



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

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 17, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

John Stanley

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.

And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God together.

*HYMN #796 “We Come to You for Healing, Lord”

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

Forgive us, God of grace, when we are burdened by the weight of the curse we choose. We put our trust in earthly things, rather than trusting the depth of your grace. We put our hope in human beings, rather than acknowledging that only you are God.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert and shall not see

when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Forgive us, God of grace, when we find ourselves dying of thirst, not seeing the water of life that you have placed before us. Move us to recognize our relief. Move us to know the goodness of your call.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

Shower us with your grace, O Lord, that we may be trees planted by living waters. Nourish our spirits, enliven our hearts, enlighten our minds, and ease our burdens. Forgive us and free us to try again.

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 Psalm 1 (p. 424)

ANTHEM “The Majesty and Glory of Your Name”
Tom Fettke

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

***Children ages 4-4th grade leave for Children's Worship*

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING James 4:1-17 (p. 982)

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God

SERMON “Dangerous Friendship”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #250 “In the Bulb There Is a Flower”
(Hymn of Promise)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed, pg. 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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION NaCoMe
Logan Teichmann

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY “Psalm 1”

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #457 “How Happy Are the Saints of God”

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE “Hornpipe”
G.F. Handel

WORSHIP NOTES

Bill Moser is today's liturgist.
Rick Prall is today's audio-visual specialist.
Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.
Matt McNeill, Accompanist.
***Please stand if you are able.**

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

Note on Psalm 1: The first Psalm is a gateway, a doorway entrance to the whole Psalter. It serves as a map for the wise person, pointing out the clear differences between two distinct paths through life, the way of the righteous and the way of the wicked. The Psalmist calls us to walk the path of great delight, to love what God commands. This delight in what is right is a key to right relationship with God, and therefore the key to life. People who put themselves in proximity to God (who seek and delight in God) are like trees planted near a stream. They draw up the life-giving presence of God, the water of life, as if through a taproot by delighting in God's Word. The other path, the other way, is the way of death, the way of the foolish person, the way of destruction. The Christian who sings this Psalm realizes that only Jesus has ever walked the righteous pathway perfectly, completely, and steadfastly. He is the way, and the truth, and the life. Only by his grace, by following him, are we able to sit, walk, and stand on the narrow way that leads to life eternal (Matthew 7:13-14)

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, February 17 Congregational Meeting after Worship

9:00am **Adult, Children & Youth S.S.**

9:00-9:15am **Children's Music**

4:00pm **Youth Group Activity**

Monday, February 18 Presidents' Day/Office Closed

5:00pm **Theology on Tap** at Guadalajara

Tuesday, February 19

5:00pm **Yoga**

FPC Social Media Links:

Wednesday, February 20

Instagram: fpcclarksvilletn

10:00am **Bible Study**

Facebook: @FPCClarksville

6:00pm **Handbells**

Twitter: clarksvillefpc

6:30pm **Youth @CFA**

7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, February 21

8:30am **Yoga**

Noon **Staff Meeting**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please plan on attending the **PW LUNCHEON on February 25, 2019 at 12:30 pm.** Mickey Daughtery will be speaking about her life journey. Charene and Wendy will be providing the meal. Hope to see you there. Sign-ups are in the bulletin (tear-off), on the PW bulletin board or through the church office. Please choose one and only one time. Thank you.

TIME TO PURCHASE EMPTY BOWLS TICKETS!

Empty Bowls is a nationwide grassroots event to fight hunger and raise awareness for those around us who don't know where their next meal will come from. The proceeds benefit Loaves & Fishes and Urban Ministries. **First Presbyterian Church will again host a dinner location for Empty Bowls on Tuesday Feb. 26 from 4:30-7:00pm.** We will offer several different soups, bread, a dessert and drink and upon exit you will be able to pick a beautiful hand painted bowl to take home. Tickets are \$15 and available in the church office, from Kris Foust or you can purchase through Eventbrite.com (specify our church location). Presbyterian Women are involved with the Empty Bowls project! We are asking women to bring homemade cookies/bars, two to a bag, to church Sunday, February 24 or Monday, February 25.

ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT Ladies, it is time to mark your calendars for this year's retreat! We are excited to once again be staying at Montgomery Bell State Park. Our retreat will be **Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 17.** We will be studying a Lenten curriculum this year, Adam Hamilton's Final Words From the Cross. Rhonda Banasiak and Karen Goggin will be leading us in this program, and Laura Black will be back for fun and games! The cost will run about \$103 for the full weekend in a regular room (not including food). If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Banasiak at (931) 980-8184. The sign-up sheet is outside the church office on the table.

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service

Name: _____

Member(s) 1st Time Visitor(s) Visitor(s)

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Members indicate if this is a change in information.

I will attend **PW Lunch** I need child care

I am interested in membership, baptism, or a meeting with the pastor (please circle which one(s)).

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

February 25, PW Luncheon (see announcement)

February 26, Empty Bowls (see announcement)

February 27, Room in the Inn

March 3, Showers of Love

March 6, Ash Wednesday

March 10, Second Sunday Lunch

March 15, Women's Retreat (see announcement)

March 25-29, Spring Break!

ATTENTION: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, TODAY after Worship! The purpose of this meeting is to authorize sale of property donated in partial fulfillment of a Capital Campaign pledge.