



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH NORMAN

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 18, 2024



PRELUDE

Reflection on “Nettleton”

Dr. Thomas Dickey

John Wyeth and James Koerts

WELCOME

Rev. Michael East

Welcome to worship! No matter who you are, all are welcome here. We are a community of disciples making our corner of the world more like the Kingdom of God. Please sign in on the Welcome Pad and pass it down the pew so that all who attend worship today can add their name and greet one another.

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Come in.
Feel your feet on the floor.
Settle your worries.
Take a deep breath.
Dust the cobwebs from your ears.
Relax the tension in your jaw,
for Christ is here.

**God never stops seeking us.
We have been found.
Let us find God in return.
Amen.**

*HYMN 475

Come, Thou Fount

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION + WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Loving God,
You call us by name.
You join us in the deep waters of life.
You invite us to drop our nets and follow you,
and yet, more often than we'd like to admit, we are like Peter.
Over and over again, we stand slack jawed and surprised
to find you in our midst.

Forgive us for drowning out your voice with our own.
Forgive us for assuming that we can tackle deep waters by ourselves.
Forgive us for forgetting that you will never stop climbing into our boat.
Turn our hearts, our minds, and our spirits toward you,
for you are the Lord our God, and it is in your name that we pray.
Amen.

*HYMN 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.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*HYMN 175

Seek Ye First (vs. 1, two times)

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Molly Rambur

The Lord be with you.

And also with you. Go in peace.

SCRIPTURE READINGS + SERMON

Rev. Michael East

Psalm 25:1-10 (Page 681)

Hymn 420

Lord, to You My Soul Is Lifted (Psalm 25)

Luke 5:1-11 (Page 1250)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Abide with Me

Chancel Choir

Arranged by Gilbert M. Martin

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY + 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.

OFFERTORY

Reflection on a Genevan Psalm

Dr. Thomas Dickey

Dale Grotenhuis

*HYMN 606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in a God of abundance—
a God who sees possibilities where I cannot,
and who holds onto hope when I am at the end of my rope.
I believe in a God who comforts—
a God who says, “Do not be afraid;”
a God who joins me in life’s deep waters.
I believe in a God who invites—
a God who says, “Follow me,”
and, “You will be fishers of people.”
I believe in a God who seeks after me relentlessly and persistently—
a God of second chances and boundless mercy;
a God who calls us by name.
We believe.
Help our unbelief.
In Christ’s name we pray.
Amen.

*HYMN 757

Today We Are Called to Be Disciples

*BLESSINGS & BENEDICTION

**O God, our times are in your hand:
Look with favor on your beloved children as they begin another year.
May their days of celebration be filled with love, and laughter, and goodness, we pray.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Variations on “Kingsfold”

Dr. Thomas Dickey

Charles Callahan

The flowers in the sanctuary today are provided by the Kruger family.



WHAT'S HAPPENING

For additional information regarding any of these events, please email office@fpcnorman.org.

Sunday, Feb. 18

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30-10:15 AM

WORSHIP

10:30-11:30 AM

SECOND WIND BOARD MEETING

3:30 PM

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES @ MAHAFFEY FARM

4:00-6:00 PM

RELIGION & SCIENCE

7:00 PM

Monday, Feb. 19

YOGA

4:00 PM

TRUSTEES MEETING

6:00 PM

CIRCLE 6

6:30 PM

CONVERSATIONS ON TAP

7:00 PM

Tuesday, Feb. 20

NEW TESTAMENT IN NEW WAYS

4:00 PM

Wednesday, Feb. 21

YOGA

4:00 PM

CHANCEL BELLS REHEARSAL

6:00 PM

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

7:00 PM

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

7:00 PM

Thursday, Feb. 22

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

7:30 AM

THRIFT SHOP

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

VERSES & PRAYERS

6:00 PM

Friday, Feb. 23

YOGA

9:30 AM

Saturday, Feb. 24

NO ACTIVITIES



TONIGHT! CONTACT SUSAN
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First Presbyterian Church Prayer List

Kathy Anderson, Tom & Barbara Boyd, Bill & Betty Braun, Dennis Busch, Nancy Estes, Mary Hornbuckle, Ken Hoving, Joshua Hyde, Hugh Jeffers, Ken & Jean Kugler, Nolonda's friend Andrea, Chip & Wendi Whittier

For those new to First Presbyterian Church, we welcome you! To receive our weekly email with details regarding services and church events, please add your contact info on the Welcome Pad and check the box "Add to Email List."

We're glad you are here!