

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, March 27

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast and Prayer Meeting
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
 6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Dinner & Program (Mission Themed)

Monday, March 28

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Wednesday, March 30

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Sunday, April 3 - Communion at both services w/ Lent Cantata

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Monday, April 4

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Tuesday, April 5

9:30 a.m. - Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle
 6:30 p.m. - Presbyterian Women - Morning and Evening Circle
 Light Dinner and PW Birthday Offering

Wednesday, April 6

6:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. - Board of Deacons meeting

Saturday, April 9

9:00 a.m. - All Church Workday

Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Monday, April 11

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Wednesday, April 13

6:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting

Maundy Thursday, April 14

6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service with Communion in
 Wilbanks Hall

Good Friday, April 15

6:30 p.m. - Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 16

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 17 - Resurrection of the Lord / Easter Day

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
 Ben Clifton, Director of Music Ministries
 Ryoji Shimo, Organist
 Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
 Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus



Fellowship Dinner and Mission Program

**Sunday, March 27
at 6:00 p.m.**




What to cook?

What: The March Mission Fellowship Meal
When: Sunday, March 27 at 6 PM.
Where: Wilbanks Hall
Why: We will have an opportunity for a meal & learn more about missions
Who: The First Presbyterian Church Family
How: Please RSVP your attendance and the food item you will bring.

EASTER EGGS NEEDED . . .

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE COULD USE YOUR HELP! WE NEED CANDY STUFFED EASTER EGGS. INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED COOKIES OR SNACKS AND JUICE DRINKS FOR OUR EGG HUNT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022.

THIS IS A LARGE PART OF OUR OUTREACH DURING HOLY SEASON, PLEASE HELP US SHOW OFF OUR WONDERFUL CHURCH FAMILY AND FACILITIES. *Thank you!*





**All Church Workday, Saturday,
April 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m.**

The Property Committee will be heading up an "all church workday" at our church on Saturday, April 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m. This time will be dedicated to sprucing up the place, both inside and out, before Holy Week. Please prayerfully considering a couple of hours out of your Saturday to clean up around the church.

Please sign up in the Welcome Center.

If you have questions, please see me.
 Thank you! Eric Schwartz, Property Chair.



L.I.F.E. Youth will begin their fund raising will begin in March. They will be selling Butter Braid frozen pastries. Last day to order is April 3. Orders will be back before Easter.

1. Order from a Youth *or*
2. Order online <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/6926763b-997f-4cb6-adc9-c06c5f2fe9a8>

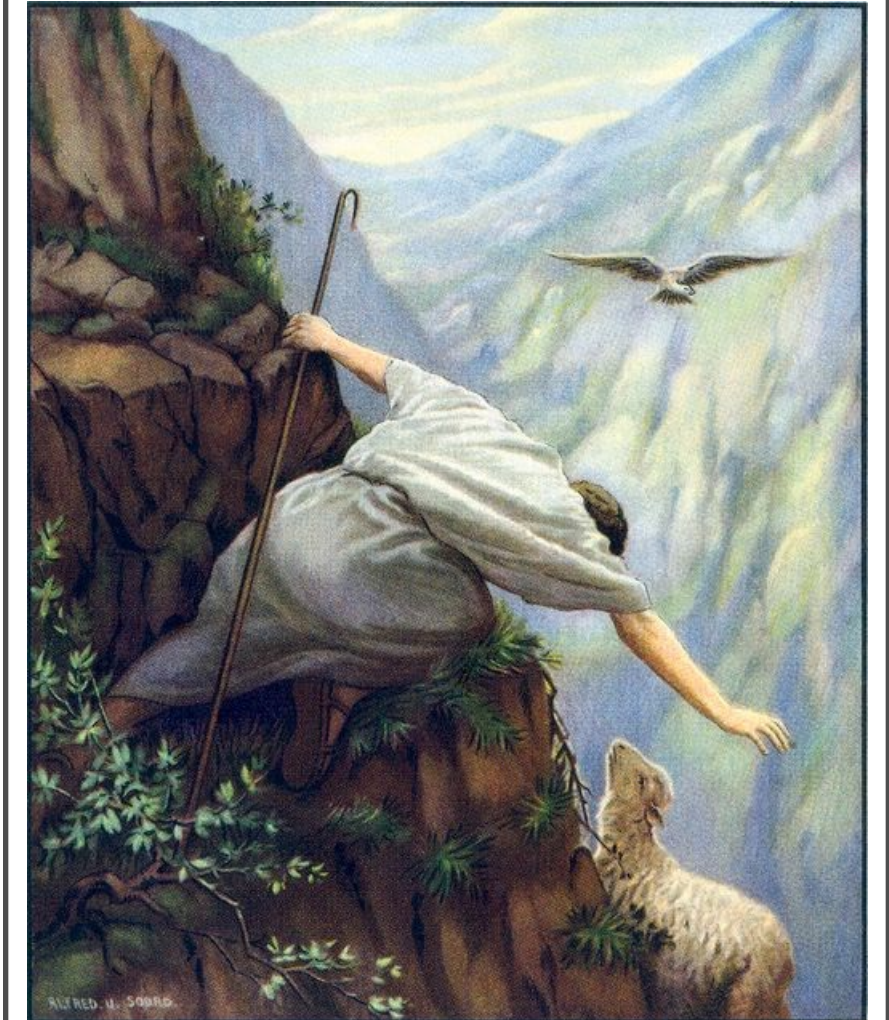
**Are you interested in a short-term mid-week
Lenten Study?**

