

THE
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
AT CALDWELL

***Our Purpose:
To help all people build life-transforming
relationships with God and each other.***



***The members and friends of FPC welcome people from all backgrounds - -
people of faith from throughout the world, people who profess no faith,
Christians of all denominations and those who are searching
for religious and spiritual meaning.
Welcome!***

**March 1st, 2020
9:30AM**

***1st Sunday in Lent
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper***

GATHERING

REFLECTION

*“Don’t walk in front of me, I may not follow.
Don’t walk behind me, I may not lead. Walk beside me and be my friend.”*

-Albert Camus

PRELUDE

“O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Sin” BWV 622

J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Barbara Heil, Deacon

Today the journey begins. Are you ready?

There is so much I still have to do. I am not sure I'll ever be ready.

Let go of those things that chain you to despair.

Lord, help me look and see the ways in which I have abandoned you.

Come, let us worship and feel the power of freedom in God.

Open our hearts today to receive your freeing love, O Lord.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN NO. 757

*“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”
Serving as Acolyte today is Samantha Ducey*

Kingsfold

CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of infinite patience and love, we come to you this day, having just gone through the season of greed. We embark on this Lenten journey not sure if we want to make the spiritual trip. It is easy for us to get caught up in our own needs and our own anxieties. We are a people of great “want,” and we need to become a people of great “faith.” Stop us and remove us from the self-destructive journey on which we were living. Place us on your track of hope and salvation. Forgive our stubbornness, and heal our sorrowful souls.

PERSONAL CONFESSION

Through the grace of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

...Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 519 *“You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”*

Jernigan

**You are my strength when I am weak;
you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.
When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry,
you fill my cup; you are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worth is your name!
Jesus, Lamb of god, worthy is your name!**

PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Presentation of the Third Grade Bibles

***Please note:** Following Time With The Children, the children will remain until the end of worship in the pews designated for each class.*

PARISH LIFE

***Members, friends and visitors,** please sign the Friendship Pad in each pew and pass it to the person next to you. The last person will pass the pad back to the first person, who will then please place the sheet in the offering plate. **Worshippers are invited to use the cards in the pew racks for prayer requests so we may share one another’s joys and concerns.** Please place the cards in the offering plate and the staff will include them with their prayers this week.*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Turn Back, O Man”
Chancel Choir

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

*RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING NO. 607

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 23:32-49

Page 83, NT

SERMON

“Dying As He Lived”

Rev. Don Brown

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed *(led by 5th grade class)*

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. *(*or universal)*

*HYMN NO. 172

“Blest Are They”

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GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(led by K-1st grade class)*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(thanks to the 2nd grade class for preparing the communion elements)

PRAYER

GOING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO.733 St. 3

“We All Are One in Mission”

Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

Now let us be united and let our song be heard.

Now let us be a vessel for God’s redeeming word.

**We all are on in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.**

***THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please exchange greetings of welcome and peace with your neighbor.

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

† Thank you to the 2nd Grade Communion Class and their teachers Kaitlyn Heun and Amy Kolb for preparing the table for the Lord's Supper. Our Communion servers this week are: Paul Califf, Bonnie Chiappetta, Sally Cooperson, Stephen Cornman, Lisa Edwards, Kris George, Donna Heun, Kaitlyn Heun, Ellen Nicol and Sandra Calvert Nathans.

† Your prayers of intercession are requested for those members and friends known to be *currently or recently hospitalized or who continue to need our prayers and support:*

...Maggie Bischoff, Alice Brackmann, Harry Coppens, Jay Courter, Catherine Fleming, Neil Garland, Diane Hanley, Sandra Harvey, Bill Hayden, Ann Hicock, Bob Hicock, Brian Johnson, Sandy Johnson, Edna Lawshe, Mimi Page, Kaye Prasad, Louise Ritscher, Richard Rose, Ginny Schmidt, Marlene Todd, and Debbie Wefferling.

The church office will be happy to verify their home addresses for should you wish to send them words of encouragement or get well wishes.

†The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God...

...in memory of Ursula and Charles Whitney by Alice and Gordon Gibson



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