



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,
and make Him known.

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Prelude	<i>Sonata in a Minor for Oboe and Piano</i> Melanie Misenheimer, oboe Nancy Sloop, piano	Telemann
Welcome & Service of Friendship		Pastor Darryl Evans
Moment with the Boy Scouts		John Hammond
Choral Call	<i>Teach Us the Wisdom of God</i>	Marty Haugen arr. by Joel Raney

*Call to Worship - Week 1 - Repentance

During Lent, we reflect on our sins and the meaning of repentance.

Repentance is our response to God's boundless grace.

We look for clear direction and firm guidance from God.

Repentance is turning from darkness and walking in the light.

We strive to become people who are more loving, and less self-serving.

Repentance is taking responsibility for our actions.

We seek forgiveness and place our faith in God's mercy.

Repentance is trusting God's eternal grace and steadfast love.

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, both in our deeds and in our inaction. We have forgotten your teachings and have loved ourselves more than our neighbor. Through your Holy Spirit, come and work repentance into our hearts. Open us to change and growth. Give to us an experience of grace that lifts our burdens from us and enables us to live rich, joyful lives for the good of others, and for your kingdom. Amen.

Teach Us the Wisdom of God

Words and Music by
MARTY HAUGEN

Congregation:

The musical score is written for a congregation in a soprano clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for those who love him; Spir - it of love, come, give us the mind of Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God."

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Prayers of the People & 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.

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Word with our Children

Malaina Meeks

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 Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul,
for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

(Four year olds through 2nd graders may now be excused to Children's Church. An adult will now escort the children to the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3rd floor of the education building, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Anthem

Holy Ground

arr. by Douglas Schoen

Melanie Misenheimer, oboe
Nancy Sloop, piano

Scripture Reading

from Exodus 16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Eating Leftovers

Darryl Evans

"Each morning everyone gathered as much as he needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away."
-Exodus 16:21

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith – from Psalm 78**

**Can he supply meat for his people?"
When the Lord heard them, he was furious;
his fire broke out against Jacob,
and his wrath rose against Israel,
for they did not believe in God
or trust in his deliverance.
Yet he gave a command to the skies above**

and opened the doors of the heavens;
he rained down manna for the people to eat,
he gave them the grain of heaven.
Human beings ate the bread of angels;
he sent them all the food they could eat.
He let loose the east wind from the heavens
and by his power made the south wind blow.
He rained meat down on them like dust,
birds like sand on the seashore.

Offering & Offertory

Lamb of God
Melanie Misenheimer, oboe
Nancy Sloop, piano

arr. by Douglas Schoen

***Doxology**

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 Thanksgiving**

***Hymn of Commitment No. 897**

CONVERSE/ERIE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

***Benediction**

Postlude

Sonata in a Minor for Oboe and Piano
Melanie Misenheimer, oboe
Nancy Sloop, piano

Telemann

***All who are able please stand.**

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To Our Guests

Welcome! We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning. We hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. You are warmly invited to stop by the Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary. If you have a prayer request, please see Darryl or call us at 704-938-4623.

Children's Activity Bags are available for children age 3 to Grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper. An usher would be happy to bring you one.

Children's Church is available for children, 4 years to 2nd Grade. After the "A Word with Our Children," they will be escorted to the Children's Church. After worship, parents may pick up children in the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3rd floor of the education building.

Upcoming

The Boy Scouts would like to invite the congregation to a free lunch today, immediately following worship. Join us in the fellowship hall!

All volunteers who work with the children and youth at First Presbyterian and are not currently CPR/AED certified are invited and encouraged to participate in a CPR/AED certification class on February 20th at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please let the office or Tracy Caskey know if you plan to attend. Sign-up is required for participation as there are only twelve available spots and the class cost is covered. If you have any questions please see Tracy Caskey.

Youth in grades 4th-8th are invited to a series of Youth Leadership Workshops hosted by Tracy Caskey this winter. Topics to be covered will include speech, debate, money management and more. These will be held at the church from 6:00-7:30pm on February 21, March 7, and March 21.

Youth in 4th grade and up mark your calendars for the 2018 Progressive Dinner on Saturday, March 10th. We will meet at the church at 6:00pm to carpool to our hosts' homes for three different courses. If you are interested in attending or in opening your home as a host for the appetizer/salad course please see Tracy Caskey. Thank you to those hosting our main course and dessert!

Time is approaching for our officer elections. Members of the congregation are invited to submit names of persons to be considered for elders to serve in our next class. If you wish to nominate someone, please fill out the form below and place in offering plate.

I wish to nominate the person/persons below for the office of elder:

Tear off and place in offering plate

The Last Supper presentation will be on Palm Sunday, March 25 at 8:00 pm. Invite your friends!

Men's fellowship breakfast: Any men interested in re-forming a First Presbyterian men's fellowship group, please join us for a planning breakfast on Saturday March 3, 2018 at 8:00 am in the fellowship hall. Bring your ideas so we can discuss a purpose and vision for our group in our church and our community. Please RSVP by Sunday February 25th by placing the form below in the offering plate or returning to the church office. Any questions please contact Ryan Walker (704) 223-5255.

Name: _____

Yes I will be attending.

