



The People of First Presbyterian Church

OUR GATHERING

The Prelude Sarabande from *French Suite #1 in d minor* J.S. Bach

Striking the Hour

Choral Call to Worship *Restore in Us, O God* Baylor
“Three –personed God, fulfill the promise of your grace,
that we, when all our searching ends, may see you face to face.”

Welcome, Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Call to Worship
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

And also with you
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
Everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.
Let us worship God.

+The Opening Hymn, 490 *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*
See Attached

Prayer of Confession
God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Jesus Christ spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach those who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Choral Prayer Response *Kyrie* Arr. J. Rouse
“Lord have mercy on us; Christ have mercy on us”

Assurance of Pardon

THE WORD

Musical Offering *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
Thomas and Hillary Richardson

The Word of God John 11: 1-45

Sermon “God’s Grief” Reverend B.J. Chain

Prayer of the People and 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.

OUR RESPONSE

+Affirmation of Faith from Romans 8
We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose. We are 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. Amen.

The Gloria Patri, 581 *Glory Be to the Father*
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.

+Hymn, 775 *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

Call for the Offering

Offertory *My Lord What a Mornin’* Arr. Mark Hayes

+Doxology, 606
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication
Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you. Amen

THE SENDING

+Sending, 735 *I Need Thee Every Hour* Lowry

+Charge and Benediction

+Postlude *Gavotte in G Major* J.S. Bach

+ Indicates a time to stand as you are comfortable in doing so
Please join in unison reading of the bold print

Session

B.J. Chain, Moderator Cathy Young, Clerk
Class of 2020
Bonnie Boyd-4
Eric Waits-4
Fran Brown-1
Class of 2021
Brad Beckham-3
Dennis Harmon-2
Don Whitman-4
Cathy Young-1
Class of 2022
Tom Hatcher-2
Hope Oakes-3
Becky Owings-1
Alan Smith-2
Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group

Diaconate

Class of 2020
Gary Goodwin-4
Lee Hackett-1
Jo Shumake-1
Class of 2021
Collene Albright-3
Patty Collins-2
Taylor Richardson-2
Class of 2022
Harolyn Jones-2
Elizabeth Lot-4
Emma Richardson-3
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First Presbyterian Church of Columbus
Join us as we sing

Date: March 29, 2020

Opening Hymn: #490 Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

“Wash, O God, your sons and daughters,
newborn creatures of your womb.
Number them among your people
raised like Christ from death and tomb.
Weave them garments bright and sparkling;
Compass them with love and light.
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,
Holy dove and heart’s delight.

O how deep your holy wisdom!
Unimagined, all your ways!
To your name be glory, honor!
With our lives we worship praise!
We your people stand before you,
Waterwashed and Spirit born.
By your grace, our lives we offer.
Recreate us; God, transform!

Choral Prayer Response: Kyrie --Arr. J. Rouse
“Lord have mercy on us; Christ have mercy on us”

Offertory Hymn: #775 I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

“I want Jesus to walk with me,
All along my pilgrim journey.
When I’m in trouble, Lord, walk with me
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
I want Jesus to walk with me.”

Offertory: My Lord What a Mornin’ Arr. Mark Hayes
“My Lord, what a mornin’ when the stars begin to fall.
Done quit all my worldly ways, joined that heavenly band.”

Sending Hymn: #735 I Need Thee Every Hour --Lowry

“I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like thine can peace afford.

REFRAIN:

I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior – I come to thee!
I need thee every hour, Most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son.

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