



Prelude: *For the Beauty of the Earth*..... Hart Morris
Carrilon Handbell Choir ~ Charles Frost, *director*

Introit: *Open Our Eyes, Lord* Robert Cull
Sanctuary Choir
*Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen, Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.*
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Welcome

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.
Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them
and in whose spirit is no deceit.
Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous;
sing, all you who are upright in heart! (taken from Psalm 31)

***Hymn:** *You Are My Refuge, Faithful God*.....No. 214

Time with the Children (11:00 a.m.)

See the Children Here Before Us.....Jan McGuire
Congregation
*See the children here before us, fresh expressions of God's love,
Each young life a precious promise, sent from heaven's realm above.
Lord, we ask You now to bless them as they learn and grow each day.
Help us teach them all the lessons that will guide them on their way.*
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After *Time with the Children*, children are invited to Children's Church.

Call to Confession (hymn No. 29):

Choir sings the first time; congregation joins on the second.

*O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me;
ever the maker and keeper of my days.*

Prayer of Confession:

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God.

**People: According to your steadfast love create in us a clean heart,
O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.**

Assurance of Pardon (hymn No. 447):

Choir sings the first time; congregation joins on the second.

*We are forgiven, We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven, We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

Passing of the Peace

Anthem: *First Word* (from *Seven Last Words*).....Théodore Dubois
Michael Schwartzkopt, *tenor* ~ Brian Fatzinger, *baritone* ~ Sanctuary Choir
“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” (Luke 23: 34)

*And the people clamored:
“He is death-guilty: take him, take him, let us crucify him!
Let his blood be on us, and on our children!”
Then they did crucify Jesus, and the two thieves,
One at his right hand, the other at his left hand.*

(Matthew 27: 23b; 17: 24b; Luke 23: 32)

Scripture: Luke 23:34 Page 918

Sermon: “The Seven Last Words of Jesus”.....Rev. Joel M. Wood
Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

***Hymn:** *Lamb of God*No. 518

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer Henry Brown

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Life of the Church (Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad.)

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory: *Psalm 23* (from *Songs of Faith*).....Paul Basler
Debra Sherrill-Ward, *French Horn* ~ Sanctuary Choir
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
For thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table for me in the presence of my enemies:
Thou annointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. Amen.*

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*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn:** *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*No. 438

***Charge & Benediction**

Congregational Response:

O How He Loves You and Me Kurt Kaiser
*O how He loves you and me. O how He loves you and me;
He gave His life, what more could He give? O how He loves you;
O how He loves me; O how He loves you and me!*

***Postlude:** *Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow*Johann Walther

*congregation standing as able

FPC Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m. traditional worship in the sanctuary
9:45 a.m. contemporary worship in Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. traditional worship in the sanctuary

Join us for worship on March 17 ~ Dr. Doug Fletcher preaching
The Seven Last Words of Jesus
Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise. ~ Luke 23:43

For pastoral care needs, Pastor Lisa Schrott may be reached
on her cell phone at 318-286-3816.

Chancel Flowers: The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Heberton by his wife, Helen, and their family. The memorial roses are in honor of Wilbur Cross and Frederick Keever who entered the Church Triumphant on March 4 and March 5, 2019, respectively.

We welcome tenor Michael Schwartzkopt and French hornist Debra Sherrill-Ward to our worship services today and thank them for their participation.

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS, hearing devices and children’s bulletins are available from the ushers, as well as nursery care throughout the morning.

Love Letters: Look for new “love letters” in the Gathering Space this Sunday morning, extending blessings from our membership to others who are in need of support.

Connection Card: Connections with our members and visitors are important to us. Drop your completed card in the offering plate during worship or leave it at the Welcome Center in the narthex after worship.

If You See Something, Say Something! If any concerns arise within the church facility or on campus, notify one of the ushers and/or pastors or staff immediately. Ushers may be found in the rear of the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Schedule

Three years-grade 12

Please check in your child at the registration table adjacent to the elevator in the Gathering Space.

- All morning:** Nursery for babies-2 years of age in the Day School/children's wing
- 9:45 a.m.:** Sunday school for ages 3 years-5th grade;
Ages 3 years – Kindergarten – Room 113 in the Day School/children's wing
1st – 5th grades – Creation Station/Room 216
The Bridge: Grades 5-7 in Room 219
Faith Foundations: Grades 8-12 in Room 216
- 11:00 a.m.:** Children's Church following Time with the Children
Ages 3 years – Kindergarten – Room 113 in the Day School/children's wing;
1st – 5th grades – Creation Station/Room 216
- 12:00 p.m.:** Adventures in Music: Community youth choir and musical enrichment in the Choir Room

Adults

- 9:45 a.m.** Work in Progress in Honey Horn Chapel for fellowship and a discussion of current events in relation to scripture and Christian beliefs
Seekers in the South Room exploring the biblical message and how to apply it to daily life
Lowcountry Lessons in the sanctuary combining a study of scripture with stories about the lowcountry
Living in the Word in the library; March 10: "The Baptism of Jesus"
Family Faith in Room 202
- 11:00 a.m.** J.O.Y. Group in the library; study is "Nooma," meaning wind, spirit and/or breath



FPC WOMEN & FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO A SPRING LUNCHEON
HOSTED BY SARAH CIRCLE
MARCH 21 IN THE GATHERING SPACE
WITH LUCY SCANDRETT ~ HARPISIT. \$20 PER PERSON
REGISTRATION AT 11:30 A.M.; LUNCH AT NOON

Name _____ Phone _____

Please include names of ladies with whom you wish to sit: _____

To confirm your reservation, please mail your check payable to FPC to the church office by March 13. We invite guests to bring donated items for the residents of the Village of Summerville, a Presbyterian retirement community.

