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AND
I will

Watch me!



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Worship... Service of the Lord's Day

March 6, 2022

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Children are welcome and encouraged to remain in Worship. If needed, Nursery (in Room 8) is available for children under 3. Please ask an usher or greeter if you need any assistance locating the Nursery.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude **More Love to Thee, O Christ** A. Giamanco

Bell Introit **What Wondrous Love is This** D. Wagner
Chancel Ringers

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn #87: The Glory of These Forty Days** Erhalt Uns, Herr

*The glory of these forty days
We celebrate with songs of praise;
For Christ, by whom all things were made,
Himself has fasted and has prayed.*

*Alone and fasting Moses saw
The loving God who gave the law;
And to Elijah, fasting, came
The steeds and chariots of flame.*

*So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
Delivered from the lions' might;
And John, the Bridegroom's friend, became
The herald of Messiah's name.*

*Then grant that we like them be true,
Consumed in fast and prayer with You;
Our spirits strengthen with Your grace,
And give us joy to see Your face.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

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. 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. You are the source of all comfort, our life and our resurrection, our peace and reconciliation. Save us, Lord. You are Savior to all who trust you, hope of all who die for you, and joy of all the saints. Save us, Lord. You are the Lamb of God. You are the bearer of our sins. You are the redeemer of the world. Have mercy on us and grant us peace.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Choral Reflection

When Jesus Wept

W. Billings

*When Jesus wept, a falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound.
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

All: **In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*Affirmation of Faith: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment

Kathleen Lifsey

After the Children's Moment, children 4yo-2nd graders are invited to participate in a combined Worship Workshop and Gateways to Worship experience in Room 1 to learn more about the practices and purpose of worship.

Choral Anthem

God So Loved the World

J. Stainer

*God so loved the world, That He gave His only begotten Son,
That who so believeth in Him Should not perish But have everlasting life.
God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world.
But that the world through Him might be saved.*

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading: Matthew 7:24-27

(pew Bible NT, p. 7)

"I Can and I Will: Stand"

Peter Thompson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Minute for Mission: Presbyterian Women

Call to Offering

Offertory

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross *Chancel Ringers*

D. Wagner

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

*Hymn: Standing on the Promises

Promises

*Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Through eternal ages let His praises ring,
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.*

*Refrain: Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Savior;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.*

*Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God. Refrain*

*Standing on the promises I now can see
Perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me;
Standing in the liberty where Christ makes free,
Standing on the promises of God. Refrain*

*Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God. Refrain*

*Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God. Refrain*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

Twofold Amen

C. Franck

Postlude

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

L. Smith

Share the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

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Worship, Grow, Love, Serve

+2 Welcome, Gathering, & Praise - TONIGHT @ 4:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

+ 2 Workshops for ALL ages – TONIGHT @ 5:00 p.m.

Workshops immediately follow Welcome, Gathering, & Praise

Service of the Lord's Day Worship: Lent - Next Sunday, March 13 @ 10:30 am – Sanctuary, Video, Radio

Faith & Life Discussion Group - Sunday mornings, 9:00 a.m. (time change)

Leaders are Katy & Chal Nunn

Discussions on contemporary issues. Scripture and contemporary texts will be used.

Zoom Only: zoom.us Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 986 7239 9804 Passcode: 4PiFjP

Adult Bible Class - Sunday mornings, 9:15 to 10:10 a.m.

Leaders are Beth and Gary Williams

New series! Expand our understanding of God's promise to free us from anxiety and fear through the scriptures. The class will also use Max Lucado's book "*Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World.*"

Zoom Option: zoom.us Meeting ID: 863 5324 3600 Passcode: 335664

Walk with God - Sundays @ 4:00 p.m.

Leaders are Noel and Bob Thomas

Devotion and 45-minute walk on Peakland Place - All level of walkers welcome!!

College Cares - Sunday evenings @ 6:00 p.m.

Leader is Marcia Thom-Kaley, Director of Educational Ministries

A weekly gathering of young adults meeting to discuss spiritual challenges and opportunities presented by growing into independence on a college campus. Upper teens – to mid-twenties are welcome to join!

Immerse Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 10:00 a.m.

Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson, Senior Pastor

Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other sisters and brothers in Christ! (Zoom available)

Zoom Option: zoom.us Meeting ID: 871 1930 5941 Passcode: 687683

Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study - Thursdays @ 7:00 a.m.

Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson, Senior Pastor

Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other brothers in Christ! (Zoom available)

Zoom Option: zoom.us Meeting ID: 840 2716 9088 Passcode: 883182

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

Members Helping Members for March: Jenny Osinga (434) 426-1675 and Betsy Jones (434) 384-7633

Prayer Chain, Prayer Shawls, Cards of Encouragement: Email peter@fpcly.org or stroudiane@comcast.net

Receptionist/Greeters Needed: Smiling faces are needed at the front door to help direct phone calls and greet visitors during the week. Flexible 3-hour shifts. Please contact Karen Wydner (434) 384-6231 for more info.

Ushers Needed: Help welcome your fellow congregation members on Sunday mornings and at occasional special events throughout the year. Please contact Donnie Ore or Karen Wydner if interested in helping.

G. Rudolph Leonard Scholarship: 2022 applications are now available to active members of First Presbyterian for full-time undergraduate and graduate studies. Please contact Karen Wydner at office@fpcly.org for the electronic application and requirements. All application materials must be received by 3 p.m. Friday, May 6, 2022, to be considered.

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