



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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WE'RE BEING
WATCHED

FEBRUARY 25, 2024
11 a.m.

SENIOR PASTOR
DR. MIKE GARRETT

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | February 25, 2024 | Second Sunday of Lent

Prelude

"Hymn of Promise"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

arr. John Ferguson

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #166 "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days" ST. FLAVIAN
*Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.*

*Abide with us, till when this life of suffering shall be past,
an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last.*

Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Jeff Shaver

Hymn #326

"For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE

Call To Confession

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Jeff Shaver

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Now is our time to speak, but we are too often silent. Now is our time to do what is just, but we are afraid. Forgive our sins and have mercy on us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Remind us of the lives of faithful saints who came before us. In the power of your Holy Spirit make us like those faithful saints for the sake of all who are yet to follow. Hear now the silent prayers of our hearts. (Our prayer continues in silence.)
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Jeff Shaver

Response #581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

Anthem

"Gentle Shepherd"

William J. Gaither

The First Presbyterian Men's Quartet:
Adam Farnham, Don Perkins, Ralph Huff and Tim Lloyd

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Debra Chestnutt

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

Prayer Response # 601

"Amen"

DANISH AMEN

Offering

Offertory Anthem

"Wayfaring Stranger"
The Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Ken Berg

Offertory Response, # 606 "Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

Offertory Prayer

Time for Children

Children 2nd grade and under are invited to Children's Church+

Scripture

Hebrews 11:1-12; 11:39-12:3

Message

"We're Being Watched"

Dr. Mike Garrett

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn #731

"Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm"

REPTON

Benediction

Benediction Response

"Go Now In Peace"

Besig and Price

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*

Postlude

"Prelude and Fugue in e minor (BWV 533)"

J. S. Bach

Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

+ Children's Church is available for young elementary age children and meets in room 118 of the Nursery Wing. Childcare is available for all worship services in the Nursery Wing.

**Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Eller Hall.
Thank you to today's fellowship hosts, Elders Class of 2026!**

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving honor of Billy and Olivia Herring on their 55th wedding anniversary by their children, Mary Parker, Ashley Marx, and Will Herring.

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God
by the Chapel Flower Guild.

Giving & Tithes

Contributions help us continue our ministry and mission to serve Christ and share His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach. Scan the code to the right to make a financial contribution -or- visit <http://www.firstprez.com/give/>.



FLOWER DONORS NEEDED FOR MARCH

Contact Debra Chestnutt at debra@chestnutt.com or (910) 818-9006
Monetary donations for flowers can be made to the church office.
Please notate "Sanctuary Flowers" on checks.

The **sanctuary renovation** team is delighted to announce that the drive is off to a great start! Please turn in your pledge cards with the offering or drop it off in the office. To complete your pledge card on line and to view the Sanctuary Modernization brochure, visit firstprez.com/sanctuary-modernization or scan the QR Code.



If you have questions, contact Ralph Huff, Buzz Loyd or Wade Byrd.

Happening Today

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 10 a.m. Get Ready! Get Set! Worship!
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Confirmation
- 12:30 p.m. First Friends
- 4:30 p.m. Kingdom Kidz & Youth
Children's Sunday Rehearsal
- 4:30 p.m. MOPs Meeting

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 26

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 5:15 p.m. Women's Ensemble
- 6 p.m. David's Mighty Men
- 6:15 p.m. Canticle Ringers

Tuesday, February 27

- S.A.L.T. trip to Fayetteville Historical Museum
- 12 p.m. Pastor's Lunch Bunch
- 6:30 p.m. COAP Meeting (Zoom)
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 28

- 5:30 p.m. All In Fellowship Meal
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Christian Education
- 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 29

- 10 a.m. Tapestry

Upcoming Events

- Mar 3 • Children's Sunday
- Mar 4 • PW Coordinating Team Meeting
- VBS Committee Meeting
- Congregational Care Meeting
- Engagement Committee Meeting
- Mission Committee Meeting
- Mar 5 • S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's
- Worship Committee Meeting
- C. E Committee Meeting
- Mar 9 • Rise Against Hunger
- Mar 10 • Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Mark Mueller
- Confirmation
- Mark Mueller presentation & dinner
- Stephen Ministry Meeting
- Mar 11 • Officers Mission Meeting
- Finance Committee Meeting
- Stated Deacons Meeting
- Martha Circle
- Mar 13 • Craig Morrison Presentation & Meal
- Club 543
- Mar 14 • Hannah Circle
- Mar 17 • Guest Speaker Colleen Hernandez
- Mar 21 • Theology On Tap
- Mar 23 • Mexico Mission Trip Deadline
- Mar 24 • Palm Sunday Celebration
- Congregational Potluck Luncheon
- Children's Easter Egg Hunt
- "The Road To Calvary" Rehearsal
- Mar 26 • S.A.L.T. trip to Nasher Art Museum
- Mar 27 • "The Road To Calvary" & dinner
- Mar 30 • Easter Orchestra Rehearsal
- Mar 31 • Easter Service
- H3F Easter Luncheon
- Apr 20 • S.A.L.T. trip to Temple Theatre
- Jun 1-8 • Mexico Mission Trip

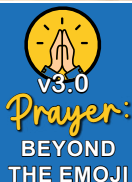
February 28th All In Fellowship Wednesday Meals

Enjoy a weekly Wednesday meal with potluck sides, family & friends at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall *followed by an Adult Education Class with Dr. Garrett at 6:30 p.m. "The After Party Toward Better Christian Politics,"* or join the Celebration Choir Rehearsal.

