First Presbyterian Church

March 10, 2019
8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

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March 10, 2019  1st Sunday in Lent  8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude  Adagio for Strings  Samuel Barber

**Processional  Brandon Bowles & Keaton Pedrino

Greetings
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

*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?
People: **We worship the Lord our God alone.**

*Prayer of the Day
O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Hymn  Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days  No. 81

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession

God at the margins,
We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way.
We turn inward, afraid of the world around us.
We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. **Amen.**

Silence
Choral Response
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.

Sympathy—We extend our Christian sympathies to Norma Tucker and Judy Weber over the unexpected death of Patrick Tucker.

Flowers—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dick’s parents, Dr. Clyde and Virginia Wieland, by Margaret and Dick Wieland.

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: Dick & Carol Blumenshine, Lynne & Glenn Ziegler, Penninah Ziegler, Paul & Barbara Works, David Alexander, and David & Marilyn Grisham.

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.
NEWS FROM THE JOURNEYS CLASS
SIGN UP FOR LENTEN STUDY GROUPS

For Lent we will be studying Howard Thurman's classic, *Jesus and the Disinherited*. It is a little book, but it is filled with insight about what the Gospel might say to those “who stand with their backs against the wall.” Thurman believed this was the situation that Jesus lived in when confronting the powers-at-be calling for repentance and it is certainly speaking to the African American experience. But it also speaks to anyone or any group that feels helpless against the forces that are lined up against them. All are welcome! *(No reading is required, but if you want the book, it is available in the church office for $16.)*

Sign-up sheets are located in *The Well*.

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Lenten Wednesday Night Adult Book Study

This past year at age ninety Presbyterian Church ((USA) pastor, the Reverend F. Morgan Roberts wrote a summary of his view of Christianity in the endearing book, *A Beautiful View: A Friendlier Christianity As A Way Of Life*. Tom Church will facilitate the study and conversation of this book at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor for the Wednesdays of Lent, beginning March 10. The book provides a regenerative spirit with which to view and practice faith. A review of the book as published in a recent issue of *The Presbyterian Outlook* is posted on the bulletin board adjacent the office. **Books are available in the church office for $15.00 or you may purchase a copy at amazon.com.** Come join us!

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Wednesday Night Clubs

Wednesday night clubs are at 5:30 p.m. We have a sign up sheets 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.
**Recessional**  
*Postlude*  
**Praeludium in g minor**  
J. S. Bach

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)  
**signifies 10:45 service only

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**Worship Leaders**

- Guest Preacher: David Fulton
- Liturgist: Judy Conners
- Director of Music: Steve Bixler
- Organist: Mark Sweeney

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**News & Upcoming Activities**

**C.R.E.W. Christians Ready Equipped and Willing**

Beginning in February, the youth group is doing Sunday school differently. After attending the APCE (Association of Presbyterian Church Educators) our Youth Director, Geri Doll, decided to bring an idea back to the youth group. The youth will meet in The Well at 10:30 a.m., then sit together in the Sanctuary for worship. The scripture readings and sermon will be our subject for discussion each Sunday and our discussion notes will be given to the pastors for them to review. Our new time together will be called C.R.E.W. and we hope this will be a meaningful way for our young people to think about and unpack God’s word. Following the discussion, the youth will have time for fellowship.

**Women’s Retreat at Westminster Woods**

Women of the area are invited to a Women’s Retreat at Camp Westminster Woods on April 5 & 6. The women only week-end filled with fun, food, crafts and fellowship will feature Katherine Holmgren as worship leader and Julie Jaderston, a Chapel leader at Sterling College. The theme is THRIVE! Julie will be teaching about how God can bring us to a place where we not only survive as women of faith but thrive. Brochures are available on the table outside the office; registration deadline is March 20. For additional information: 316-253-4783, wmwcamp@gmail.com.

**Two Cemetery Lots Available**

The Presbytery Trustees have inherited a certificate of interment rights for two lots at the Old Mission/Wichita Park Cemetery, 3424 East 21st Street in Wichita. They come from the closing of the Calvary church and are available for a total of $425, the cost to transfer the title. These lots are being made available to anyone in the Presbytery who might have an interest in them. For additional information contact Ken Coryell, ken.coryell@att.net or 316-641-8759.

**2019 is the 70th Anniversary**

**One Great Hour of Sharing**

The offering received on Palm Sunday, April 14, will support:

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- Presbyterian Hunger Program
- Self Development of People
### Calendar

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**Monday, March 11**

4:30 Personnel Mtg (Hobbs)

**Tuesday, March 12**

9:30 Lenten Study (Parlor)
5:30 Finance Meeting (Hobbs)

**Wednesday, March 13**

9:00 Dorcas (C105)
10:00 PW Study Circle (Parlor)
5:30 No Wednesday Clubs-SPRING BREAK
6:30 Adult Bible Study (Parlor)

**Thursday, March 14**

9:00 Economy Corner Bd.Mtg. (EC)

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**Assurance of Pardon**

Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care.
Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy.
Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day,
forgiving your sins for the sake of Christ, leading you from death into life.
The good news of the Gospel is this - in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Amen.**

*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.**

**First Reading**  
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

**Anthem**  
Behold, The Lamb of God (From Messiah)  
G. F. Handel

**Gospel Reading**  

**Sermon**  
“Our Life is a Journey with God in Time-Temptation”  
The Rev. David Fulton

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

**Call to Stewardship**

**Offertory**  
He was Despised (From Messiah)  
G. F. Handel

**Doxology**  
No. 592

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Hymn**  
There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit  
No. 398

**Charge and Benediction**

Leader:  The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**