

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

Third Sunday in Lent

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion

March 4, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "O Sacred Head"
J.S. Bach

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.
The law of the Lord revives the soul;
the word of God makes the simple wise.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN #509 "All Who Hunger"

CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of
ashes and dust. You gave us your law to guide us, but
we seek the wisdom of the world. You made us a
temple of living stones, but we dishonor the body of
Christ. Forgive us, God of grace. Instruct us in our
foolishness and strengthen us in our weakness so that**

**we may be holy and whole; 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 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 (p.943)

ANTHEM "Ave Verum Corpus"
Gerald Near

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 17:20-26 (p.880)

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

SERMON "The Power of One"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #460 "Break, Thou the Bread of Life"

*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 Improvisation "Beach Spring"

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 #552

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

...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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN #541

"God Be With You"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“Improvisation on Ave Verum”

WORSHIP NOTES

Rhonda Banasiak is today’s liturgist.
Eric Salyer is today’s audio-visual specialist.
Mark Ring is Music Director.
*Please stand if you are able.
**Children’s Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, March 4
9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes
Young Children’s Music (until 9:15)
Monday, March 5
5:00pm Theology on Tap
Tuesday, March 6
10:00am Morning Circle
5:30pm Yoga
6:00pm Ramsey Class
Wednesday, March 7
10:00am Bible Study
11:15am Prayer Circle
5:00pm Room in the Inn
6:00pm Greek Class
6:00pm Handbells
6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A
7:00pm Adult Choir
Thursday, February 8
8:30am Yoga
9:00am Staff Meeting
10-12noon/1-3pm Disciple Classes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WOMEN’S RETREAT will be **March 16-18** at Montgomery Bell State Park! Please contact Liz Thomas at 931-249-9180 or Rhonda Banasiak at 931-980-8184 with any questions. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin outside of the church office.

SAVE THE DATE! VBS 2018 has been set for July 9-13. The theme this year is **Rolling River Rampage**. Mark your calendars, tell your friends, and come join us!

LOOKING AHEAD FOR AN AFTERNOON RECEPTIONIST Maggie will be leaving us in May. This position is **1-5, Monday through Thursday**. If you are, or if you know anyone who would be interested, please contact the church office. Thank you.

This year on **Wednesdays during Lent**, we are joining **TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH** at 5:45pm for dinner and a forum and book discussion about Haiti. I hope to see you there.

HOLY WEEK Midday Services:
The downtown churches will offer a noontime service and light meal each work day during Holy Week 2018.

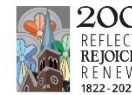
Monday- Madison Street United Methodist
Tuesday - Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic
Wednesday - Trinity Episcopal
Maundy Thursday - First Baptist
Good Friday - First Presbyterian

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25 Pre-K-7 grade will present palms during the service. All students Pre-K through high School will join the choir for the Anthem.



EASTER EGG HUNT The 63rd Annual Easter Egg hunt will be **Saturday March 31, 3:00 to 4:30pm**, at Jane & Steve Wallace’s home, **145 E. Glenwood!** Parents are asked to bring cookies and/or juice to share with everyone.

SAVE THE DATE! FIRST PRESBYTERIAN GALA is being held at the **Customs House Museum Thursday, May 17, 5:30-8pm** This Gala is the **kick-off for the Bicentennial Capital Campaign!**



MEMORIAL EASTER LILIES The church will purchase Memorial lilies for the Easter Service. Names of those in memory of (or in honor of) along with donors will be listed in the bulletin, April 1. All you do is donate to the FPC Memorial Garden Fund and let the church office know your loved one’s name. The deadline to have names listed in the bulletin is 1:00pm **Friday, March 23.**



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 any changes if info.

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 Second Sunday Lunch
- March 16-18 Women’s Retreat
- March 17-18 Youth Work Trip
- March 25 Palm Sunday (see announcement)
- March 29 Maundy Thursday
- March 30 Good Friday
- March 31 Easter Egg Hunt (see announcement)
- April 3 Men’s Quarterly Breakfast
- April 13 Friday Family Fun Night