

The Fifth Sunday in Lent



First Presbyterian Church Arlington

1200 South Collins St.
Arlington, TX 76010

The people gather for the Worship of God
Sunday, March 22, 2026

Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell
Lay Leader: Stephen Baker
Organist: Sandra Davis

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God,
following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

About our service

Please silence all phones and devices.

• Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your row.

• Words in **bold** are spoken by the congregation.

• § Invites all to stand in body or spirit

• Our communion grape juice is alcohol-free.

• FPCA follows the liturgical calendar. This week we begin the season of Lent. We use purple paraments to signify a solemn, forty-day season of penitence, prayer, and preparation for Easter.

• If you are a guest today, please stop by the narthex for information and a warm FPCA welcome!

Gathering

Prelude Fughetta Alexandre Guilmant

The Light of Christ

Prayer for Preparation

Holy God, by the cross and resurrection of Jesus, you lift the suffering world toward hope and transformation and open the way to eternal salvation. As we move ever closer to the passion of Christ, may your law of love be written on our hearts as he draws all people to himself, revealing your love for the world. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

Jesus said, "When I am lifted up, I will draw all people to myself."
Blessed be the God of our salvation who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

Introit Were You There African American Spiritual

§ Hymn 223 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross HAMBURG

§ Prayer of Confession

Redeeming God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, and have not loved our neighbors as we ought. We have strayed from your commandments. Do not remember our sins, but forgive our iniquities, that we may fix our eyes on you and sin no more, through Christ our Lord.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

§ Gloria Patri GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Proclaiming

Psalm 130

Responsive Reading

refrain



Lord, hear my prayer.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

refrain

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, **so that you may be revered.**

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits, and in his word I hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,

refrain

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

refrain

Children's Time

Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC).

For safety reasons, parents, must pick up their children after the service in the Children's Area.

Anthem

See What Love

Felix Mendelssohn

*See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in His goodness,
That we should be called God's own children.*

Gospel Reading

Matthew 27:45-56

New Testament page 33

Sermon

Were You There: The Centurion

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 833

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

Rhosymedre
Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble

arr. Carol Lynn Mizell

§ Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

Sending

§ Affirmation of Faith

Question 49 from The Westminster Larger Catechism

How did Christ humble himself in his death?

**Christ humbled himself in his death in that having been betrayed by Judas,
forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by
Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors, and having also struggled with the
terrors of death and the powers of darkness, he felt and bore the weight of God's
wrath and laid down his life as an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful,
and cursed death of the Cross. Amen.**

§ Hymn 441

Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccatà in D Minor

Johann Froberger



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 223

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down; did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

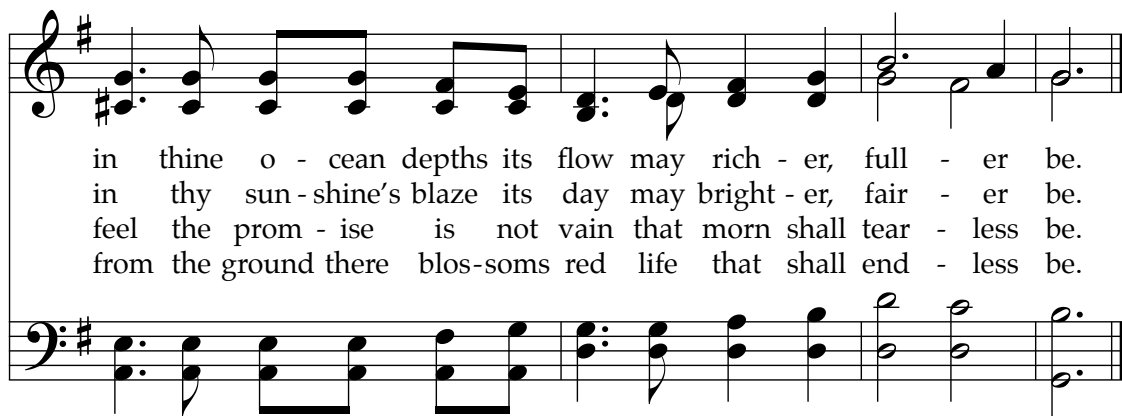
O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833



1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
flick-ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

