

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by John and Paula Kusewitt in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, March 12

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell and Choir Rehearsal
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
 12:00 p.m. - Youth Music Tour Subcommittee Meeting

Monday, March 13

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 15

5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal
 6:30 p.m. - Rev. Doughton will lead a Lenten Series
 "What is so Amazing About Grace"
 6:30 p.m. - Art Class by Pete Allen (Watercolor Painting)
 7:30 p.m. - Session Meeting in Crossroads classroom

Thursday, March 16

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 19 - Blood Drive

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell and Choir Rehearsal
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
 12:00 p.m. - Youth/Parent meeting for Youth Music Tour
 6:00 p.m. - Church Night Supper - Mesquite March Madness for Missions

Monday, March 20

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 21

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Meeting in the Crossroads classroom

Wednesday, March 22




5:45 p.m. - WNL Meal
 6:30 p.m. - Rev. Doughton will lead a Lenten Series
 "What is so Amazing About Grace"
 6:30 p.m. - Art Class by Pete Allen (Watercolor Painting)

Sunday, March 26

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell and Choir Rehearsal
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Youth Music Tour Fundraising

Be sure to stop by the table in the main hallway in support of the Youth Music Tour. You will be able to "FLOCK SOMEONE" or purchase insurance against your yard being flocked. Sales end March 19.

 Flocking \$25.00  Flocking Insurance \$20.00  Flocking Removal \$25.00

This is a fun way to advertise our church and support the Youth with their mission trip.

The Youth are also selling advertisement spaces on their mission t-shirts.

Ads are available in the following denominations: \$500, \$450, \$150, \$50 and \$25. This is an excellent write-off and advertisements for businesses.



Sunday, March 19, 2023 is our next Blood Drive.
 Please use this QR Code to sign-up.

This drive will have 30 slots for donors, our goal is to have at least 20 or more successful donors. The need for donors right now is important, and our drive will help the community. Let's be mission-minded and save lives through our donation of blood.



We will offer a light meal and classes for Adults on Wednesdays through March. The price is still \$5.00 per person. Please sign-up to attend.

Pete Allen will offer watercolor classes each Wednesday through March at 6:30 p.m.

Rev. Doughton will lead a Lenten series. This year's study is based on Philip Yancey's book, "What is So Amazing About Grace. **We need to know how many will attend in order to have enough supplies.** Please sign-up! (Dr. Carol will led this week)

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know if you would like to utilize childcare; we will schedule staff.

What's on the Menu for Wednesday Night Dinners?



- 3/15 Chili, Cornbread, Salad, and Bread Pudding
- 3/22 French Bread Pizza, Pasta and Sauce, Salad, and Chocolate Pie
- 3/29 Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Broccoli Slaw, Chips, Salad & Ice Cream Sundaes

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES

Our next mission will be to collect diapers and wipes for *Viola's House* and *Inspired Vision Compassion Center*. If you care to assist in our mission, you may turn in your donations to the Welcome Center by Sunday, April 9.

Faith and Life Sunday School Class

Faith and Life Class has begun to meet again during the Sunday School hour for some fellowship and study. Primarily, they will be using *The Present Word* curriculum as they have in the past. Paula Kusewitt will facilitate the lessons in a discussion-guided format, and all materials are provided. All are invited to join this group: those who previously met as the Faith and Life Class as well as anyone else who'd like to participate. We want to rebuild this class and glorify God through our actions and words. We will meet in the Faith and Life Classroom in the Wilbanks Hall Building- We hope you'll join us!

THOSE WHO SERVE

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

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

March 12, 2023

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Sue Bohmer (8:45); Diane Beal (11:00)
Deacon/Ushers - Rodney Graham, Mike and Robbie Lee (8:45);
 Rodney Graham, Bennett and Mary Claire Doughton (11:00)



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

PRELUDE *Morning Has Broken* arr. John Turner

INTROIT 705 *You Are Holy* 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.
I will sing to and worship the King Who is worthy.
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 12:12-14

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 409 *God Is Here!*

*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 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 #

MOMENT FOR MISSION Youth Music Tour

ANTHEM *Lamb of God* arr. Larry Mayfield
Chancel Choir

Were you there when they crucified my Lord.
Your only Son, no sin to hide,
but You have sent Him from Your side to walk upon this guilty sod
and become the Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God. I love the Holy Lamb of God.
O was me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

(continued)

Your gift of love they crucified, they laughed and scorned Him as He died.

The humble King they named a fraud and scarified the Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God. I love the Holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God.
I love the Holy Lamb of, Holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood 'til I am just a lamb of, lamb of God.
Were you there when hey crucified my Lord?
Lamb of God, Lamb of God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

God of all Wisdom and Glory, open us to 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 # *Mark 4:35-41*

On that day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took Him with them in the boat, just as He was. Other boats were with Him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But He was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke Him up and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?"

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Mark 5:21-43*

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around Him, and He was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus, came and, when he saw Him, fell at his feet and pleaded with Him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." So He went with him. And a large crowd followed Him and pressed in on Him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had, and she was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind Him in the crowd and touched His cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well." Immediately her flow of blood stopped, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from Him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my cloak?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on You; how can You say, 'Who touched Me?' " He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While He was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, "Do not be afraid; only believe." He allowed no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the synagogue leader's house, He saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When He had entered, He said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at Him. Then He put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with

Him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

SERMON *The Daughters* 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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *May God Inspire* Henry Purcell,
Ryoji Shimpo, pianist arr. Lani Smith

*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 213 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 709 *God, We Honor You* James E Clemens
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.

*POSTLUDE *Balm In Gilead* arr. David Paxton