



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

Service for the Lord's Day

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

Welcome to worship at FPC! In response to the lifting of the statewide mandate and declining virus numbers, masks are no longer required for worship or church activities.

Those who wish to continue masking are welcome to do so.

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday in Lent

The Gathering

PRELUDE

Prelude on *Via Dolorosa*
Prelude on *Woodworth*

Dale Wood
Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives:
to decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Everyone who thirsts:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord,
repent and return so that you may live.**

All who are hungry for righteousness:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord,
repent and return so that you may live.**

All who need the help of God:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord,
repent and return so that you may live.**



*Please stand as you are able.



* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God,
your kingdom has broken into our troubled world
through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son.
Help us to hear your Word and obey it,
that we may become instruments of your saving love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN #166

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Day

ST. FLAVIAN

* INVITATION TO CONFESSON

* PRAYER OF CONFESSON

Almighty and merciful God,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have been lax in keeping your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
Have mercy upon us now.
Restore us once more to wholeness as you have promised
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake,
that we may live a holy, just, and humble life
to the glory of your holy name.

Our prayers continue in silence.



* LAMB OF GOD



O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world,



have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God,



that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

John Merbecke, 1550; arr. Healey Willan, 1930

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, if we are truly penitent,
our God who is merciful will forgive our sins and will restore us to
wholeness.
Believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

Text: American folk hymn, c. 1811
Tune: WONDROUS LOVE, 12.9.12.12.9; Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835

* SHARING THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we are also to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you!

Please take a moment to be thankful for God's peace.

The Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63:1-8

Pew Bible, pg. 527 (OT)



MUSICAL OFFERING

Aria for Handbells

Dale Wood

*A way to Calvary leadeth from dark Gethsemane,
may every one behold him who weary walks that way,
the way doth lead to perfect bliss but a way of pain it is.*

— Carl G. Liander
(Handbell Choir)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13:1-9

Pew Bible, pg. 76 (NT)



The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

The Sending

* HYMN #353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK



* BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE

Threefold Amen in F

Donovan Klotzbeacher

*During the penitential season of Lent,
it is our custom to conclude worship without a postlude.*

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Spencer Parks, Associate Pastor
Rev. Brenna Dykman, Interim Associate Pastor
Rev. David Dornack, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Joyce Evans, Lay Reader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We join in holding in prayer:

Liz Dean, Ed & Janice Gehrig, Herb Grose, Bob Hastings, Fran Hermanson, Myra Rounsvell, Tom Showalter, Pete Taylor, and others facing illness and loss. If you would like your name added to the prayer section of the weekly bulletin, or confidential prayers, please contact the church office at office@firstpresportland.org or by phone at (503) 228-7331.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The sanctuary flowers today are given in loving memory of Henry and Muriel Hortenstine and Frank and Evelyn Beyer by John, Sara and Katie Hortenstine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoom Coffee Hour Today After Worship!

All who are joining us for worship service are invited to a Zoom coffee hour today following the service, from 11:35 am to noon. The Zoom link is:

<https://bit.ly/FPCCoffeeHour>

"Calling Home" In the Pocket Choral Concert -

Sunday, March 27

Celebration Works presents In the Pocket, vocal sextet, on March 27th at 2pm. Join us live or online for a concert of unaccompanied choral music exploring what it means to find home. In the Pocket members Madeline Ross, Laura Chase, Arielle Sazima, Alec Chase, Matt Faunt, and Rick Jones offer a diverse program of classical and popular music by Danielle Jagelski, Ysaye Barnwell, Billy Joel, and more. Our community spotlight for this concert is Community Warehouse whose mission is to connect essential furnishings to neighbors in need through unique community partnerships, creating stronger home foundations and brighter futures for all.

Information about the concert and the link to watch online can be found here: <https://bit.ly/CelebrationWorks>

Palm Sunday Brunch at Menucha

It's been a long time since we've been able to gather this way - it's exciting! Plan ahead to gather at Menucha for brunch on Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022. This beloved annual event features a lovely lunch from Menucha's amazing kitchen. Hot cross buns will be included in meal (but not for sale). After lunch, everyone is free to walk Menucha's gorgeous grounds or linger for conversation with friends. Newcomers are especially welcome and encouraged to attend! Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up; \$15 for ages 7-12; and kids 0-6 eat for free. Rides can be arranged. Scholarships available upon request; please speak with a pastor. You can buy your tickets today after worship at Coffee Hour or online at this link:

<https://bit.ly/PalmSundayBrunch22>

Call for Fellowship Hosts

We're delighted to be able to have coffee fellowship after worship again. Would you like to take a turn in hosting? Or providing the sliced cheese? Hosts make the coffee and set everything out, then clean up afterwards. (They also bring the half & half.) It's a fun volunteer job that you can do monthly or occasionally. If you're interested, contact Lauren Deming laurendeming511@gmail.com.

Dedicate an Easter Lily!

Every Easter, lilies adorn our sanctuary, and are given to home-bound or ill members of FPC to brighten their Easter season. You can help offset the cost of the lilies by donating \$15 in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Fill out the enclosed form and make your payment through CCB, or select "Pay Later" to mail a check to the church office. Donations are due by Sunday, April 10. Please include \$15 for each person remembered or honored. To order online: <https://bit.ly/EasterLily2022> Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church with Easter Lilies in memo. Names of those remembered and honored will be published in the worship bulletin on Easter Sunday, April 17.

