

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



Palm/Passion Sunday

March 25, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Prelude to the Te Deum"
Marc Antoine Charpentier

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.

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

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us worship God.

*HYMN #196 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. We join the parade and shout hosanna, then deny our Lord in his hour of need. We wave the palms and sing praise, then hand our Savior over to die. Forgive us, God of grace. Our lives are in your hand--deliver us from evil. Save us, by your steadfast love; 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 Isaiah 50:4-9a (p. 594)

ANTHEM "Blessed is He"
Tom Fettke
Adult Choir & Children's Choir

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 11:1-11; 14:32-50
(p. 823, 827)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Road Less Traveled"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #209 "My Song is Love Unknown"

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
arr. Gilbert Martin
Adult Choir

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #218 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"
J.S. Bach

WORSHIP NOTES

Ron Wolfe is today's liturgist.

Eric Salyer is today's audio-visual specialist.

Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.

Kenneth Williams, Accompanist.

*Please stand if you are able.

**Children's Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office.

There will be no Easter Sunrise Service.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, March 25

9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

Young Children's Music (until 9:15)

Monday, March 26

5:00pm Theology on Tap

Tuesday, March 27

5:00pm Yoga

6:00pm Ramsey Class

Wednesday, March 28

10:00am Bible Study

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, March 29
 8:30am **Yoga**
 9:00am **Staff Meeting**
 4:00pm **Handicapped Accessibility Committee** in Library
 7:00pm **Maundy Thursday at Trinity**
Friday, March 30
 Noon **Good Friday at First Presbyterian**
Saturday, March 31
 3:00pm **Easter Egg Hunt** (see announcement)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE is hosting a dinner for new members and visitors on Thursday, April 19, at 6:00pm in fellowship hall.



This committee has been in the process of contacting new members and visitors and we need your help! If you know of a new member or visitor that has not been contacted, please contact a committee member. We do not want to miss anyone. Thank you for helping us to accomplish this important task. **NEW MEMBERS AND VISITORS, MARK YOUR CALENDARS and RSVP** to Kristi Kimmell 931-980-9448, Brandi Goodwin 931-237-4344, or to Kris Foust 931-216-7801. We are excited about this time of fellowship!

PRESCHOOL TEACHING OPPORTUNITY The Preschool is seeking a teacher for our 3's classes beginning in September 2018. The position requires approximately 20 hours weekly, Monday-Friday from 8:30 to 12:30 and once weekly until 2pm. The class size is 14 children and is staffed with an experienced full-time teacher's aide. Previous teaching experience is necessary for this position. Please send a resume to Mary Linn Sadler, Director, to the church or to mksadler7@hotmail.com. You may also call the Preschool at 931-645-0313 for more information.

MEN'S QUARTERLY BREAKFAST All men, all ages, are invited to our quarterly breakfast to participate in conversations about life and faith! Meet on **Tuesday, April 3** at 8:00 am at the Shoney's on the corner of Kraft Street and 2nd Street. A brief devotional follows the meal.

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED! This position is **1-5, Monday through Thursday**. If you are interested, please send a letter of intent and brief resume to Vicki Wallace, vickitwallace@gmail.com by **April 13**. A job description is available in the church office.

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
 319 Madison Street

Tuesday - Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic
 709 Franklin Street

Wednesday – St. Peter African Methodist Episcopal Church
 518 Franklin Street

Thursday – 7:00pm Trinity Episcopal Church
 317 Franklin Street

Good Friday - First Presbyterian Church

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! The Gala is free of charge.



A NOTE FROM THE SERVICE COMMITTEE: Due to significant illnesses of members of this committee, it is imperative that those interested in interviewing clients should contact Gail Hudson at 931-801-5073 as soon as possible. If we do not increase the number of volunteers, services may be jeopardized.

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:

April 1 Easter

April 3 Men's Quarterly Breakfast (see announcement)

April 13 Friday Family Fun Night

April 15-17 Assessment (see insert)

April 19 New Members & Visitors Dinner (see announcement)

April 23 PW Dinner

May 9 Estate Planning Class

May 17 FPC Gala (see announcement)

May 28 Memorial Day Office Closed

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!

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