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*We invite you to stand as able.

~The Gathering~

Greeting Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded Tami Newsom, organ Mendelssohn

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CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you are our God;

our souls thirst for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

We have looked upon you in the sanctuary;

we have seen your power and glory.

Our lips will praise you as long as we live;

we lift up our hearts and call on your name. Let us worship God!

*HYMN #298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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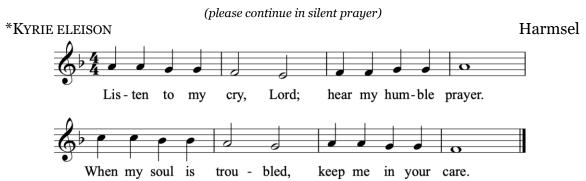
*CALL TO CONFESSION

*Prayer of Confession

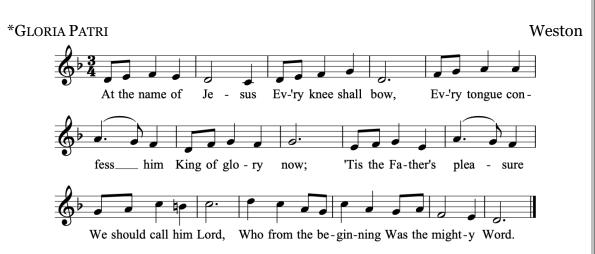
Merciful God, we confess that we have been quick to judge others and slow to make changes in our own lives.

We confess that we have focused on others' shortcomings instead reforming our own.

Turn us, O Lord, from these ways that lead to perishing. Lead us, O Lord, in your ways that lead to abundant life.



*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS



*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

~The Word~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Scott McKinney

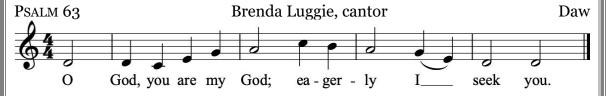
God of all times and places, be with us here and now. As we read from and reflect on Scripture, may your Holy Spirit move among us that we might hear your Word. In Jesus' name, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 55:1-2

[Pew Bible pg. 685]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water. Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place that I might behold your power and your glory. **(R)**

For our loving-kindness is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise. So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your Name. **(R)**

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the night watches. **(R)**

For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. **(R)** SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 7:36-50

[Pew Bible pg. 66]

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

"In Appreciation"

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith (adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

THE ANTHEM

O Day of Peace Brenda Luggie, soprano Portman

CALL FOR THE OFFERING



You can use the QR code to give online or place your offering in the baskets located at the Sanctuary doors.

~The Eucharist~

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

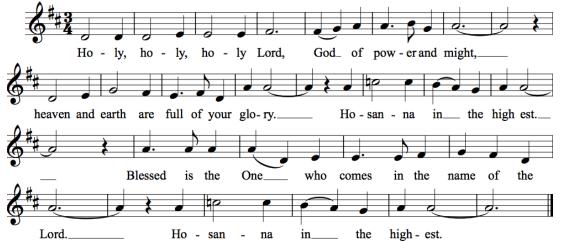
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(prayer continues)



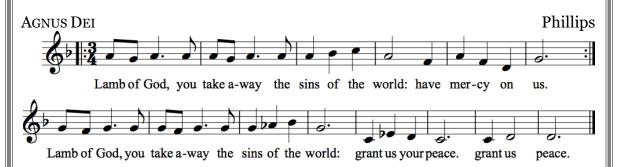




THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION



THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

~The Sending~

*HYMN #281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM Rhondda

*BENEDICTION

*Response #85

What Wondrous Love Is This

Wondrous Love

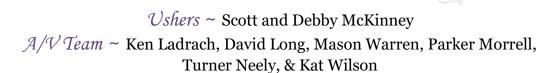
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

*Postlude

Forty Days and Forty Nights
Tami Newsom, organ

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- ■Email the office at office@fpctn.org, or
- •Sign the pew attendance pad.

Announcements

<u>Donations</u>



FPC Family Ministries is gearing up for our annual Easter Egg Hunt occurring on Sunday, April 20th, but we need YOUR help! We would greatly appreciate donations of a dozen filled plastic eggs (treats, prizes, and candy without nuts kindly requested)!

These donations can be dropped off with Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at any time between now and Sunday, April 13th. Please help us make this event a memorable one for our FPC Kids! Please contact Mason Warren for more details or with any questions!"