Please contact Kristan Mathews at robandkristan@gmail.com if you would like to bring chili to the cook off!



RSVP is not necessary, however you can sign up for a dish at bit.ly/AIFPotluck or call the church office. You can bring a salad, side, dessert or bread that will serve 8 to 10 people or pay \$8 per adult (age 13+) and \$3 per child (age 5-12). The meal cap is \$20 per family. Childcare upon request by the prior Monday. Email britany@firstprez.com for childcare.



The Engagement Committee is planning "Prayer: Beyond the Emoji v3.0" beginning in the spring. We meet in the homes of members to facilitate prayer in our Christian walk. We want prayer to be even more than folded hands in a text thread. If you have topics related to the discipline of prayer that you would like to see discussed in small group, send an email to vice moderator Rodney Baker at baker4state@gmail.com.



First Friends will meet Hannah Shaver today at 12:30 p.m. for lunch at Haymount Truck Stop (100 Broadfoot Avenue).

KINGDOM KIDZ & YOUTH MEETS TODAY 4:30-6:30PM



March 3rd

BIBLE, FELLOWSHIP & DINNER

March 10th - Pajama Night!
Mission projects

February 25th

Youth - Meet in youth room

Kidz - Children's Sunday Rehearsal

March 17th

Mission projects & special guest Colleen Hernandez



SAVE THE DATE!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY IS MARCH 3RD!

Save the Date!

March 24th

Palm Sunday Celebration & Easter Egg Hunt after the 11am worship service



This is My Body, a Lenten devotional, explores how Jesus lived in his body on earth and invites us to take care of—and embrace the goodness of—our own bodies. Each week highlights a different story from Jesus' life and connects it to shared human experiences—like growing up, taking naps, or drinking water.



Find printed copies in Eller Hall or download a copy at bit.ly/2024LentenDevotional

WELCOME



INTERESTED IN JOINING OR LEARNING MORE ABOUT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON - MARCH 3RD AT 12:15PM

PLEASE JOIN DR. GARRETT AND OTHERS FOR LUNCH AT 12:15PM FOLLOWING OUR 11AM WORSHIP SERVICE ON MARCH 3RD, IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM. TO RSVP CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (910) 483-0121, SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT BIT.LY/WELCOMELUNCH2024

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS GOD DOING? GOD'S MISSION IN OUR TIME

MISSION CONFERENCE WEEK

MARCH 9 - 17

WITH SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS



REV. DR. MARK MUELLER
Executive Director of
The Outreach Foundation

COLLEEN HERNANDEZ
Associate Director of Faith Ministry



FIND THE MISSION CONFERENCE SCHEDULE, EVENT DETAILS AND REGISTER ONLINE BY VISITING firstprez.com/mission-conference



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TO 1 MILLION MEALS!**

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

MISSION CONFERENCE KICK OFF AT 8:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY.

MEAL PACKING BEGINS AT 9AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.



Volunteers must register for RAH. Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/RAHMarch2024 to register online.

Childcare will be provided for younger children. Elementary age and up are welcome to help with packing. To help with planning, please register for childcare by visiting bit.ly/RAHKids

SCAN ME



THE ROAD TO CALVARY

Walk with Jesus on the road to the cross.
Experience the Passion as never before.

Invite your friends and neighbors to attend!

Wednesday, March 27

6 p.m. Catered Dinner in Fellowship Hall - Registration opens soon
7 p.m. Dramatic Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary

Performed by the First Presbyterian Church Worship Arts Troupe & the Celebration Choir.

s.a.l.t.

Seasoned Adults Learning Together
Monthly Fellowship Breakfast & Excursions

**S.A.L.T. will meet for breakfast
at JK's deli on March 5th.**

March 26th Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University

Contact Nancy Billman 910-916-5994 for reservations by March 16.

April 20th Million Dollar Quartet at Temple Theatre, Sanford

Contact Melanie Strickland at mhstrickland01@aol.com by March 1st.

May 16th Historic Hillsborough

Contact Patsy Markham at (910) 868-3001 by May 13th.



2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 17 - 20, 9AM TO 12PM
registration begins in March!

Grab your dive buddies for a whale of a good time!

vbs volunteers are needed!

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact:
Andrea Horosko at ahorosko82@gmail.com or Britany Spivey at britany@firstprez.com



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ARE YOU A FIRST TIME VISITOR?

We'd love to connect with you!

Be sure to fill out a Connect Card and put it in the offering plate or leave it with the pastor on your way out. We also have a gift for you!

PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. Michael Garrett, Senior Pastor

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Sunday Services

9 a.m. Early Service, Chapel | 11 a.m. Service, Sanctuary

Our mission at First Presbyterian Church is to *serve* Jesus Christ and *share* His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach within our community and throughout the world.

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