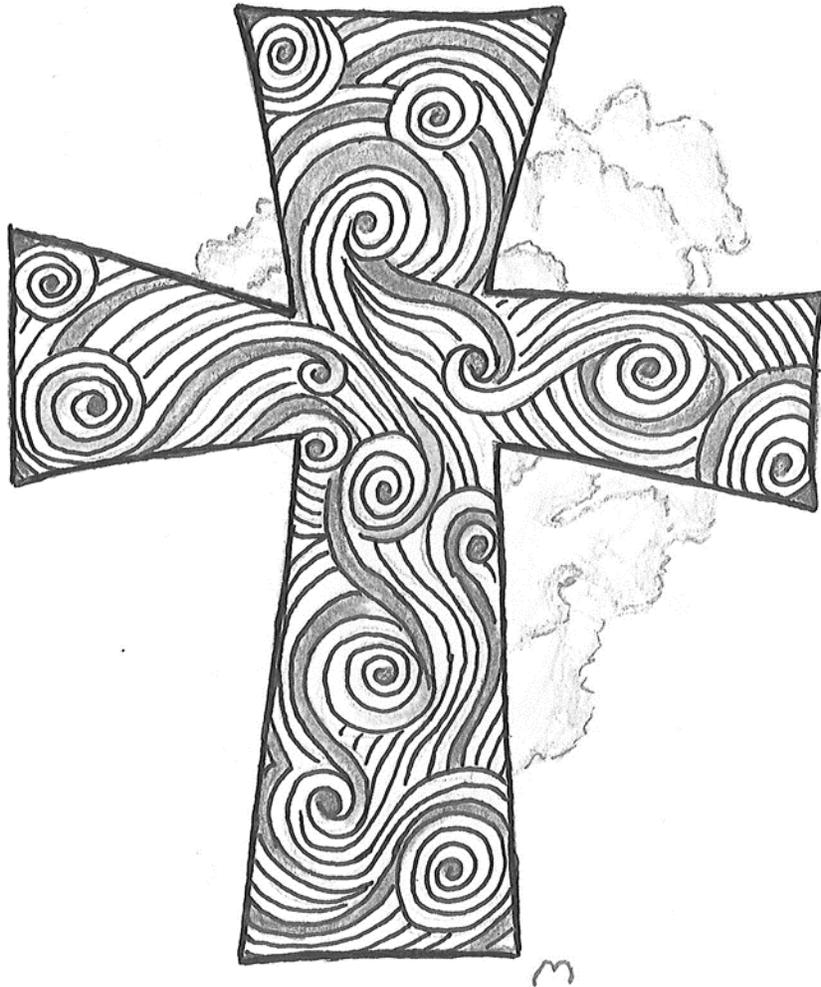


THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2019



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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Please join in
reading aloud those
parts of the
service printed in
bold.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us now prepare our hearts to worship God.

MUSIC FOR PREPARATION

Berceuse

Philippe Gaubert (1879-1941)

Linda Cykert, flute

Grace Wepner Ludtke, harp

CALL TO WORSHIP

- John 1:9-14

The Word became flesh and lived among us
and we have seen his glory.

The true light that enlightens everyone
has come into the world.

Glory to God who has blessed us in Christ.

Glory to God forever.

When this symbol ()
precedes an element
of the service, please
rise in body or spirit.*

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NO. 665

As Morning Dawns

WAREHAM

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*We lay before God
our own sins,
the sins and
brokenness of our
fellow worshippers,
the church universal,
and the world.*

*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.

The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.

The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor
and nation against nation.

We abuse the good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.

Shine your light into our darkened hearts.

In your great compassion,
cleansing us from our sin.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

SOUTHWELL

Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin. From
 earth - born pas - sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 5th century; trans. Allen W. Chatfield, 1876, alt.
As found at Hymn No. 417, *Glory to God* hymnal

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

Hear the good news of sal - va - tion: Je - sus died to show God's love.
 Such great kind - ness! Such great mer - cy! Come to us from heaven a - bove.
 Je - sus Christ, how much I love you! Je - sus Christ, you save from sin!
 How I love you! Look u - pon me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

Text: Native American, vers. Jane Parker Huber, 1989.
As found at Hymn No. 441, *Glory to God* hymnal.

***PASSING THE PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The astoundingly good news of our reconciliation to God through Jesus Christ frees our tongues to sing mighty praise to God.

We exchange reconciling words and gestures among the people of God.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

*Large Print Pew Bible, pages 780-781
Pew Bible, page 638*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 27: 1-6

setting by Jacques Berthier (Taizé) and Hal H. Hopson

The psalm refrain is sung at the direction of the cantor.

Refrain

The Lord is my light, my light and sal - va - tion; in God I trust, in God I trust.