This PC(USA) Special Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday to support outreach programs in over 100 countries.

Each gift to ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance,

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance,
Presbyterian Hunger Program, and
Self-Development of People.

ATTENTION GOLFERS!

The 2025 FPC golf season will begin at Avalon Golf Course on April 2nd.



Tee times will start at 4:30 p.m. each Wednesday throughout the year.

The cost is \$40/person and includes 9-hole greens fee and cart.

This enjoyable group gathers at the club grill afterwards for good food, fun and fellowship. If you are interested in playing, please contact Wayne Walls for more information.



Fellowship & Events



If you would like to volunteer to help with Posies for the Pantry please contact Sharon Koch.

Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering Spring Luncheon

All FPC Women are invited to attend the luncheon, featuring speaker Shelley Binder, an avid researcher of the Titanic. Shelley grew up hearing stories about her great grandmother and great uncle who were survivors of the Titanic. She presents a very informative program with information and music.

Date: March 29, 2025

Time: 11:30am

Caterer: Apple Cake Tea Room

(Gluten-free will be offered)

Price: \$15

Tickets will be available at both 9:00 and 11:00

services today, March 23rd.

Prayers for Our Church Family

Ongoing prayers for

Pat Dail, Kathy Emmerson, Marilyn Felts, Dean Fleming, Chuck Foriska, David Greaser, Frank Guess, Dixie Heflin, David Long, Beth and Jimmy Loyless, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Buddy Wert

Specific prayers for

Sandra Bohlken in recovery from unexpected surgery Jeanie Oakley, at the loss of her brother

Angela Gibson, sister of Beth Allen, as she prepares for chemo treatments A co-worker of Bruce Wilson who is mourning the loss of her loved one who was killed in an accidental gun discharge while driving last week.

Bob Roberts, a friend of David Greaser, who has been hospitalized due to a bout with liver cancer.

Growing in Our Faith

During this season of Lent, FPC has an opportunity to experience a **Prayer Mosaic**, a collection of interactive prayer moments intended to foster our prayer lives and promote spiritual growth. You will find 7 prayer stations set up around the sanctuary, in the narthex, and in the entry near the church office. We encourage you to take a moment and pause at a prayer station. Read the framed instructions and take a moment to commune with God in a short prayer activity. This experience can be done independently, as a couple, or as a family. This can be done before worship, after worship, during church office hours, really any time the church building is open. Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate. There is no wrong way to pray, only different ways to pray. This experience invites you to find new ways to connect with God.

These prayer stations will be available through the Lent season.

Prayer Mosaic



Salt of the Earth "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again?

We Are One
Body
As brothers
and sisters in Christ
and as Presbyterians,
we value being
connectional. We
value discernment and
living out Christ's call
in community and not
in solitude.



Children & Youth Education

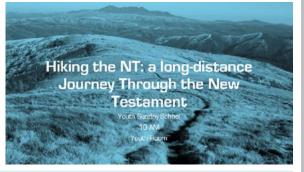


KidZone

Children ages 3-9 meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9am to learn about the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.

Join the Youth Sunday School class on Sundays at 10am in the Café as they "Hike the NT"!

Each week, youth will explore a specific book of the New Testament utilizing videos and discussion.

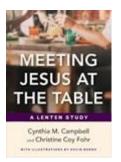


For more information, contact Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpctn.org.

Adult Education



Adult Bible Study meets in Room D at 10:00am to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.



Pastor Matt's Class is doing a Lenten study titled "Meeting Jesus at the Table" by Cynthia M. Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. Join us in the library at 10:00am.

This Week at FPC

Sun, Mar 23	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service		
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor (Café)
Mon, Mar 24	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Session/Library
Tues, Mar 25	1000	a.m.	PW Coordinating Team/Library
	11:00	a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry/Room D
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Cub Scout Leaders #444/Library
Wed, Mar 26	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	1:00	p.m.	PW Bible Study/Library
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
Thurs, Mar 27	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Pastors Lunch/Library
	12:30	p.m.	Neighborhood Book Club/Parlor
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Fri, Mar 28	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex
Sat, Mar 29	11:00	a.m.	PW Luncheon/Fellowship Hall



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"To praise God, welcome all, serve others, grow in faith, be disciples of Jesus Christ and share the Good News."



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