Remembering Cora Smith

Open Circle members will gather to honor the memory of Cora Smith at 10:00 am on Thursday, March 24, in the Whitman Room. All who knew and loved this vibrant member of our congregation are welcome to join us. Cora died on May 25, 2021, when the pandemic made it difficult to hold a memorial. We would like to provide a space to share our stories and memories of our dear sister in Christ.

Purposeful Work Party at Menucha

Join us for our first volunteer work party of 2022 on Saturday, March 26, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm!

Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/MarchWorkParty>

Questions? Cloie Cohen, Development Director, cloie@menucha.org or 503-695-2243

Arts & Music Sunday - March 27

Kids! Please make sure your parents and grandparents mark the calendar on Sunday, March 27. You do not want to miss out on the opportunity to PLAY and experience Andean rhythm instruments for "Arts and Music Sunday". Maria Olaya, originally from Colombia, is a classical guitarist, music teacher, and will be our guest teacher for the day! Maria has performed all over the world and she is going to bring her many gifts to share with YOU! Come to church Sunday, March 27 and then join us upstairs during Sunday School for 45 minutes of music from across the globe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Racial Diversity Workshops in April

A coalition of local congregations, including First Presbyterian, is bringing David Campt and The Dialogue Company to Portland this spring. The Dialogue Company is committed to building the capacity of people, organizations, and communities to defuse racism by engaging in positive, inclusive dialogue. The purpose of the trainings is to encourage and inspire people to have constructive conversations about race and help provide the tools to do so. The workshops will be at Westminster on April 21-23. FPC has 15 scholarship spots for \$20 to attend both the keynote and session one. E-mail bdkman@firstpresportland.org to claim a spot. For a calendar of events and ticket prices, click on the following link: <https://bit.ly/3CNLdAl>

Join us April 3 for Lemon Bars with Ann Walsh!

The monthly Zoom cooking lessons that we call “Cooking It Up with First Pres” continue in April! Please join guest host, Ann Walsh, on Sunday, April 3 at 5:00 pm. Ann will share her recipe and show us the finer points of making Lemon Bars. These tart-and-sweet treats would be a great addition to your table at Easter or anytime. Sign up through this Evite: <http://evite.me/fYfq5qsUxv>

Learning Together Through Lent

Join us on Sundays after church from 12-1:00 pm in-person or online to reflect on being a “beloved community.” To sign up to be a part of this group and receive an electronic PDF of the devotion, please e-mail Pastor Brenna at bdkman@firstpresportland.org or call the church office.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81652694626>

Volunteering with Community Meals

FPC is teaming up with a new mission partner, Community Meals, to provide a once-a-month dinner for our neighbors in the Rosenbaum Plaza (one block from the church). Come cook, serve, and share a meal for the first Thursday of the month starting in May. We need at least 5 more people to join the team and ask that people commit to serving for 6 months so that we can build relationships with our neighbors. To sign up to help or learn more, contact Pastor Brenna.

New Art Exhibit from PSU

Portland State University’s Collaborative Comics Project Team’s “Changing the Narrative: Stories of Student Homelessness and Housing Instability” is on display in Geneva Hall this month. (Some stories are traumatic and may not be appropriate for children; parental discretion is advised.) For the full story of this exhibit visit: www.pdx.edu/homelessness/StudentStories

Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

During the month of March our youth are raising funds for this year’s mission trip to work up at the Yakama Reservation with SLAM (Students Learning About Mission). There are two ways to help support our youth. First, the youth will be collecting soft goods* (see details below) to be resold/recycled in our FUNDrive where our youth will receive monetary compensation for each pound collected. Stop by the Chapel Narthex to donate soft goods or to pick up a small or large bag to fill and bring it back any day in March. If you don’t have soft goods to donate and still want to support our youth, we have mini-bags you can fill with a monetary gift; change, cash, or checks to the church. We are so grateful for all ways our congregation cares for and supports our youth.

**All clothing including (men’s, women’s, children’s), clothing accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, ties, nylons, socks, underwear), personal accessories (purses, wallets, fanny packs, bags), bed and bath (towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, curtains, tablecloths), shoes (all types) and other cloth materials. Please make sure items are washed before donating.*

Refugee Restart Kits

While the refugee crises are no longer headlining news, the number of people seeking safe haven in the USA is staggering. The FPC Mission Committee has teamed up with Refugee Care Collective, working with the major resettling agencies in Oregon, to help welcome our new neighbors. We are collecting new items to put together “Restart Kits.” You are invited to visit <https://bit.ly/RefugeeRestart> to see what is needed and then bring those items to the church any day in March. If you would like to donate, contact Pastor Brenna at bdkman@firstpresportland.org.



The Tower of Siloam (*Le tour de Siloë*)
James Tissot, 1886-1896



LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Vision Statement:

At First Presbyterian Church, we commit to building faithfully on our legacy as a Christ-centered community, serving the spiritual needs of a multi-generational congregation, welcoming and accepting all, honoring all voices. Through engaging worship, thoughtful education, warm fellowship and caring outreach, we will develop and sustain disciples for Christ, serving our neighbors near and far.

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