

First Presbyterian Church

Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,
We seek to know God's love and share it
With each other, our community, and the world.
We invite you to join us in this journey
of discipleship!*

Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor

First Sunday in Lent

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion

March 5, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE Psalm 19 "The Heavens Declare"
Benedetto Marcello

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:
You shall worship the Lord your God alone.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN #611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. You provide the food we need; still we hunger for other things. You give your word to guide us; still we surrender to temptation. Forgive us, by your steadfast love. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI, HYMN #581

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:1-12 (p. 1)

ANTHEM Sing and Be Joyful
Mark Wilson

*His works are full of majesty. His precepts we can trust.
He leads His people forth with joy, and all His ways are just.
O praise His name through all the earth, with lute and harp and
voice.*

Let trumpet shout His mighty deeds, and call us to rejoice!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 19:1-6, 14 (p. 433)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "A Spirituality of Listening:
I Hear Creation Singing"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #370 "This Is My Father's World"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
(Hymnal p.35)

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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory This is My Father's World Medley
Setting by Gail Smith

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Response #583

(2x)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.

Response #601

"Amen"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Fur Elise
Ludwig van Beethoven
played by Christina Glover

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN #667 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Hymn to Joy
Ludwig van Beethoven

WORSHIP NOTES

Tracy Jackson is today's liturgist.
Eric Salyer is today's audio visual specialist.
*Please stand if you are able.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, March 5 Youth NaCoMe Winter Retreat

9:00am Young Children's Music

5:00pm City Church

Monday, March 6

5:00pm Theology of Tap @ Shoney's

Tuesday, March 7

10:00am Morning Circle

5:30pm Yoga

Wednesday, March 8

10:00am Bible Study group meets in the library

5:00pm Property Committee

5:00pm Room at the Inn (AOC)

5:30pm Healthy Eating (see announcement)

6:00pm Handbells

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm Adult Choir

Thursday, March 9

9:00am Yoga

10-12noon Disciple 2 class (library)

10:30am Staff Meeting

1-3:00pm Disciple 3 class (library)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FPC is taking applications for **DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**. Position will remain open until filled. If you are interested please contact Monica Drake at 645-6551 for the job description or send resume with cover letter to Vicki Wallace at vickitwallace@gmail.com. **SERIES: A HEALING JOURNEY** We began our journey by observing Ash Wednesday together. Now we will meet on **Wednesday evenings (March 8, 15, 22, and April 5) at 5:30pm** to share a healthy meal and learn foundational principles that can have a great impact on you. The journey will end with Maundy Thursday meal and service on April 13. Please contact Janet Haase at 931-206-3294 or janet@maxwellclinic.com or Kris Foust at 931-216-7801 if you would like more information.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Pastoral Counseling Center is having a Pancake Breakfast benefitting **Insight Counseling**, Saturday, **March 11** from 7am- 11am, at Grace Lutheran Church, 2041 Madison St. in Clarksville. Contact Don Beck (648-4609) for tickets at \$5 each.

ESP Come join your fellow members and friends for lunch on **Saturday, March 11**. We will ride the church bus to Miss Patti's, Grand Rivers, KY. Just sign up on the ESP bulletin board if you can go. We plan to leave the church at 10:30am and be back around 3pm. Miss Patti's is famous for her delicious food and there are several cute shops there that you may want to browse through after lunch!

WOMEN'S RETREAT

The retreat will be at Montgomery Bell State Park, **March 17-19**. We will carpool down Friday afternoon and return Sunday after morning worship. Pastor Jule Nyhuis will lead our study sessions on Saturday. There will be time for hiking, yoga, reading, etc. Please contact Ann Waddle at 624-2597 for more information.

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate
10:00am Service

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Member(s) Visitor(s)

Members please indicate if this is a change.

Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: _____

Prayer Requests:

LOOKING AHEAD:

- March 11 Pancake Breakfast (see announcement)
ESP Lunch Get-Away (see announcement)
- March 12 Daylight Savings time begins
- March 15 Healthy Eating (see announcement)
- March 17-19 Women's Retreat (see announcement)
- March 22 Healthy Eating
- March 27-31 CMCSS Spring Break
- April 3 Men's Quarterly Breakfast at Shoney's
- April 5 Healthy Eating
- April 7-9 Annual Men's Work Retreat
- April 9 Palm Sunday
- April 13 Maundy Thursday
- April 14 Good Friday
- April 15 Easter Egg Hunt
- April 16 Easter