



Worship Services

March 24, 2024
9:00 · 11:15 AM

*First Presbyterian is a Welcoming Church Community in Downtown Macon
Committed to Knowing Christ and Making Him Known.*

Welcome

TO OUR GUESTS

We want to welcome you today! More information about our church is available on our website at fpcmacon.org.

SPIRITUAL CARE

If you would like to speak to someone about what it means to know Jesus Christ or you have any spiritual need or question, please speak to one of the pastors after the service.

CHILDREN'S BIBLE LESSON

We provide a Bible lesson and music for children in Pre-K through second grade during the services. Children will be dismissed from the service and escorted to their classroom before the sermon. Please pick up your children after the first service or Sunday school on the second floor of Cornerstone and after the second service in the nursery. If this is your first Sunday at FPC, please walk your child to the Bible lesson to check them in.

NURSERY

Nursery is provided for 3K and under from 8:45 AM-12:15 PM. We also provide a mother/infant room located in the nursery with a live video feed of the service, as well as a "cry room" downstairs from the sanctuary for parents of "fussy" children with an audio feed. Ushers are available to direct you.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing assistance devices are in the Narthex for worshippers needing hearing assistance. You may also use a smartphone or bluetooth-enabled hearing aid to connect directly to the sound system. Connection instructions are in the Narthex. Please ask an usher or deacon for assistance.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of John, Mary, and Drew Comer by members of the family.

YOUR PRESENCE

Please let us know that you're here today by scanning the QR code.

Worshippers read text in bold.



SCAN ME

Corporate Worship

*Welcome to First Presbyterian! We are thankful you have chosen to worship with us today.
It is our hope and prayer that through the reading of God's Word, prayer,
the corporate singing and readings, and the preached Word that you
will see Christ clearly and desire to know Him more.*

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 19:37-40

As he was drawing near - already on the way down the Mount of Olives - the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Hosanna! Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

HYMN OF PRAISE 235 - *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present:
To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

****Seating Interlude****

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH (9:00)

Parker Brumbelow	Lucy Gillis	Mae Sharp
Jackson Fiebig	Madelyn Johnson	Abigail Shaw
Juliana Fiebig	Charlotte Newman	Gracie Stanford
Elisha Freel	Rosemary Peterson	Greer White
Calder Garvin	Jane Sharp	

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parker Brumbelow

Jane Sharp

Mae Sharp

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 53

Who has believed what he has heard from us?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
For he grew up before him like a young plant,
and like a root out of dry ground;
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
and no beauty that we should desire him.
He was despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned - every one - to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he opened not his mouth.

**By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people?**

And they made his grave with the wicked
and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

**Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.**

Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

**Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and makes intercession for the transgressors.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Online giving may be done by texting **fpcmacon** to 73256 or visiting the church website at www.fpcmacon.org.

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed arr. Craig Courtney

*Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
Thy body slain, sweet Jesus, thine and bathed in its own blood,
While all exposed to wrath divine the glorious Sufferer stood!*

*Was it for crimes that I have done, He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!
Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut its glories in,
When God, the mighty maker, died for His own creature's sin.*

*Thus might I hide my blushing face while His dear cross appears;
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes with tears,
But drops of tears can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe.
Here, Lord, I give myself away; 'tis all that I can do.*

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Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
Thy body slain, sweet Jesus, thine and bathed in its own blood,
While all exposed to wrath divine the glorious Sufferer stood!*

Children K4-second grade are welcome to leave the worship service for a Bible Lesson in Cornerstone. They will meet their teacher at the front. We encourage children third grade and above to continue in corporate worship with their parents.

HYMN OF PREPARATION - *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed, 'mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of men and angels rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King;
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in His holy presence eternally rejoice!

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD - Chip Miller

Jesus and the Lord's Supper

Luke 22:1-20

Jerusalem

Robinson, Thompson, and Kleyn



See Him in Je - ru - sa - lem, walk - ing where the crowds are.
 See Him there up - on the hill; hear the scorn and laugh - ter.
 See Him there up - on the cross, now no long - er breath - ing.
 See the emp - ty tomb to - day; death could not con - tain Him.

