

**Third Sunday in Lent**  
**Offterdinger-Williamson Preaching Series**

March 4, 2018

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude** Reflections D. Paxton

**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Minute for Missions**

Meals on Wheels

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace; approach our God, who is full of mercy.

All: **We will praise God with all our hearts and glorify the name of God forever.**

**\*Hymn #461**

**God is Here!**

**Litany for Lent**

O Christ, out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace. You are our eternal hope; you are patient and full of mercy; you are generous to all who call upon you. **Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, fountain of life and holiness, you have taken away our sins. On the cross you were wounded for our transgressions and were bruised for our iniquities. **Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, obedient unto death, source of all comfort, our life and our resurrection, our peace and our reconciliation: **Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, Savior of all who trust you, hope of all who die for you, and joy of all the saints: **Save us, Lord.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us peace.**

**God of love, as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us, so may we give ourselves to you, living according to your holy will. Keep our feet firmly in the way where Christ leads us; make our mouths speak the truth that Christ teaches us; fill our bodies with the life that is Christ within us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**Kyrie**

**Lord Have Mercy**

(Kyrie Eleison)



Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy on — me.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Gloria Patri**

Hymn #579

*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, Amen.*

**\*Lighting the Peace Candle and Sharing the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ**

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Children's Moment** (11:00)

Kathleen Lifsey

Following our time together, children ages 3 & 4 are invited to participate in Worship Workshop in Room 1, which is located on the Ground Floor beside the High School Youth Room. Children in Kindergarten and 1st grade are invited to participate in Gateways to Worship in Room 101, located on the Main Floor, between the Library and the Chapel.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading:** Psalm 51:1-12

**"Clean Hearts and the Sin-Tragedy Tension"**

Dr. Samuel Adams

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn #350**

**Fill My Cup**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,**

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

**With believers in every time and place,**

**we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory Anthem**

**Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake**

R. Farrant/ J. Hilton

**\*Doxology**

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

Hymn #592

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Celebrating the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

**WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE**

**\*Hymn #466**

**O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Prelude and Fugue in A Minor BWV 543**

J. S. Bach

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

### Sunday, March 4

- 8:45 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 a.m. Coffee/ OW Preaching Series (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:55 a.m. Faith Mountain (K- 5<sup>th</sup>) (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. KidMin (Room 126 and Room 1)
- 5:00 p.m. MS Youth Group (FH/MS Youth Room)
- 6:00 p.m. OW Preaching Series/ Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 p.m. HS Youth Group (HS Youth Room)
- 6:45 p.m. OW Preaching Series (Fellowship Hall)

### Monday, March 5

- 10:00 a.m. PW Coordinating Meeting (Library)
- 10:30 a.m. Marys and Marthas (HS Youth Room)
- 12:45 p.m. BIG 4 Life
- 4:30 p.m. Care and Nurture Committee (Officers' Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Community Bible Study (Martin-Gifford)

### Tuesday, March 6

- 9:30 a.m. PW Young & Not So Young Circle (Library)
- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Bride's Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee (Library)
- 6:00 p.m. Communications Committee (Martin-Gifford)
- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

### Wednesday, March 7

- 12:00 p.m. Praying in Lent (Chapel)
- 12:30 p.m. Al-Anon (Room 126)
- 5:30 p.m. Service & Outreach Committee (Officers' Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Spiritual Growth Committee (Martin-Gifford)

### Thursday, March 8

- 7:00 a.m. Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study (Martin-Gifford)
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Bride's Room)
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Ringers (Bell Room)
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

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**Pastor on Call:** Peter Thompson (336) 269-7270

**Members Helping Members for March:** Gay Tucker 384-5991 and Janice Barrett 384-2546.

**Called Congregational Meeting:** The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for next Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> following 11 am Worship. There are two purposes for this meeting: 1. To Elect the Nominating Committee for 2018 and 2. Approve Terms of Call for Rev. Peter Thompson and Rev. Chad McCain, as required by Presbytery annually.

**The Leonard Scholarship,** a four-year school grant, is available to active members of certain local Presbyterian (PCUSA) churches. Applicants must attend accredited colleges, universities and theological institutions. Contact [office@fpclly.org](mailto:office@fpclly.org) or Ann at 384-6231 to request an application package. Deadline is the first Monday of May 2018.

**Single Adult Fellowship:** will meet for lunch on March 11 at Red Lobster. Meet at the restaurant by 12:30 p.m.

**Easter Flowers:** The Chancel Guild is requesting donations of \$15, **In Memory of:** or **In Honor of:**, in the place of the pots of flowers traditionally purchased and then taken home. The Chancel Guild will use these donations to purchase cut flowers for the beautiful Easter arrangements in our church. Please Sign-up in the Front Hall on the Clipboard if you are interested in a Memorial or Honorarium to someone. The list of donations will be published in the Easter Bulletin. Deadline to sign up is Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Sister Stories:** Presbyterian Women presents Sister Stories on March 18<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 and we encourage all to sign-up in the Foyer. This year's story tellers are Noel Thomas and Barrett Thompson.



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