Join us At the Table on Wednesdays

Fellowship Dinner at 5:45 p.m. in the Gathering Space

Cost: \$10/adult; \$5/youth/\$2 child

Reservations to the church office at 843-681-3696 by 5:00 p.m. each Monday or sign up in the Gathering Space ~ Entrées by SERG Takeout Kitchen
March 13 menu: Pot roast, whipped potatoes, vegetables, salad & brownies

- 3:15 p.m.** WOW: Kids for Christ (We're on Wednesdays!) for pre-school at 4:45 p.m. & kindergarten and grades 1-5 at 3:15 p.m. in the Christian Education wing
- 5:30 p.m.** New Voices in the Choir Room
- 5:45 p.m.** Fellowship dinner in the Gathering Space
- 6:00 p.m.** Nursery care for birth through age 3 in the nursery
- 6:15 p.m.** Youth program in Honey Horn Chapel

Beginning March 13

NEW Family Lenten Worship Service! ~ "The Importance of Worship"
5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

We invite children and parents to join us as we intentionally create space to experience the wonder of worship.

Children in the WOW program will be brought to Fellowship Hall at 5:15 p.m.

Lenten Worship at 6:30 p.m. in James Chapel exploring who "they" said Jesus was
March 13: Pastor Lisa Schrott preaching ~ "Jesus in the Wilderness" ~ Luke 4:1-13

In the Life of the Church

Welcome Visitors! Whether this is your first visit or you have been here many times, we are happy to have you with us! Please come into the Gathering Space following worship for coffee and fellowship and stop by the welcome table to say hello, and find out what is happening here at First Presbyterian Church.

Pizza with the Pastors: Are you new to the church? Interested in learning more about the Presbyterian church? Then Pizza with the Pastors is for you! Join our pastors in Fellowship Hall today, March 10, following the 11:00 a.m. service for conversation and fellowship. Older children are welcome to participate; the nursery is available for younger children.

Organ Recital: FPC and the Low Country Chapter of the AGO are excited to present Charles D. Frost, organist, in concert today, March 10, at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The concert is free and open to the public, and the program will feature works by African-American composers.

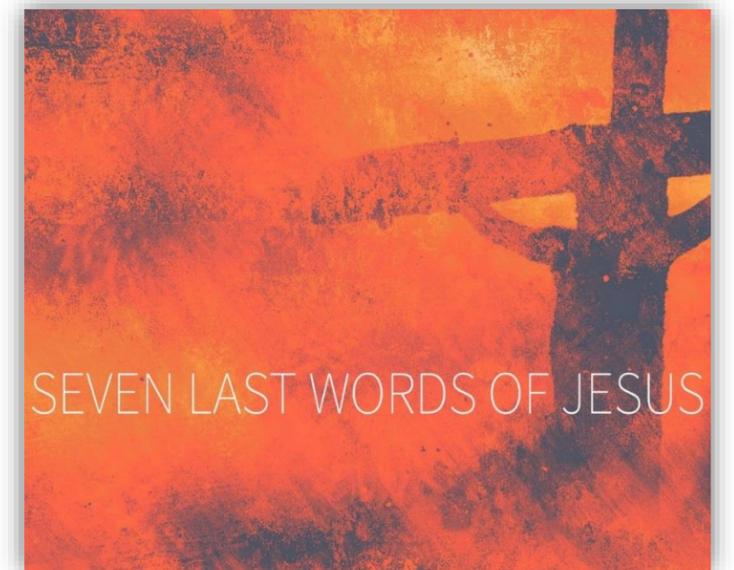
Membership Exploration: The next Membership Exploration Class will take place on March 23 at 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the church library. Please call Jean Tharin in the church office for your reservation.

Book & a Buck: Bring slightly used or new books for all ages, pre-school through adult, for our neighboring Jasper, Hampton, Colleton & Allendale counties. Leave your donations in the church office or in the Gathering Space on Sundays. Goal: 400 books. Thank you all in advance.

Weekly Happenings: Please see FPC's "Weekly Happenings" found at the Welcome Center and on the information rack outside Fellowship Hall to learn about the many FPC activities scheduled during the week.



8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
March 10, 2019



Our Mission:

Changing Lives . . . Making Disciples

Our Vision:

Every Member in Ministry

Our Values of Ministry:

Joyful Worship, Gracious Invitation, Prayerful Study,
Sacrificial Service & Caring Connections

Dr. Douglas K. Fletcher ~ Pastor
Rev. Joel M. Wood ~ Associate Pastor of Discipleship
Rev. Lisa M. Schrott ~ Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care
Dr. S. Russell Floyd, III ~ Minister of Music; Charles D. Frost ~ Organist

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