Hear the Good News of Salvation 441

Wotanin waste nahon po

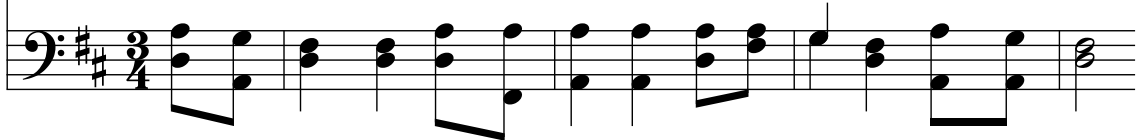


1 Hear the good news of sal - va - tion: Je - sus died to show God's love.

2 All the sins I have com - mit - ted, to my Sav - ior now I bring.

1 *Wo - tan - in wa - ste na - hon po, Je - sus he wa - i - hdu - sna:*

2 *Wo - a - hta - ni kin e - ca - mon, hdu - ha Je - sus si - ha en,*

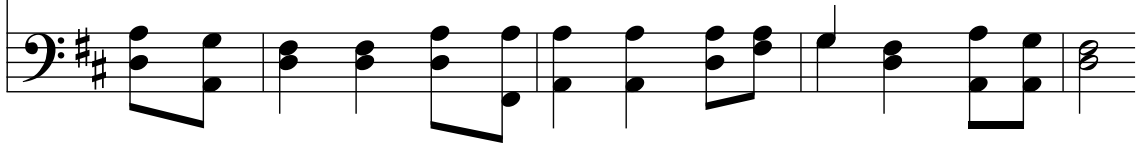


Such great kind - ness! Such great mer - cy! Come to us from heaven a - bove.

I bow down with tears of an - guish; Christ for - gives and so I sing:

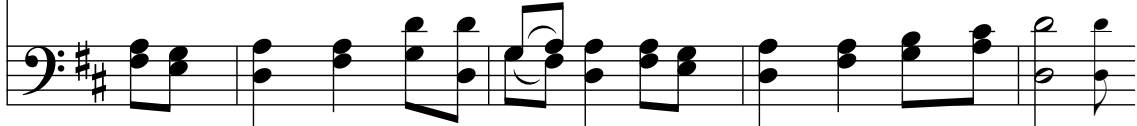
to - wa - o - si - da kin tan - ka, he de - han i - yo - ma - hi.

kun i - wa - hpa - mda wa - ce - ya, Je - sus on - si - ma - da ce.



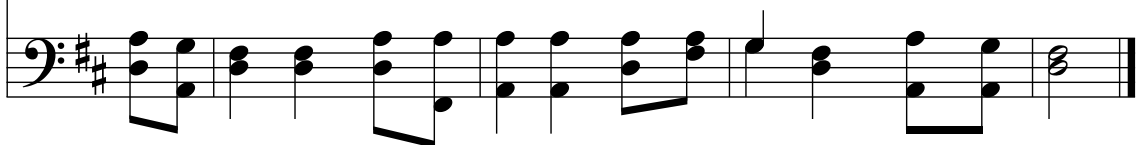
Je - sus Christ, how much I love you! Je - sus Christ, you save from sin!

Je - sus Christ wa - ste - wa - da - ka, Je - sus Christ ni - ma - yan: han, wa -



How I love you! Look up - on me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

ste - wa - da - ke a - ma - ton - we is e - ya wa - ste - ma - da.



This week:

Sunday, March 22

- Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. in classrooms
- Worship Service - 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary
- Children's and Youth Music Ministries lunch and rehearsal - 12:45 to 1:45

Tuesday, March 24

- Senior Flexibility Class - 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study - 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- HOPE Tutoring - 6:30 p.m. in room 218

Wednesday, March 25

- Men's Bible Study - 8 a.m. in the Parlor
- Quilting - 10:30 a.m. in room 204
- Ring of Praise Handbell rehearsal - 6 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal - 7 p.m.
- CWF Bible Study - 7 p.m. in the Parlor

Thursday, March 26

- Senior Flexibility Class - 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Session Meeting - 7 p.m. in the Parlor

Saturday, March 28

- Baylor A Cappella Choir performance - 7 p.m. in the sanctuary

Coming up:

Sunday, March 29

- Luncheon for Families with Children or Youth - noon in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 4

