

children of wrath, like everyone else. ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved — ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God — ⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Meditation

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending

Hymn of Praise


Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Charge and Blessing

Because you are the children of God,
you are not the same people you once were.
You have been restored, changed, and redeemed.
Go from this place with that understanding.
What was once broken has been made new.
He has set you apart as his own.
Go now in the knowledge that you are whole, holy and beautiful. Amen.

Postlude

Receiving the Offering



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Sunday , March 14

This Week at FPC

Tuesday - March 16
10:00 am Quilters Guild
12:00 pm Bible Study
4:30 pm FPC Leadership

Wednesday - March 17
12:00 pm Scripture & Prayer
1:00 pm My Glacier Village
5:30 pm Lenten Dinner
6:15 pm Worship Service

Thursday - March 18
9:30 am Ruth Circle
1:00 pm Naomi Circle
1:30 pm Martha Circle

Friday - March 19
11:00 am MT Woman
Foundation

Sunday - March 21
10:00 am Worship



PW Circles ~ Thursday, March 18

Ruth 9:30 am Hostess—Cheryl Study—Sandy
Martha 1:00 pm Hostess and Study—Joan
Naomi 1:30 pm Hostess—Linda

Seeking Hospital Visitors

We are so grateful to those who reach out to call or visit those who are in the hospital. We are seeking more volunteers. If you feel a calling to help bring a little joy to someone who is ill or want more information, call Carol Savage at 261-8844.

Lenten Gatherings ~ Wednesdays through March 24

Join us as we journey with Jesus to the cross. You are invited to participate each Wednesday in the following gatherings:

12:00 pm: Prayer and Scripture Service
We gather in person or ZOOM with the login information emailed each week.
5:30 pm: Soup and Bread Dinner
A light meal is offered with rich fellowship taking place around tables on the lower level. COVID protocol is followed through masking and cordial spacing.
6:15 pm: Worship & Communion
Our Taize worship includes Lectio Divina scripture readings which allow for times of contemplation and reflection. Individual plates of bread and cup are provided for communion.

Tuesday Noon Time Book Study

Beginning Tuesday, March 30, we will study *Kneeling With Giants* by Gary Hansen. This guide to prayer is rooted in centuries of Christian tradition. We will learn how each of these spiritual giants uniquely connected to God through Prayer. Books are available in the church office for a suggested cost of \$15.

Spring Community Outreach Projects

We're providing bakery treats to our four neighborhood schools the week before Spring Break. Before leaving this morning please stop and sign the "Thank You" posters! We are so grateful for all their hard work during this difficult school year.

We will also be delivering 12-15 Easter baskets to three homeless shelters for youth this year. If you'd like to participate, we need toiletries, small games or toys, and gift cards (\$10-\$20) to places like Starbucks, Target, and Subway. And, of course, individually wrapped Easter candy and plastic eggs! Thanks for your help! If you have any questions, contact a member of the Outreach Team (Barb Nelson, Sandy Smith, Heidi Long).

Christian Appalachian Project (CAP)

Presbyterian Women’s outreach mission is to the people of the Appalachians. You can help by donating the following items:

Stocking caps	Personal care items	Underwear — all sizes
Books for children	Money for building supplies	Socks — all sizes

Checks may be made payable to Presbyterian Women and memo “CAP”, and placed in the offering plate or PW box in the office. See the bulletin board for more information.

Gathering

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

Holy God, your grace is a mystery that is incomprehensible to us.
It draws us to you, inviting us into your presence.
It allows us to experience your delight in us
and helps us to trust your love which we do not deserve.
It's only by your grace that we dare to hope for eternal life with you.
Thank you for this vast mystery.
Thank you for grace that amazes, convicts, invites and consoles.
May this time of worship be a grateful response for your extravagant gift.
Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship

We are God's work of art,
Each one a precious gem, a marvelous tapestry, a potter's delight.
We are God's handiwork, reborn in Christ Jesus to be a blessing,
Every one of us, woven together in love, shaped with infinite compassion,
painted with incredible beauty.
We are God's creation,
All of us, touched by grace, saved by faith and beckoned to praise.

Song of Praise

Grace Alone

Confession of Sin

This is the judgement, that the light has come into the world,
for people loved darkness rather than light
and because their deeds were evil.
Let us uncover our sin before the liberating light of Christ.
Let us pray.
Merciful God, we confess the folly of our sin
and the hypocrisy of our complaints.
We grumble about the evils in our world,
even as we commit injustices and profit through deceit.
We fret about the scarcity of resources
while hoarding earth's goods and cheating the poor.

We protest the problems of our world,
but we do not actively work to address them.
Merciful God, expose our sins before the light of your grace.
Heal our sin and free us from our foolish ways
that we may know the joy of eternal life in Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Song of Confession

~ Sing twice and hum third time ~ Stay with Me

Assurance of Forgiveness

Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn of Praise

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

The Word

Prayer of Illumination

Almighty God, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
open your Word and illumine our darkened world,
that we may see clearly and live faithfully
by the light of your truth in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble
³ and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
¹⁷ Some were sick through their sinful ways,
and because of their iniquities endured affliction;
¹⁸ they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.
¹⁹ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;
²⁰ he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.
²¹ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
²² And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10

¹You were dead through the trespasses and sins ²in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature