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AND
I will

Watch me!



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Worship... Service of the Lord's Day

March 13, 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

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

American Folk Hymn

Choral Introit

What Wondrous Love Is This

Traditional

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn #376: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

*Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.*

*Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit, Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit, Let us find that second rest;
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.*

*Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.*

*Finish, then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

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

Kyrie: Hymn #572

Kyrie

Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

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

A New Commandment

M. Archer

*Love one another as I have loved you.
A new commandment I give you now that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this will all people know you are my friends if you love one another as I loved you.
Love one another as I have loved you.
The love I give you the world will receive if you love one another as I loved you.*

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading: I John 4:7-18

(pew Bible NT, p. 241)

"I Can and I Will: Love"

Kathleen Lifsey

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #339: Be Thou My Vision**

Irish Ballad

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Minute for Education: College Care Packages

Call to Offering

Offertory

Concerto in C Minor: Adagio Molto Espressivo

J. C. Bach

Thomas Cass, Viola

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**

Amen

Traditional

Postlude

The Longer I Serve Him

William J. Gaither

Share the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

Worship Leader: Lanie Thompson

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Worship, Grow, Love, Serve

+2 Welcome, Gathering, & Praise - TONIGHT @ 4:30 p.m. – Sanctuary
Alternative worship opportunity with contemporary music and sermonette

+ 2 Workshops for Children ages 0 to 5th Grade - TONIGHT @ 5:00 p.m.

Nursery for 0 to 3 years available from 4 to 6 pm

Workshops for ages 4 years to 5th grade immediately follow Welcome, Gathering, & Praise

New +2 Workshop - Exploring Prayer - Every Sunday evening in Lent

Leaders Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson and Kathleen Lifsey

Preacher and creative writer, Ted Loder, defines prayer as “putting your heart in your mouth.” Prayer is more than eyes closed, hands clasped, and reverent words. Prayer can take many forms! Join Peter and Kathleen in an exploration of your heart as experienced through acts of prayer. Whether you are a middle school youth, a high school youth, or an adult, intentional times of prayer will be provided individually and collectively. May our conversations with God begin!

Service of the Lord's Day Worship: Lent - Next Sunday, March 6 @ 10:30 am - Sanctuary, Video, Radio

Music Mondays - March 21 & April 4 @ 12:00 p.m. - Sanctuary

Experience the beauty of live musical reflection in the Sanctuary by engaging in these musical offerings during Lent. Each musical offering will feature unique performances by local musicians.

Lenten Prayer Services - Wednesdays (March 9 – April 13) @ 12:00 p.m. - Chapel

A 30-minute service of prayer, reflection, and connection with God.

Presbyterian Women's Cleaning Supply Drive for Interfaith Outreach

Throughout the month of March, we are collecting cleaning supplies for Interfaith Outreach. Our goal is to collect 25 of each of the following items: brooms, dustpans, mops, buckets, floor cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, and toilet brushes. A collection area will be available in the church foyer beginning March 1.

FPCLY weekly Bible Studies and Walk with God will continue at their normally scheduled times through Palm Sunday. Please view the calendar at www.fpclly.org or call the church office for more information.

Presbyterian Women Circles - Monday, March 14 @ 10:00 a.m.

Horizons Circle - Martin-Gifford Room

Book Circle - *The Book of Longings*, by Susan Monk Kidd - Library

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

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

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@fpclly.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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Lent Offerings

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Worship Sermon Series

I Can and I Will: Standing on the Promises of God

This Lenten and Easter season we will be exploring, discovering, and growing through experiences of worship and proclamation focused on God's repeated declaration, "I can, and I will!" The promises of God to God's people have endured and remained steadfast from the beginning of time and creation. We can trust God. We can have hope in God. We can count on God to deliver. For God is steadfast, powerful, strong, just, and loving. Together, let us all stand on the promises of God.



Sundays, March 6, 13, 20, & 27 and April 3 & 10

10:30am

in-person in the Sanctuary, via livestream (fpclly.org), and on 105.9FM

Musical Offerings for Lent

Experience the beauty of musical reflection in the Sanctuary by engaging in musical offerings on three Mondays in Lent. Each musical offering will feature unique performances by local musicians.

Mondays, March 7 & 21 and April 4

12pm, Sanctuary

Lenten Prayer Services

Come to the Chapel on Wednesdays during Lent for a 30-minute service of prayer, reflection, and connection with God as we draw near to Him and stand firm on His faithful promises.

Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, & 30 and April 6 & 13

12pm, Chapel



A look ahead to Holy Week

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| April 10 | Palm Sunday Worship, 10:30am
Holy Week Walk thru the Scriptures, 4:30pm |
| April 14 | Maundy Thursday Seder Meal, 5:30pm |
| April 15 | Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7pm |
| April 17 | Easter Sunday Worship, three services: 7am, 10:30am, & 4pm |

EDUCATION

Lent in a Box (LIAB)

LIAB is an at-home weekly Lenten devotional focused on prayer-helping you grow closer to God through prayer this season! All the materials, scriptures, and prayer activities are included in the box for you to explore each week leading up to Easter!

Contact Kathleen Lifsey or Marcia Thom-Kaley to get your kit today!



Exploring Prayer +2 WORKSHOP: Adults AND Youth

We are excited to offer an intergenerational workshop for adults and youth (middle and high school) called "*Exploring Prayer*." Kathleen and Peter will take us on a new journey exploring the many facets and forms of prayer and its power to transform our hearts and our relationship with God!

+2 WORKSHOPS: Children (Nursery thru Elementary)

Children will continue to have the opportunity to explore bible stories, prayer and God's promises through music, art, storytelling, and play this season!

Sundays, March 6, 13, 20, & 27 and April 3 & 10

Gathering and Praise at 4:30pm

Workshops start at 5pm

OUTREACH

Cleaning Supply Drive for Interfaith Outreach sponsored by PW

One way we can draw nearer to God is through acts of service and love to others; after all, Christ is the greatest example of a servant! Throughout Lent, we are collecting

- brooms and dustpans
- mops and buckets
- floor cleaner and toilet cleaner
- toilet bowl brushes

Our goal is 25 of EACH item! Donation bins will be available in the main entrance foyer throughout Lent! **Contact Alex Collier for more information!**

We have over 30 college students in our FPCLY family spread near and far. Our College Cares ministry would like to send them Easter boxes to remind them their church family is thinking of them! *On Sunday, March 13th, we invite you to take an Easter egg from the Narthex with a college student's name written inside and prepare a care package for him/her; boxes and a suggestion list of fun things will be provided! Completed boxes must be returned to the church by Sunday, April 10 for timely mailing!*

Contact Marcia Thom-Kaley, Mary Burger, or Jackie Hill with any questions!

Easter Boxes of Love for Our College Students