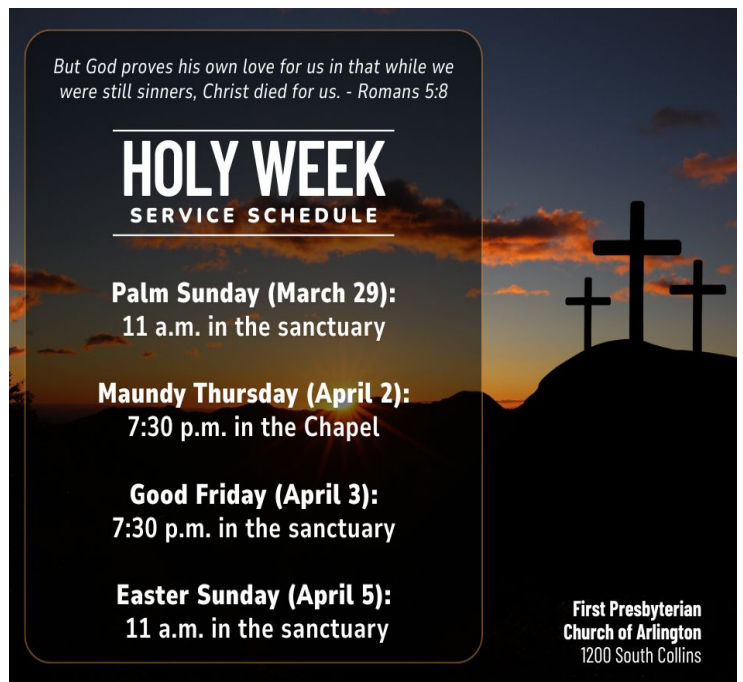
- Spring Festival - 3 p.m. on the playground

Community:



Enjoy a Night of Music
Baylor University's flagship vocal a cappella

group will perform a concert in our sanctuary Saturday, March 28 at 7 p.m. Join us for a night of world-class choral music. Admission is free.



Spring Festival will be April 4

FPCA will host our Spring Festival Saturday, April 4 from 3 to 4 p.m. on the playground. We'll have giant bubbles, an Easter Egg Hunt, and lots of fun and fellowship. Stay tuned for more details and for how you can get involved.



Get  connected:



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Prayer Ministry:

Send prayer requests to prayer@firstprestexas.org

Charles Arnold, Carol Browning, Jimmy Chefor, Judy Crowell, Cyprain Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Ivone Franzolin, Jay and Susan Graham, Nancy Guerry, Elaine Keefer, Bob and Beverly Koch, Lisa Landolt, Margaret Landolt, Pat May, her son Tim Karnes, and her son-in-law Coleman Rouborn, Richard Price, JoAnn Quick, Carole Ray, Judy Reck, Debbie Richardson, Lisa Scrobeck, Tonya Scrobeck, the family of David Spencer, Drew Stephenson, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Sherry and Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Wolfgang Van Wie, Christopher Young

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Bettye Burdett, Madge Casselman, Judy Crowell, Margaret Fite, Bobbie Fowler, Lila Glenn, Jay and Susan Graham, Teresa Hanson, Marcia Rober, Ann Scarr, Becky Speck, Leonard and Mary Jane Tibbetts, Dee Uhri, Biddie Walker

Pray for those who do not know Christ.

If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate Jim Shroyer at 682.445.0155 or jim@firstprestexas.org.

Order your Easter lily

Help celebrate the resurrection of Jesus by ordering an Easter lily. Lily orders can be dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one. Order envelopes are available in the narthex. Place completed forms in the offering plate, bring it to the church office, or click on the link in the E-News. The cost is \$14 each. Deadline for ordering lilies is Sunday, March 29.

Join us for Easter Breakfast

The Fellowship Team invites you to the Easter Morning breakfast April 5 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be serving home-cooked breakfast casseroles, fruit, and more. Everyone is invited!

Blood Drive scheduled for April 19

We need your type! Join us and donate at our blood drive with Carter BloodCare on Sunday, April 19. The drive will take place in Fellowship Hall from 9:45 to noon. Click on the link in this week's E-News to sign up and schedule your appointment.



VBS Registration now open

This summer's VBS will be held June 1 through 5 from 9 a.m. to noon for children aged four through sixth graders. Scan the QR code

for the Kingdom Quest VBS 2026 registration to register, or check the E-News for the link.

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