



2nd Sunday in Lent

February 24, 2013

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Sonata in C minor: Präludium* Josef Rheinberger

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 27

The Lord is our light and our salvation.

Whom then shall we fear?

The Lord is the strength of our lives.

Of whom shall we be afraid?

Wait for the Lord.

**Be strong, take heart,
and wait for the Lord.**

*SONG OF PRAISE *How Great Thou Art*

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Merciful God,
you have made us citizens of heaven,
but we confess that we have set our minds on
earthly things.
We have let our desire for security restrain our
commitment to serve the poor.
We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation
to love our enemies.
We have let our love of things dull our generosity
to the needy.
We have let our craving for public status prevent our
honesty about hidden sins.
Yet, you know the desires of our heart
and nothing is hidden from you.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ,
that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

*SONG OF RESPONSE *Change My Heart, O God*

LUYH 61

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father*

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*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 13:31-35

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Merciful God

MESSAGE

Proud Jerusalem

Tracy L. Evans

SONG OF FAITH

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

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SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

...Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 16

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Sonata in C minor: Andante

Josef Rheinberger

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Great Is the Lord

*POSTLUDE

Sonata in C minor: Finale

Josef Rheinberger

*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for March 3: Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for February is **crackers**. The item of the month for March will be canned fruit. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

There are still books available (and we can order more!) for the **Lenten study** which began last Sunday evening at 7:00 at First Presbyterian Church. FPC Associate Pastor Pam Normile and Pastor Tracy Evans are leading the study based on the book **The Virtue in the Vice: Finding Seven Lively Virtues in the Seven Deadly Sins** by Robin Meyers.

The **Norman Ministerial Fellowship** is hosting a series of **Lenten services** at noon on Wednesdays. This week's service will be at McFarlin UMC, with Rev. Tracy Evans preaching. Each service will be followed at 12:35 by a simple lunch (cost is \$5.00). An offering will be taken each week for the benefit of a local non-profit, Among Friends (Cathe Fox, Director).

This Thursday at 7 P.M., **Parents Helping Parents** will host Sgt. Jennifer Newell of the Norman Police Department, who will discuss Norman's Community Oriented Policy, in which police and citizens work collaboratively on community problems that include drug/alcohol abuse. The meeting will be at the education center at Norman Regional

Hospital. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: ParentsHelpingParents.info

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 3. Remember to set your clocks forward this Saturday.

SUNDAY

February 24

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Worship & Music meeting
- 7:00 P.M. – Lenten Study at FPC

WEDNESDAY

February 27

- 3:30 P.M. – Kids Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Hand-Chime Choir
- 5:30 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

SUNDAY

March 3

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service—Communion