**GO IN GOD’S NAME**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #215**   *What Wondrous Love Is This* (verses 1-3)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** #748

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way**

**through this and every coming day,**

**that in Your Spirit strong and true**

**our lives may be our gift to You.**

**POSTLUDE** Improvisation on “*What wondrous love is this”*

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

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

**Pastor:** Tim Maguffee

**Worship Leader:** Therese Barber

**Chancel Choir Director:** Joe Markley

**Music Coordinator:** Sheila Markley

**Organist:** Lars Quincke

**Head Usher:** Barby Craft

**Acolyte:** Kal-El Barber

**Video preparer/Operators:** Jim & Annette Ray

**Key Deacon for Mar. transportation**:Pete Young(785-492-9323)

**Elder on call** for the week of March 8th is Barby Craft (785-238-3857)

Coffee Fellowship is hosted by the Edleston’s.

**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. Children in grades K-5 are welcome to attend Children’s Worship in room 207 following a “Time for Children and Youth”.

**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.

**(A) Lent 2 March 8, 2020**

**PRELUDE**   Improvisation on “*What wondrous love is this*”

# **GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

# **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: From where will our help come?

**People: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: Who is our keeper?

**People: The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.**

Leader: How long will God protect us?

**God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #49** *The God of Abraham Praise* (verses 1-2, 4)

**\*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith.**

(silent prayers of confession)

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

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

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

**\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS** Hymn #618 (verse 5)

**All glory to our Lord and God,**

**for love so deep, so high, so broad:**

**the Trinity whom we adore**

**forever and forevermore.**

**\*THE PEACE**

Leader: 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**

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

**God our helper, our shade, our protector, you are able to give life to the dead, to call into being things that do not exist. We trust in your power to make all things new; to keep us in sunlight and moonlight, along rocky paths and pathways unknown; until all our going and coming brings us at last to your kingdom promised in Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON**  *Genesis 12:1-4a*

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CHORAL ANTHEM** *Hear My Prayer by* Hogan

**TIME FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

**SECOND LESSON** *John 3:1-17*

**SERMON**

**RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**\*HYMN #286** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Romans 8:35, 37-39*

Leader: Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship or distress? Will persecution or famine? Will danger or death?

**People: No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (sung)

**Hear our prayer, O Lord; Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Incline thine ear to us; And grant us thy peace. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

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

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**There are no Acolytes signed up for next week.**  If you are able to help on any of the upcoming weeks please sign your children up, and remember to put your child’s first and last name as they will be listed in the bulletin. Please contact Lisa Nabus, Acolyte Coordinator with any questions.

**There will be** no J.A.M. on Wednesday, March 11th. Enjoy your Spring Break!

**Christian Education is in need of plastic Easter eggs and candy** to fill the Easter Eggs for our Children's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4th. There is a basket set up in the Narthex starting for your donations.

**The next First Presbyterian Youth Group** will be on Sunday, March 15th at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

**CHANGE FOR CHANGE:** We collected $310.89 in loose change for Delivering Change yesterday.  Thank you all for your generous donations.

**If anyone would like a FISH BOX** to use to collect money for One Great Hour of Sharing during the Lenten season, they are on the desk in the narthex.

**The New 2020 Flower Calendar** is posted in the hall by the church office. There are still plenty of Sundays available for you to sign up on the calendar. If you have any questions you may call Vannessa at 238-8809. Thank you.

If you have anything you would like to have put into the **April** newsletter please email the information to the church office no later than March 20th, 2020. Our email address is [office.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpcjc@gmail.com).

**There is a signup sheet** on the bulletin board for head ushers for 2020.  Please feel free to add your name to the list.

If you have information you would like in the **bulletin** please let the church office know by Wednesday morning before the Sunday you would like it included. You may call 238-1191 or email your info to [office.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpcjc@gmail.com).

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday**

8:30 am Glory Ringers Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am Sunday School (Ages 4yo to Adult)

10:45 am Worship, child care available

**Monday**

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday**

12:30 pm Bible Study

6:00 pm Recovery Harbor

6:30 pm IG Handbell Rehearsal

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

8:00 pm AA Meeting

**Thursday**

5:00 pm Weight Watchers

**Saturday**

12:30 pm Recovery Harbor

**Sunday**

8:30 am Glory Ringers Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Sunday School (Ages 4yo to Adult)

10:45 am Worship, child care available

6:30 pm MS/HS Youth Group

**DEACONS' HYGIENE KIT PROJECT**

Due to the generosity of our congregation, the Hygiene Kit Project continues to fill a need in our community.The big **Red Tub** is in the Narthex for you to place your items as you shop our list of items. We will continue to take donations throughout the month of March for future distributions.

We are happy to do the shopping for you if you prefer to make a monetary donation. Please make sure to indicate it is for the “hygiene kits” on your envelope or check. Thank you for stepping up and helping fill this need for our children.

**HYGIENE KIT SHOPPING LIST**

Comb

Brush

Deodorant

Shampoo

Conditioner

Body Wash

Underwear (sizes for high-school students)

Toothbrush and Toothpaste

We thank you for your continued support of this project.

Your current Deacons are: Janet Parrish~Jorja Poppe~Nancy Sampson~ Peter Young~Krista Blaisdell~Corrine Fehr~John Ison~Sheila Markley~ Brenda Boyd~Pam Haynes~Shawn Windes~Carolyn Zumbrunn

**** Easter Flowers 

If you would like to purchase an Easter flower,

please complete this form and **return it to the**

**church office by Sunday, April 5, 2020**

**Cost of Flowers is $12.00**

Memorials and other expressions will be printed

in the bulletin on

Easter Sunday, April 12th, 2020

**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

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