*We listen for what
God is saying to
God's people
through scripture,
song, and sermon.*

GOSPEL READING: John 1:1-9

*Large Print Pew Bible, page 111
Pew Bible, page 91*

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

LUX: *The Dawn from on High*

Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

Chancel Choir

Dan Callaway, tenor Patty Philipps, soprano

I. Illuminare

*Per viscera misericordiae
Dei nostri
in quibus visitavit
nos oriens ex alto
illuminare his qui in tenebris
et in umbra mortis sedent
ad dirigendos pedes nostros
in viam pacis.
Lux ex alto,
veni nos illuminare.*

(based on Luke 1:78-79)

*Lux de luce apparuisti Christe,
cui Magi munera offerunt,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

(Antiphon for Epiphany, 14th century)

By the mercy of our God
the dawn from on high
will break upon us,
to give light to those
who sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet
into the way of peace.
Light from on high,
come illumine us.

You appeared as Light from light,
O Christ, to whom
the Magi offered gifts,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

II. Lux in Tenebris

*Lux fulgebit hodie super nos,
quia natus est nobis Dominus.*

(Introit for Christmas Dawn, 10th century)

*Lux in tenebris lucet
et tenebrae eam non superaverunt.*

(John 1:5)

A light will shine on us today,
for the Lord is born unto us.

The light shines in darkness;
and the darkness has not overcome it.

III. The Sun Never Says

Even
After
All this time

The sun never says to the earth,

“You owe
Me.”

Look
What happens
With a love like that,
It lights the
Whole
Sky.

*(Daniel Ladinsky, from "The Gift",
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IV. Gloria in excelsis

*Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax.
(from Luke 2:14)*

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace.

V. Creator of the Stars of Night

Creator of the stars of night,
Thy people's everlasting Light,
O Christ, Thou Savior of us all,
now hear Thy servants when they call.

*Creator alme siderum
aeterna lux credentium
Christe redemptor omnium
exaudi voces supplicum.*

O Blest Creator of the light,
Who made the day with radiance bright,
and o'er the newborn world did call
the light from darkness first of all.

When the whole world drew on toward night,
Thou camest, not in splendor bright
as sovereign, but the humble Child
of Mary, virgin mother mild.

To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
laud, honor, might, and glory be
from age to age eternally. Amen.

(7th century chant, various translations)

(. . . It lights the Whole Sky. . .)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

- The Nicene Creed

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Our response to
hearing God's
Word includes
singing and saying
what we believe.*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

ACTS OF GIVING AND RECEIVING

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Andantino for Cello and Harp

Jack Jarrett (b. 1938)

Karl Ronnevik, cello
Grace Wepner Ludtke, harp

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;



Praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN – No. 689

When the Morning Stars Together

WEISSE FLAGGEN

Ronald L. Shive, D. Min., Pastor
Taylor Barner, M. Div., Associate Pastor for Student Ministries
Norman Whitney, M. Div., Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
J. Patrick Murphy, M. Mus., Organist-Choirmaster
Charlotte Allbright, C.C.E., Church Educator
Matthew Walton, 8:30 a.m. Liturgist
Hal Bates, 11:00 a.m. Liturgist

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Sarah Womack, violin
Karl Ronnevik, cello
Linda Cykert, flute
Anna Lampidis, oboe
Kate Hopper, horn
Grace Wepner Ludtke, harp
Erin Studstill Lopp, percussion
Jim Brandt, percussion
W. Thomas Jones, organ

Undesignated offerings today support the Music Fund of First Presbyterian Church. This Fund makes possible services of music and guest musicians throughout the year. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

God blesses and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us this Sunday. We hope in this service you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring family of faith. Please take a moment to sign our friendship register when it is passed to you. If you are visiting with us and in search of a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family here at First Presbyterian Church. Please let us know of your interest by way of the friendship register, or by speaking to one of our ministers.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS: Copies of today's hymns are available in the Narthex.

HEARING LOOP: The Sanctuary is fitted with a Hearing Loop system. Please switch your hearing device to T-coil. If you need a listening device, please contact one of our ushers.



COVER ART: The crosses found on the cover of the worship bulletins throughout the season of Lent were created by members of the congregation during a Zentangle workshop on March 5, 2019. The facilitator was Julie Gvillo, founder and director of A Place of Grace. You may learn more about praying through art by visiting www.zentangle.com and www.aplaceofgrace-juliegvillo.net.

IN THIS SEASON OF LENT, YOU MAY NOTE THESE: During this season, it is our practice to remove *alleluias* from worship (they will reappear on Easter Sunday). The Doxology (response to the offering) will be sung to the tune OLD HUNDREDTH. In addition, a Psalm appointed for the day will be sung. These psalm settings may be responsorial, that is between a cantor and the congregation, choral (sung only by the choir), or metrical, as in the form of a hymn. Also, no closing voluntaries will be offered. Finally, it will be noticed that floral arrangements will not be used in the Chancel during Lent, but rather arrangements of bare branches, which offer us a stark reminder that Lent is a season of penitence and reflection.

