

# First Presbyterian Church

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Sunday, February 14, 2021 – 9:30 a.m. In-Person, Live Streaming, and Facebook Live

## *First Sunday in Lent*

Prelude:	<i>"Prélude Modale"</i>	Jean Langlais
Hymns:	<i>"Out of Deep, Unordered Water"</i> (vs. 1, 2, 3) <i>"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"</i> (vs. 1, 2, 5)	No. 494 No. 83
First Reading:		Genesis 9:8-17
Second Reading:		1 Peter 3:18-22
Anthem:	<i>"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"</i> Kyle Stanberry, Clarinet	Deborah Governor
Sermon:	<i>"Deluge of Water: A Reminder of Death and Life after Death"</i> Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston	
Offertory:	<i>"From an Upper Room"</i> Asael Gonzalez, Tenor; Jesse Warkentin, Piano	Joseph Martin
Postlude:	<i>"If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee"</i>	J. S. Bach

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

### Praying for the Church Family

As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Doris Little, Cynthia & James Rekoske and family, Lorraine Maxwell, Cynthia Brinley, and Donn & Gretchen Mason.

### THE JOURNEY TO AGAPE

Come join us as Alice Price leads us in learning more about the type of love called Agape. The Journeys Class for February 14, 21, and 28 will discuss agape from different angles as well as how to practice it.

We will be reading *"Agape; God's Persona: It's a Book Without Life Unless with Love We Write"* (Ron Swingle) as well as touching on other writings. There will be a few copies in the office for \$10 each, or you may order one from Amazon.

Did you know that the word Agape (also known as altruism or charity) occurs **259 times** as a verb or as a noun in the New Testament?

A few days before February 14, look for an e-mail invitation from Pastor Brent or Jeff Van Sickle with the code to enter the Zoom meeting. Class will begin at 10:45 a.m. and conclude at 11:45 a.m.

The syllabus will be attached to the invitation and each week a reminder link will be sent.

"Love, in the Christian sense, does not mean an emotion. It is a state, not of feelings but of the will: that state of the will which we have naturally about ourselves, and must learn to have about other people."

C. S. Lewis (Mere Christianity)

## CHURCH SESSION MOTIONS APPROVED

**There will only be one Worship service each week at 9:30 a.m. both in-person and live streaming through May 2021.**

*(In order to maintain social distancing during worship, please do not sit in the pews that are roped off.)*

**The Session voted on February 16, 2021 and a motion was passed with 14 yea and 1 nay vote. The church will reopen for internal FPC groups of no more than 20 participants on February 17, 2021.**

- Requirements for the meetings: no shared food, practice social distancing and face masks are required. In addition, due to the cleaning/sanitizing that will be necessary after a meeting, meetings must be scheduled through the office at least 2 days in advance of desired the date/time.
- Sunday Worship and the Community Breakfast (as limited below).
  - The volunteers who make the Community Breakfast possible will be allowed to operate inside the building.
  - The Community Breakfast guests will continue to be served outside of the building.
- Member key cards will be active only during office hours from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If you need access at some other time, please call or text our Facilities Manager, Roy Yarbrough at 516-4772.
- Sunday worship services continue to require the following protocols be adhered to: face masks are required, maintain social distancing, the west entrance is the only open entrance to the building, temperatures of all participants will be taken, the collection plates will NOT be passed but instead will be placed at the doors, and there will be no congregational singing during services.
- The Session will continue to evaluate the situation and act accordingly each month.

### YOUR LEADERSHIP EDGE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The next sessions of the Kansas Leadership Center's Your Leadership Edge class will be held on March 3-4, April 14-15, and May 5-6. Courses are held online using Zoom. Sessions begin at 8:30 a.m. and end by 2 p.m. with generous breaks built into each day.

To enroll in a class:

1. Go to the Kansas Leadership Center's Your Leadership Edge page ([www.kansasleadershipcenter.org/yourleadershipedge](http://www.kansasleadershipcenter.org/yourleadershipedge))
2. Look for a blue box that says, "Create Account Here to Register." Click on that box to start your registration, then select the option to create your account.
3. Toward the end of the registration, there will be an option to enter a promo code. Be sure to enter FirstPrez2020 to waive the registration fee.
4. Watch for an email confirmation of your class registration.

The two books used in the class are available at no charge in the church office. These are *Your Leadership Edge: Lead Anytime, Anywhere* and the *KLC Guidebook*.

If you have questions about the training or need assistance with your registration, contact Cynthia Berner, facilitator of our Core Transformation Team, at 641-7587 or [ictbooks@gmail.com](mailto:ictbooks@gmail.com).

### Live Streaming News

The Worship Commission along with the Facilities Commission is delighted to announce the fiber optic installation is complete! If you had been hesitant about live-streaming because of difficulties with audio, do not hesitate any longer. With the installation of fiber optic cable, the audio and visual portions of our live streaming service are now excellent. Those who have not been live streaming, please tune in!

## **CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, February 21**

- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary) In-Person, Live Streaming, & Facebook Live
- 10:00 Refugee Worship (Rm 204)
- 10:30 Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Journey's Class (Zoom)

### **Monday, February 22**

- 6:30 KLC Transformation Team Mtg (Zoom)

### **Tuesday, February 23**

- 1:00 Staff Mtg (MS Teams)
- 2:00 Pastoral Staff Mtg (MS Teams)

### **Wednesday, February 24**

- 9:00 Dorcas (Rm C105)

### **Sunday, February 28**

- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary) In-Person, Live Streaming, & Facebook Live
- 10:00 Refugee Worship (Rm 204)
- 10:30 Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Journey's Class (Zoom)