Rev. Doughton will lead a five-week Lenten Study on the following Wednesdays: March 16, 23, 30, April 6, and 13 at 10 AM. Please join us.

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

March 27, 2022

8:45 a.m. & 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. Let us worship God!*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY (8:45) What Wondrous Love Is This? arr. Mark Hayes
(11:00) *Lenten Nocturne* Dan R. Edwards
Jubilate Ringers

INTROIT *You Are Holy* Marc Imboden
(11:00) Chancel Choir Tammi Rhoton

You are holy; You are mighty; You are worthy, worthy of praise.
I will follow; I will listen; I will love You all of my days.

I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy.
I will love and adore Him; I will bow down before Him.

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I will love and adore Him; I will bow down before Him.

You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for You.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; (Adapted from Joel 2:12-14)*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

Even now, declares the Lord, return to Me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord Your God, for the Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. Come, let us Worship the Lord.

*HYMN 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Loving God; we have fallen short time and time again. You have given us Your Word, both in Scripture and in Your Son, You have promised us Your presence, and You have graced us with Your kingdom, both in teaching and in service. Even so, we neglect, ignore, and reject Your purposes for us. We do not love what You love. We do not embrace what You embrace. We do not defend what You have called us to defend. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us for what we do and what we fail to do. And with Your gifts, promises, and grace, continue working in our lives that we may live fully for Jesus Christ, now and forevermore. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

ANTHEM (11:00) *When Hope Fell Silent* Mary McDonald
Chancel Choir Rose Aspinall

When hope fell silent on that day, the sinless Savior died;
He drank the cup, His blood poured out, and mercy opened wide.
Man of Sorrows abandoned here; our debt too great to pay.
With broken body upon the cross, He'll bear our sins away.
Hope fell silent. Hope fell.

dreadful darkness on the land, the King of Glory dies.
The spotless Lamb is sacrificed and judgement satisfied,
and judgement satisfied!
Hope fell silent. Hope fell.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

God of all Wisdom and Glory, open us to the work of the Holy Spirit that we may hear Your Word with understanding, grace, and wisdom in this Season of Lent in Jesus name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 18:21-22*

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times."

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 18:10-14*

"Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Rev. Doughton
The children and youth are invited to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 834 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

SERMON *Found* Rev. Doughton

*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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*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.**

*HYMN 215 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *God, We Honor You* James E. Clemens
(11:00) Chancel Choir

God, we honor You. God, we trust in You.
God, we worship and adore You.
Take what we bring, offered to You.
Teach us to show Your abundant blessings.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

*VOLUNTARY *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. Franklin Ritter

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Kay Alvarez (8:45); Sheila Hammer (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers **

Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, David Howard,
Kirk Dixon & Susan Farmer (8:45)
Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, David Howard,
& Larry Thomas (11:00)