Once these streets had sung to Him, now they cry for mur - der.
 Si - lent as a lamb He waits, pray - ing to the Fath - er.
 Dust that formed the watch - ing crowds, takes the blood of Je - sus.
 Once the Ser - vant of the world, now in vic - t'ry reign - ing.

Such a frail and lone - ly Man hold - ing up the hea - vy cross.
 See the King who made the sun and the moon and shin - ing stars
 Feel the earth is shak - ing now, see the veil is split in two.
 *Lift your voic - es to the One, who is seat - ed on the throne.

See Him walk - ing in Je - ru - sa - lem on the road to save us.
 let the sold - iers hold and nail him down, so that he could save them.
 And He stood be - fore the wrath of God, shield - ing sin - ners with His blood.
 See Him in the new Je - ru - sa - lem, praise the One who saved us!*

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SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN OF RESPONSE 308 - *Jesus Paid It All*

(Verses 1-2, 4)

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small,
 Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."
 Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
 Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

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Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.
Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

BENEDICTION

*As you exit, deacons will be at the door to receive the Deacon's Fund Offering.
Funds received are used for deeds of mercy for members of our congregation.*

COMMUNICANTS CLASS



Front Row: Gracie Stanford, Elisha Freel, Rosemary Peterson, Madelyn Johnson, Juliana Fiebig, Mae Sharp
Middle Row: Abigail Shaw, Charlotte Newman, Greer White, Calder Garvin
Back Row: Parker Brumbelow, Lucy Gillis, Jackson Fiebig

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Chancel Choir

CHURCH OFFICERS

The Session

Class of 2024

Doug Cole
Don Hall
Ken Harper
Shaun Hill
Julian Hutchins
Bruce Leicht

Class of 2025

Paul Cable
Sam Jones
Matt Kitchell
Kort Peterson
Jerome Strickland
William White

Class of 2026

Chuck Duggan
Mike Hall
Bobby Newman
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Tony Rodriguez
Blake Sullivan

The Diaconate

Class of 2024

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John Kitchens
Wynne Pearson
Koutsunis Prater
Robert Stamps

Class of 2025

Jave Bjorkman
Joey Brumbelow
Eric Hunt
Kent McCormick
David Milligan
Caleb Peed

Class of 2026

Dave Grant
Darrell Hallman
Jeremy Johnson
John David Miller
Gray Widstrom
Jeff Wilhelm
Calder Willingham

Trustees

Rob Danner
Bruce Jones

Buddy Ponder
Ray Pearson

Lowry Tribble

YOUTH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Class	Description	Topic	Room Location
Canterbury	70s-80s	Heaven	Education Building E104
Children	4K-6th Grade	New Testament	Cornerstone
Connections	Mixed Ages	Daniel	Gathering Place
Covenant	70s+	Hard Sayings of the Bible	Education Building E105
Generations	Mixed Ages	Ephesians	Basement M100
Grad & Career	College/20s-30s	Exodus	Basement M102
Immanuel	Mid 40s-50s	Philippians	Education Building E102
Logos	30s-40s	Attributes of God	Education Building E106
Nursery & Special Needs		New Testament	Nursery
Providence	30s	Ephesians	Brickyard M103
Shepherds	50s-60s	Kingdom Purpose	Brickyard M102
Trinity	60s+	Equipping Yourself	Education Building E103
Young Marrieds	20s-30s	1-3 John	Education Building E100
Middle School Youth	6-8 Grades	God's Promises	Education Building 2nd Floor
High School Youth	9-12 Grades	Christian Doctrine	Education Building 3rd Floor

Announcements



On Friday, **March 29th**, we celebrate Good Friday. We invite you to attend our **Good Friday service at noon in the Sanctuary.**



Join us as we worship the risen Savior together this Easter! In-Person and Livestream Service times are at 9 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday School at 10:10. a.m.



You don't want to miss **FPC's annual church-wide picnic Sunday, April 21!** It will be a fun afternoon filled with games, music, inflatables, food, and more. **Please bring a dessert to share!** Location: **First Presbyterian Day School Soccer Field** Time: **4:30-7 p.m.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 29 -- Good Friday Service

March 31 -- Easter

April 3 -- NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

April 21 -- Church-wide Picnic

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