APRIL FRIENDSHIP GROUP Join us for a musical feast with clarinetist Mark Payne as he brings us tunes old and new! You might even get to sing along!. And join us for a Spring Picnic with Grill Master Zack Touloupas, from the world famous Zack's, all for \$5.00! Great fellowship, great friendship, good laughter, and tasty food – what more might you desire? Join us on Thursday, April 18 at 11:00 a.m. in the John Knox Room.

FEED THE HUNGRY: This month we are collecting canned meat and drink mixes.

FIRST PRESS UPDATE: As we are now emailing *First Press* (monthly newsletter), you will not be receiving a paper copy in your mailbox this month. There are some copies in the narthex and outside the church office. If you are on the email list, you will be receiving *First Press* by email. It will also be linked to our weekly eblast, in our website archives, in the website newsfeed, and linked to a Facebook post.

THE 508 PARTNERSHIP POETRY group will continue their conversation around *Black Lives Matter*. We will meet at 12:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian in Room 203 on Tuesday, April 9. For more information, please contact Frank Covington or Charlotte Allbright.

IN MEMORIAM

DOANE HERRING WARREN

May 28, 1924 - March 28, 2019

“I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.”

John 11:25

Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL – Sanctuary – Sunday, April 14

All are invited to gather on the plaza in front of the sanctuary twenty minutes before each worship service. Scripture reading, blessing of the palms, and ringing bells will draw us into worship and celebrate Christ's entry into Jerusalem.

LENTEN WEDNESDAY WORSHIP: During the season of Lent, a worship service will be held in Williams Chapel each Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. These 30-minute services will be led by clergy within our congregation and staff, and will include hymns, prayers, scripture, and a homily. We hope you will make these a part of your Lenten discipline this year.

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION AND TENEBRAE SERVICE – 7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary – Thursday, April 18

On this night, we remember and celebrate the final supper Jesus shared with his disciples. This service will close with tenebrae, meaning "shadows," an ancient tradition in which light fades into darkness.

EASTER SUNDAY – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary – Sunday, April 21

On this day celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we join with the community of believers in every time and place as the Gospel is proclaimed, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is shared, and hymns and anthems are sung, accompanied by brass, timpani and organ.

EASTER SUNDAY FLOWERING THE CROSS: Bring fresh flowers of the season on April 21 to "flower the cross," which will be planted in the Davis Street lawn.

EASTER SUNDAY ANNUAL BUTTERFLY RELEASE: – Sunday, April 21

The Children's Ministry Committee will host the annual Butterfly Release on the front lawn at 10:40 a.m. All are invited to join us as we celebrate the Resurrection through the symbolism of the butterfly.

EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies for use in the sanctuary may be ordered as memorial or honorary flowers (\$27 each). Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and mark "Easter Lilies". The deadline to order is April 14, 2019. Please fill in the order form below and include with your payment. Please contact the church (336-228-1703) if you have questions.

EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM:

In Memory of _____

Donor _____

In Honor of _____

Donor _____

CALENDAR

April 7- 13

Sunday, April 7

8:30 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. Welcome Center Opens
9:30 a.m. Choir Breakfast – Witherspoon Room
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation for Adults and Children
10:45 a.m. Session meets for prayer – Room 201
11:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
Noon Session Retreat – Calvin Hall
Noon Liturgical Arts Guild Meets – Room 229
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
5:00 p.m. Carol and Covenant Choirs Rehearse
6:00 p.m. PW Circle #1 – John Knox Room

Monday, April 8

10:00 a.m. PW Circle #2 – The home of Margaret Beatty
10:00 a.m. PW Circle #3 – John Knox Room
2:00 p.m. Furniture Ministry Committee Meets – Room 122

Tuesday, April 9

6:45 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
7:45 a.m. High School Dough Devotions – Biscuitville on S. Church St.
9:00 a.m. Lent for Prayer Art – Room 122
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
Noon Book Club – John Knox Room
5:30 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 17 – Garrison Joyner Activities Building
7:00 p.m. PW Circle #4 – John Knox Room

Wednesday, April 10

7:00 a.m. High School Dough Devotions – Skid's in Elon
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
11:30 a.m. Wednesday Lenten Worship Service – Williams Chapel
6:00 p.m. BSA Cub Scout 17 – Garrison Joyner Activities Building
6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 11

6:45 a.m. Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
10:00 a.m. Andrews Snack Packing Party – Witherspoon Room

Saturday April 13

9:00 a.m. Furniture Ministry Workday

Minister on Call: April 5-7 Taylor Barner (412-613-0835)