

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2019 · 10:00 AM**

(\* Those who are able, please stand. Large print hymnals, bulletins & wireless hearing aids are available. Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Celtic Grace" Susan Geschke  
Joyful Ringers Handbell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader .... Take delight in the Lord,  
who satisfies the desires of your heart.

**People.... Commit your way to the Lord  
and trust in God's actions.**

Leader .... Be still before the Lord  
and wait patiently for God.

**All ..... The Lord is our salvation  
and our refuge in times of trouble.**

\*HYMN "God of the Sparrow" # 272

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Bill Nee  
Invitation  
Unison Prayer

**Merciful God, so often we do not follow your ways  
or trust your promises.**

**We love only those who love us;  
we show kindness only to those who are kind to us;  
we give only when we expect to receive.**

**Forgive us, Lord.**

**Fill our hearts with your selfless love.**

**Change our lives by your matchless grace.**

**These things we pray through Christ our Savior.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Glory Be to the Father" # 579  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end.  
Amen. Amen**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 135

ANTHEM

"I'll Fly Away"  
(with Sweet By and By)

Brumley & Webster  
arr. Tammy Waldrop

GOSPEL READING Luke 6:27-38  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 49

CHILDREN'S TALK Julie Denton  
(4yr to Gr1 invited upstairs to Activity Period in 203. Children leave through front exits)

SERMON

Dying and Rising

\*HYMN "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love" # 367

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from Ephesians 2:13-22

**In Jesus we who were far off have been brought near.**

**He is our peace, and has broken down all walls between us.**

**He has created a new humanity,  
reconciling us to God and one another.**

**He proclaimed peace to everyone,  
whether close to God or far away.**

**Through him we have access in one Spirit to the Father.**

**So then we are no longer strangers and aliens,  
but members of the household of God,  
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.**

**In him we are joined together and grow into a holy temple,  
a dwelling place for God.**

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "The Heavens are Telling" Beethoven  
Song of Praise "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 592  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above,  
ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

\*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Choral Prayer "Bless the Lord" Berthier

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

...See Laminated Pew Cards for the Lord's Prayer

\*HYMN "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" # 298

\*BENEDICTION See Laminated Pew Cards concluding with...

Leader: . Remember that God is good **People: ...All the time!**

\*SUNG RESPONSE (Choir starts followed by Congregation)

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

POSTLUDE

"Toccata in F"

Buxtehude

**Welcome Visitors.** Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you find in the pew rack. Pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher!

**Mission Statement:** First Presbyterian Church exists to improve our understanding of Christ; to spread His word and teachings; and to reach out to our church family, our community, and the world through acts of compassion, kindness, and love

**A Staffed Nursery & Toddler Care Room** is located on the 1st floor behind the sanctuary. We also offer an optional Quiet Room for parents with small children located in the sanctuary back

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today....10:00 am ..... Worship followed by Coffee Break in parlor

11:15 pm ..... Church School

Noon ..... Youth Choir

Tues.....10:00 am ..... Prayer Shawl Ministry/Crafty Ladies

2:30 pm ..... Rescue Mission Cooking / Kari Captain

7:00 pm ..... Rockin' the Spirit in Chapel

7:00 pm Trustees in Library

Wed..... 4:20 pm ..... Rescue Mission serve at 413 E Dominick St

6:30 pm ..... Bell Choir

7:30 pm ..... Senior Choir

Thurs .....7:30 am ..... Western Pastor Group in parlor

3:00 pm ..... Bible Study in Library

BIB Packing at TUCC

7:00 pm ..... Session meets

**NEXT SUNDAY** ...Luke 9:28-36; 2 Corinthians 3:12 – 4:2

8:30 Worship, Heritage Sunday, Welsh Hymn Sing

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Ushers** are led by Don Hanson. Mar 03: Dave Scaccia

**Layreader** is Bill Nee; Mar 03: Julie Denton

**Worship Recorder** is Tom McGibbon. Mar 03: Sue Davidson

**Deacon Ramp Duty** is Carol Drumluk. Mar 03: Gail Tucker

**Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List:** Kathie Lawrence & Libba Pendergrast; Paul & Carol Berger; Allie, Amelia & Lily Kowalski; Valerie & Dan Cucura; Ray & Gail Tucker and 1<sup>st</sup> Pres Cherry Valley