February 3, 2019
8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Communion

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February 3, 2019  4th Sunday after Epiphany  8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude  
Cantilena  
Eugene Butler  

**Processional  
Greetings  

*Call to Worship  
Leader:  Our help is in the name of the Lord  
People: who made heaven and earth,  
Leader:  What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?  
People:  We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.  

*Prayer of the Day  
Holy God, you confound the world’s wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that by our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.  
Amen  

*Hymn  
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  
No. 281  

Call to Confession  

Prayer of Confession  
Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.  

Silence  

Choral Response  

Assurance of Pardon  

*Song of Thanksgiving  
Gloria Patri  
No. 579  

*The Peace  
Leader:  Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
People: And also with you.
Welcome, Visitors!
We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here!

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use. Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one.

All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.

Children's Information-Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. We offer children's worship bags with various quiet activities in cloth bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in The Well. Remember, quiet play in The Well is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. Also, the McComb room is available as a Cry room. And, finally, we encourage you to consider the Nursery, which is located in the South end of the Case Building, where we have trained Staff to look after and engage your child from Birth to Kindergarten. If we need to contact you during worship, just give us your cell number and we will text you. You and your child's (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children's Ministry)

A quick reminder: Under the Child Protection Policy children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or The Well without an adult escort. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Flowers-The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bob and Doris Tanner by Gary and Jill Tanner.

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: Adriana & Walter Mau, Doug & Joan Aldrich, Jerry Devins, Herb Bevan, Carol & Kenny Wright and Cynthia Brinley.

If you need a Stephen Minister, or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.
Journeys Class

“THE END OF THE AGE: Apocalypse, Tribulation, Revelation, and Hope”
How should we as Christians view the end of time? Is it a time for fear or hope? What does Jesus have to say? What about Biblical scholars and TV evangelists? We will look at the Book of Revelation, the Gospels, the Old Testament, and other sources as we consider the Last Days. So, if you want to know more about the Apocalypse, the Millennium, the Rapture, and other topics, join us beginning January 6 at 9:30 a.m. in the West Dining Room. Jeff Van Sickle will lead the group in a provocative journey through the end times. No reading required; come join us!

Brent’s Bible Study & Books of Interest Adult Education Class

For 8 weeks beginning January 9, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor, we will look at Bart Ehrman’s New York Times Best Selling Book, How Jesus Became God: The Exaltation of a Jewish Preacher from Galilee. Bart Ehrman is the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Quoting Ehrman as to why he wrote this book, “As a historian I am no longer obsessed of how God became man, but with the historical question of how a man became God.” Come to the class beginning January 9th to find out. -Pastor Brent

Books can be purchased in the office or online for approximately $15.00.

Congratulations!
The rose today is in celebration of the birth of Kyle and Melody Stanberry's daughter, Suzanna Rose Stanberry born on January 25, 2019. Suzanna weighed 6lbs and .9 ounces and 18 and was ¾ inches long. Mom and baby are doing fine. Sheldon and Melinda Sears are the proud grandparents and Michelle is the proud aunt.
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration
The Lord’s Prayer
Words of Institution
Communion of the People

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God,

People: Thanks be to God.

Communion Music  
Trust in Jesus  
Raymond Haan

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn  
Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation  
No. 516

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Recessional

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**signifies 10:45 service only

Mission Memos & Upcoming Activities

Refugee Families Need Our Help
Winter illnesses such as colds, coughs and especially the flu has hit the 18 families in our refugee congregation hard. With their limited resources it is difficult for them to purchase some of the items they need to stay healthy. The Mission Commission is asking your help to provide the following items: Kleenex (and/or handkerchiefs), toilet issue, cough syrup, cough drops, aspirin, mentholatum or Vicks VapoRub, Chapstick and bar soap. There is a collection basket outside the church office. Thanks for your support!

Wednesday Night Clubs
Wednesday night clubs are at 5:30 p.m. We have a sign up sheet available in The Well on Sundays to help contribute to our weekly meal. Thank you to all who have been a part of our Wednesday nights. We are excited to see what 2019 will bring for our children and their growing faith.

2019 Christian Fellowship Groups
Building Christian Community
See Hosts and Beginning dates!
Meet 1-2 more times as the group decides!
(You may sign up for more than one!)
Sign up in The Well or Contact the Host ASAP!

Angulo Concert
The Friends University Singing Quakers
March 3, 2019 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary
This is an event you do not want to miss. Choral music has been at the heart of the Friends University experience from the university’s inception in 1898, and since 1924 the Friends University Singing Quakers have represented this tradition of excellence and faith at home and abroad.

This event is sponsored by the Betty Angulo Memorial Concert Series.
Dr. Mark W. Bartel, Conductor
Cindy Blasdel, Accompanist

Worship Leaders
Senior Pastor  Brent O. Johnston
Parish Associate  Judy Conners
Director of Music  Steve Bixler
Organist  Mark Sweeney

Church News:
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Church Office:
- Senior Pastor
- Parish Associate
- Director of Music
- Organist
Calendar

Sunday, February 3

8:30 Worship (Chapel)
9:15 Coffee Fellowship (The Well)
9:30 Youth Sunday School (YL)
10:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
10:45 Refugee Worship (C201 & C204)
12:00 Melodrama Rehearsal (EDR)

First Reading
Exodus 20:1-3

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 2:18-25

Sermon Series on “The Questions of Existence and Meaning”
Week 3: “Did God create Man or Does Man create God?”
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith
Excerpt from Confession of 1967

Leader: God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of man’s mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

People: God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealings with men. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. God has created man in a personal relation with himself that man may respond to the love of the Creator. . . . Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage.

COMING IN FEBRUARY
2019 Christian Fellowship Groups
Sign Up Sheets will be located in The Well.

Friday, February 8
12:00 Lectionary Bible Study (WDR)

Saturday, February 9
9:00 Garden & Grounds
9:30 Transportation Mtg (C109)
11:00 Brent’s Bible Study w/WRCC (Hobbs)

Sunday, February 10
8:30 Worship (Chapel)
9:15 Coffee Fellowship (The Well)
9:30 Youth Sunday School (YL)
9:30 Journeys Class (WDR)
9:30 Stephen Ministry Supervision (C103)
10:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
10:45 Refugee Worship (C201 & C204)
10:45 Worship & Music Comm Mtg (McComb)
12:00 Melodrama Rehearsal (EDR)

Tuesday, February 5
5:00 Camp Committee Mtg (The Well)
5:30 Facilities/Stewardship Mtg (WDR)
6:00 Deacons Meeting (C109)

Wednesday, February 6
9:00 Dorcas (C105)
5:30 Wednesday Clubs
5:30 Wednesday Worship (Sanctuary)
6:15 James Ringers (Sanctuary)
6:30 Brent’s Bible Study (The Parlor)
7:00 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, February 7
5:00 Mission Commission Mtg (McComb)

*Call to Stewardship

Offertory
In Remembrance
Beryl Red
Kyle Stanberry, Clarinet

In Remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine. In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God’s own will is done. In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in. Take, eat, and be comforted, drink, and remember, too, that this is my body and precious blood, shed for you. In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love. In remembrance of me, don’t look above, but look in your heart for God. Do this in remembrance of me.

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication