

## THE NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

For one more Sunday you will find a registration form in this bulletin to indicate your intention to participate in **Lenten Wednesday Nights**. This is a wonderful time for intentional participation for spiritual growth. Dinner will be served as usual this Wednesday night, beginning at 5:45, and then we will have a choir-led **Ash Wednesday Service** at the usual class time of 6:30. On the following Wednesdays the usual schedule will prevail.

### Today's Schedule - February 26

- 7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
- 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
- 9:30 a.m. - Youth Choir
- 9:45 a.m. - Alleluia Singers (Children's S.S. Class begins at 9:55.)
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- 12:10 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m. - L.I.F.E. Youth Group

### Monday

- 7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers

### Wednesday - Wednesday Night Live Schedule

- 4:45 p.m. - Alleluia Chimes
- 5:45 p.m. - Dinner in Wilbanks Hall
- 6:30 p.m. - **Ash Wednesday Service in the Sanctuary**
- 7:30 p.m. - Deacons Meeting

### Next Sunday - March 5

- 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. - Youth Choir
- 9:45 a.m. - Alleluia Singers (Children's S.S. Class begins at 9:55.)
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- 12:15 p.m. - Youth Bells
- 5:00 p.m. - L.I.F.E. Youth Group
- 6:00 p.m. - Church Night Dinner

An audio copy of both **today's sermon** and recent sermons may be found on the church website [fpcmesquite.org](http://fpcmesquite.org). From the home page menu, select the *worship* tab, then *sermon audio*, and then choose the sermon you wish.

### THOSE WHO SERVE

*Harry C. Meissner—Interim Pastor*  
*Casey McCollough—Director of Music*  
*B. J. Mauldin—Organist/Keyboard Musician*  
*Renee Stormer—Administrative Assistant*  
*Thomas G. Wilbanks—Pastor Emeritus*



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Transfiguration of the Lord

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

### Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

*We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Large print hymnals or music sheets are available from an usher. Let us worship God!*

### STRIKING THE HOUR OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY                      *When Morning Gilds the Skies*                      Dale Wood

CHORAL INTROIT              *We Are Standing on Holy Ground*                      Ceron Davis  
Casey McCollough (8:45), Chancel Choir (11:00)

*Then, after the song has been sung through once,  
the congregation is invited to rise\* to sing it through a second time.*

**We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around;  
let us praise— Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.**

\*GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP                      *Philippians 1:2, Psalm 106:1*  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And also with you.**

A voice said: This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

\*HYMN 267    *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*RESPONSE (*Hymn 581*)    *Glory Be to the Father*  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and forever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, amen.**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

*Please find and sign the Registration of Attendance pad and pass it to others on the same pew, so that we may have a record of your attendance at this service. If you are visiting today, we hope you will provide contact information, especially your email address, so that we may share more about the program and activities of this congregation.*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

OLD TESTAMENT READING # *(Pew Bible, p. 70 OT)* Exodus 24:12-18

NEW TESTAMENT READING # *(Pew Bible, p. 18 NT)* Matthew 17:1-9

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM + *I Will Greatly Rejoice* Allen Pote  
Chancel Choir

## A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*At the 11:00 service, when this time is concluded, children pre-school through 2nd grade are invited to join the leader to go to children's church. The rest may return to sit with their family in the sanctuary.*

*The following hymn is new in this hymnal and to this congregation. The tune, however, is familiar. Relatively few of us read music, but all of us can read words, so with a familiar tune we ought to get on thus fine with this hymn that reflects the theme of the day.*

\*HYMN 193 *Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain*

SERMON *Transfiguration—A Second Look* Harry C. Meissner

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SILENT PRAYER, CONCLUDING PRAYER

## 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.**

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Joy* Douglas Wagner  
Youth Bell Choir

\*DOXOLOGY *(Hymn 606)*

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION\*\*

\*HYMN 263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE + *Farewell, Good Friends* Hebrew Blessing  
Chancel Choir

VOLUNTARY *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* Dale Wood

## OUR INVITATION

*Every service of worship invites us to consider our relationship to Jesus Christ and to his church. If you are not vitally involved in some community of faith, perhaps this congregation is the place where you can worship, find fellowship, grow, and share in our mission and witness to the world. If you would like to discuss this important matter, please indicate your interest on the registration of attendance pad or speak to the minister following the service.*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

# Elder - (8:45) Beverlee Witty, (11:00) Nathan Edling  
\*\* Deacon - (8:45) Estle Powell, (11:00) Anita Campbell  
Acolyte - Julia Mauldin (11:00)