

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP / MARCH 05, 2017 · 10:00 AM**

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Wondrous Love" arr Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader... People of God, on this wilderness journey,  
what will you eat?

**People.. The word of the Lord is our daily bread.**

Leader... People of God, in this time of temptation,  
how will you live?

**People.. Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.**

Leader... People of God, at this kingdom crossroad,  
whom will you serve?

**All ..... We worship the Lord our God alone.**

\*HYMN "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" # 288

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Julie Denton

Invitation  
Unison Prayer

**Lord God, you know the ways of good and evil.**

**You know the things that tempt us  
and the things that give us life.**

**You know our vulnerability, and you know our sin.**

**We confess that we have disobeyed your word,  
denying your providence and care  
and relying on our own cleverness.**

**Have mercy on us, we pray: cover us with your grace,  
feed us with the bread of life,  
and re-create us in your image;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "What Wondrous Love" # 85 (v2)  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb I will sing  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM, While millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing! While millions join the theme, I will sing!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:1-11

"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!" NT Page 2

ANTHEM "Our Souls to Save" Walter Pelz  
Valerie Wood, Soloist

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!" OT Page2

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

SERMON

\*HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together" # 513

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From 2 Corinthians 5:16-20

**From now on we regard no one from a human point of view;**

**If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
everything old has passed away; everything has become new!**

**All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ,  
and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.**

**In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,  
not counting their sin against them,  
and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.**

**So we are ambassadors for Christ,  
since God is making his appeal through us;  
we urge everyone on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.**

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Here, O Our Lord, We See You Face to Face" arr Johns

\*Song of Praise "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" # 101 (v4)  
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all

Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Each communion tray has a dish of rice cake pieces for those who avoid wheat products*

Invitation to the Table

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.**

*...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name*

**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**

*The prayer continues and concludes with The Lord's Prayer  
...using debts and debtors*

Communion of the People

\*HYMN "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days" # 81

\*BENEDICTION – concluding with...

Pastor:.....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 "Chaconne" Young

**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

**Welcome Visitors.** Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you will find in the pew rack. Don't forget to pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher. Please share a cup of coffee with us today during our fellowship time immediately after Worship in our parlor

**SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS LOCATION**

**Church School Youth: 11:15–Noon**

*(Nursery Available on the First Floor – Room 107)*

Multi-Age Group..... Room 206

Grades 7 - 12 ..... Room 201

"Violence Divine" ..... Choir Room

**Adult Church School Resumes Today** "Violence Divine: Overcoming the Bible's Betrayal of Its Non-Violent God". Weekly to Apr 9: We will work with questions about the violent themes and stories that seem to be in conflict with the ultimate goal to "reconcile all things in heaven and on earth."