

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able.**

Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children during children's sermons may be seen. If you have concerns, please contact the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We strive to be a loving family of faith nurturing the spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.

(B) Lent 3

March 3, 2024

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

People: O come, let us sing, let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

Leader: God is a great God who holds the depths of the earth, the heights of the mountains, the sea and the dry land.

People: O come, let us worship this God, our Creator.

We are God's people and God cares for us.

Let us worship this God, Creator and Lover of us all!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
(Verses 1 & 3)

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Let your commandments rule and guide us.

Forgive us for worshiping anyone or anything except you; keep us faithful.

Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships – with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy. Turn us away from violence, falsehood and selfishness.

Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out of slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith. Help us to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In the grace and love of God, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

***RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS** *Gloria Patri* Hymn #581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

***THE PEACE**

Leader: As those who have been forgiven, let us forgive our brothers and sisters. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also, with you.

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Laundry Love
Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Wellspring of eternal life, satisfy our thirst for life today and every day along life's journey through the wilderness ways. Help us to find time, in these forty days and nights of Lent, and in all our days, for spiritual refreshment and growth in grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

1 Cor. 1:18-25

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Call to Remembrance...by Farrant

A CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN Christian Education Committee

THE SECOND LESSON

Exodus 20:1-17

SERMON

Louise Jahnke

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed to persons seated in pews. Gifts/pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the "Giving" link on our website: <https://www.fpcjc.com/giving>

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #81** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*
(Verses 1 & 3)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***The Congregational Response #166** (Verse 1)

**Lord, who through-out these forty days
for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins
and close by you to stay.**



- **Our members and friends who are living in nursing home, assisted living or are partially or fully "home-bound"**
- **Roger Lawson**
- **Tim Sullivan (Danette Story's brother) and all those battling cancer**

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns and updates to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

Thanks to those who have assisted in all the parts and pieces of this morning's worship:

Pastor: Position Vacant

Worship Leader: Sandy Wong

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator and Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: Joe Markley

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for March transportation: Les Fehr (785-226-1522)

Elder on call for the week of March 3: Sheila Markley (785-280-0595)

Head Usher for March 3: Rick Munson

Acolytes for March 3 are: Ally Lankas and Delilah Standlee

Coffee Fellowship this week is hosted by Randy & Colleen Smith

Children are welcome in worship. We welcome all children and youth to stay during the worship service and experience God. If you need your young child to go to the nursery, our caretakers are ready to receive them.

Can you host Cookie Fellowship? Dates are open beginning with April 7. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchenette. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jenna Langvardt at 785-761-5815.

Reminder Daylight Savings Time begins next weekend. Set your clocks forward 1-hour Saturday, March 9, before you go to sleep.

Just a reminder that there will be **no Sunday School on March 10**. Also, **JAM and MS/HS Youth Group are canceled on Wednesday, March 13**, due to Spring Break.

Today's loose coins and change will be collected for Laundry Love.

If you have information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

If you have anything you would like to put into the **April** newsletter, please email the information to the church office no later than **March 20, 2024**. Our email address is office.fpcjc@gmail.com.

Church services are streamed at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>. You will also find links to our Facebook page and YouTube on this webpage. The worship bulletin can be found at <https://www.fpcjc.com/publications>.

When inclement weather is forecast there are three ways you can find out if the church worship service has been cancelled: WIBW (website or T.V.), our First Presbyterian Church-Junction City Facebook page, and - if we have your email address - email from the church.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday

11:00 am Staff Meeting
4:30 pm Facilities Meeting

Tuesday

2:30 pm Finance Committee
5:30 pm Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship Committee
6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday

8:30 am Worship Committee
12:30 pm Lunch Bible Study
6:30 pm J.A.M.
6:30 pm Chancel Choir
6:30 pm MS/HS Youth Group
8:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday

9:30 am Christian Education Committee

Sunday

8:30 am Glory Ringers
10:45 am Worship, child care available
Coffee Fellowship



Easter Flowers

If you would like to purchase an Easter flower, please complete this form and **return it to the church office by Sunday, March 24, 2024**

Cost of the Flowers is \$12.00

Memorials and other expressions will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

Please pick up your Easter flowers following worship service Easter Sunday.

Any flowers not picked up will be distributed as the church deems best.

Name: _____

Number of flower(s) ordering _____

BULLETIN INSCRIPTION

(Name(s) given in memory of or in honor of)

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

CAN YOU HELP?

During the month of February, the Deacons will be helping our school nurses with some of their student needs. Boxes will be in the narthex for donations of:

Middle & High School: Ladies underwear, sizes XS-XXL and Unisex black no-show socks, all adult sizes.
Elementary: Boys and Girls underwear, sizes 5-10.

Cash donations may also be made to the church designating the Deacons School Project.

Please have your donations in by March 4.

Thank you very much!!!!

Children and Youth News

What are the kids learning about?

JAM: "Wandering Heart: Figuring out faith with Peter"; A Lenten Study. This curriculum has kinesthetic scripture retellings and further engagement with the theme through crafts, books, and games.

MS/HS Youth Group: "Genesis" - Students are going through the bible, chapter by chapter, followed up by thought-provoking questions. They are currently at Genesis, Chapter 9.

Pre-K-5th Grade Sunday School: "Wandering Heart: Figuring out faith with Peter"; A Lenten Study.

MS/HS Sunday School: Students are studying "TOUGH QUESTIONS" from RE:form.

Preschool: Our younger students are also doing the "Wandering Heart" Lenten Study, with our wonderful nursery worker, Brianna Talley.

Upcoming Dates:

Sunday, March 10 - No Sunday School due to Spring Break

Wednesday, March 13 - No JAM or MS/HS Youth Group due to Spring Break



The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, March 24th, immediately after church. Ages 0-5th grade are invited to bring their baskets and join us for some egg-hunting fun in the grassy areas around the church! In case of bad weather, we will move the event inside.

The Easter Sunrise Service for our Middle and High School students will be Sunday, March 31st at Terrah Stroda's house.



*Please note there is childcare available in the nursery during Sunday School and worship service.

Contact Dawn Avery at edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com