No I cannot attend but I am interested in participating in men's fellowship activities

On Good Friday, March 30 at 7:00 p.m., The Chancel Choir, instrumentalists and soloists will present *The Seven Last Words of Christ* by Theodore Dubois. The seven last words of Christ or seven sayings of Jesus on the cross are a traditional collection of short phrases uttered by Jesus at His crucifixion immediately before He died, gathered from the four Gospels. The drama and urgency in the musical score have a sweeping sound that takes us into the middle of Christ's passion. Please tell friends and family, and consider inviting someone new to church for this special service.

If you would like to contribute flowers for worship, please see the sign-up poster on the bulletin board just outside the church office. The cost for an arrangement is \$56. Or, if you like to purchase something permanent that can be rotated during the weeks we don't have a live arrangement, please contact Jill McLain.

Prayer Concerns

New Prayer requests will be placed in the bulletin for two weeks.
Please help us keep **Prayer Concerns** current with weekly updates.

MEMBERS

Sharon Cranford - radiation treatment success - Feb. 28 complete.

Lynn Efird - health concerns.

Ellen Little - multiple family health issues; salvation of friends.

Jennifer Williams - upcoming surgery in February.

Connie Rary - one-year report; still fighting cancer.

Debby Baker - participating in a cancer clinical trial.

Emily Griggs - missionary in Morocco

FAMILY OF MEMBERS

Lynn Gilmore - Cancer, please pray for comfort and peace.

Alex - Joyce Deal's grandson: Serious skiing accident with 8-10 week recovery.

Special Church Member of the Week

Peggy Barnhardt

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Send a card, make a visit or a call, or offer a prayer. All to say "God loves you and the church cares about you."



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The Session

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans, Moderator
Wren Philpot, Clerk of Session

Class of 2018

Danny Bost
Peggy Gibson
Mark Goodnight
Sam McAllister

Class of 2019

Garrett Brady
Mike Freeman
Allison Hammett
Carol Lowder

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans
Pastor

David Hamilton
Director of Music

Tracy and Adam Caskey
Youth Directors

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

Landra Goodnight Staab – daughter of Steve & Judy Goodnight:
Beginning cancer treatments.

William Staab - two broken wrists.

Jacob Troutman - grandson of Bill & Judy Hammond: Hospitalized
with serious kidney & liver issues

Lori Holder - daughter of Sam McAllister: Suffering with MS.

Mark McDaniel - brother of Mal McDaniel: Making good progress
fighting lymphoma.

Don Hamilton - husband of Cookie Hamilton: (On permanent nightly
dialysis at home).

Arthur Fu - brother of Jessica Bell: Fighting cancer.

Sue Edwards - friend of Mike Freeman: Fighting brain cancer.

Tink Wade - friend of Jill McLain: Breast cancer - good pathology
report.

Teresa Alexander - friend of Renee Goodnight: Diagnosed with brain
tumors.

Dave Viscount - friend of Mark Goodnight: Suffering with ALS.

Christ the Word - church plant in Rolesville, NC with Patrick Cherry.

HOMEBOUND (rotating Special Member of the Week)

Peggy Barnhardt

Joe Crawford

Iris Efir

Dwight Goodnight

Tod Goodnight - struggling with Parkinson's Disease

Juanita Holt - continues to appreciate your calls, cards, and prayers

Virginia Maguire

Betty Overcash

Charles Seaford

Donna Whitley - kidney disease

Mike Williams

Loretta Young - Alzheimer's is progressing and she is declining in
health.

Servants

Greeters: Mark Goodnight & Allison Hammett

Elder Lock-Up: Peggy Gibson

Videographer: David Reed

Children's Message: Malaina Meeks

Children's Message Next Week: Sharon Stricker

Children's Church Leader: Ali Craft

Children's Church Leader next week: Amelia Goodnight

Nursery: Raegan Swaringen

Nursery next week: Jenna Baker

Acolytes: Amelia Caskey & Ella Sechler

Acolytes next week: Abigail Malinovsky & Caroline Smith

Ushers: Andrew & Jenna Baker, Jason & Erin Burris

Ushers next week: Danny Bost, Mel Eaton, Todd Pless & Tony Rary

This Week

TODAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** – Parlor
All are welcome

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Walter Goodman Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

10:00 a.m. - **New Covenant Partners
Class (Fellowship Hall)**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**

MONDAY

6:30 p.m. - **Saltshakers Bible Study**

8:00 p.m. - **Alcoholics Anonymous**

TUESDAY

12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous**

6:00 p.m. - **CPR/AED Training**

WEDNESDAY

5:45 p.m. - **Wednesday Supper**

6:00 p.m. - **Youth Leadership
Workshop**

6:30 p.m. - **Children's Classes**

6:30 p.m. - **Adult Class (Hebrews)**

6:30 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

7:30 p.m. - **Alleluia Ringers**

THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. - **Women's Bible Study**

12:00 p.m. - **NA**

6:30 p.m. - **Boy Scouts**

8:00 p.m. - **AA**

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** - Parlor
All are welcome

9:15 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
New Connection Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

10:00 a.m. - **New Covenant Partners
Class (Fellowship Hall)**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**

3:00 p.m. - **Elder Nominating
Committee Meeting**



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