A Celebration of Holy Communion the Third Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 3, 2013 at 11 a.m.



THE CHURCH GATHERS...

PRELUDE

With the first notes of the organ, please silently prepare yourself for worship

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE

INTROIT "Nailed to a Cross"

Lawrence R. Nelson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, all you who are thirsty! Come to the waters!

People: Listen to what is good, and our souls will delight

in the richest of fare.

Leader: Give ear and come to the Lord;

Listen, that your soul may live.

People: Lord, we seek you. We call on you while you

are near.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 324

"Open My Eves That I May See"

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, you are holy; Your ways are not our ways. Your thoughts are higher than the heavens, far beyond our understanding. Yet you are faithful, providing a way out when we are tested, and setting a limit to what we must endure. We confess that we often fail to choose your way of life, squandering our substance on that which does not satisfy.

Forgive us, O Lord, for every evil desire, every immoral act, every unrighteous thought. Grant us mercy and pardon, in the name of Jesus Christ, that we find delight and peace in your presence once again. Amen.

*PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION IN SILENCE

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE No. 322

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

TO HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD......

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

Jill Berquist

(Children age 5 and under are excused to go downstairs after our Children's Time)

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 55: 1-9

Pew Bible Page #"s 886-70T

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven"

Arr. By James Kirkby

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 13: 1-9

Pew Bible Page # 92NT

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON "A PARABLE OF PATIENCE"

Rev. Dr. Ted Land

*HYMN OF GRATITUDE No. 396
"O For A Closer Walk With God"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 1 (paraphrased)

Leader: What is our chief end?

People: Our chief end is to glorify God and to

enjoy God forever.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION

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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

*THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE No. 428

We give Thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

TO CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(Please hold the elements until all have been served)

PRAYERS OF GRATITUDE AND PRAISE

TO GO OUT AND SERVE

*HYMN OF PRAISE AND PROCLAMATION
(See Back of Bulletin)
"For the Fruit of All Creation"

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION No. 81

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" vs. 1 & 4

PLEASE NOTE: For items in the bulletin preceded by an asterisk (*) please stand. For items with no asterisk, please be seated.

To Our Guests – Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Marianna. We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God's word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the *Welcome* cards in the pews and place it on the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office.

Everyone who seeks to love and serve our Lord Jesus Christ is invited to share in the **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** with us. According to the tradition of this congregation, we will hold the bread and the cup in order that we might eat and drink together when we are invited to do so. You are encouraged to hold the bread with the napkin provided as you break off your piece.

Nursery care is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning. Children may be taken to the nursery before the service begins, or after the Time with Our Children.

The **flowers** gracing our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by Kathy and Albert Milton in memory of Althea Stevens.

Our Prayer Calendar: Ise Daffin, Clara Jeanette Powell (requested by Jane Powell), Charlie Baur (requested by Ernie McNeill), Paul Walushen (requested by Bud and Mary Wierman), Joe Busby (requested by Joe Busby), Mel McLure Clark (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt), Twanna Dunaway (requested by Jackie Spivey), Tom Dozier (requested by Jackie Spivey), Joanne Rountree, Joy Gilbert, Piper Montana Smith (niece of Polly Land), Carolyn Land Page (niece of Ted Land), Ron Wierman (requested by Bud and Mary Wierman) and Norma Peacock (requested by Peggy Peacock).

Every Sunday morning there are **Sunday School Classes** for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. There are three classes for Adults. Next Sunday the Adults in the parlor will be studying: Daniel's Prayer *Daniel 9: 4b-14*. Upstairs

the Adult Class in Room 4 will the studying the texts and the Adult class in Room 2 will be praying the texts to be used in our Worship Service.

What Presbyterians Believe Class in the Fellowship Hall with Rev. Ted Land.

Our **Lenten Luncheons** continue on Tuesdays from 12 to 12:50 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The menu includes soup, sandwiches, dessert and beverages and will be prepared by the ladies' circles and the men of the church. Everyone is invited to come, and bring a friend. The schedule for the luncheons are: The Lunch Bunch, March 12 – Circle I, March 19 – Circle II, March 26 – FPC Men

Lenton Luncheon Series focuses on Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Interim Pastor Ted Land will lead a series of devotionals based on the words and work of German Lutheran pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer during the Lenten season this year. Bonhoeffer, the subject of many books and several motion pictures, was a hero of the Resistance movement in Germany during World War II. He was one of the authors of the Theological Declaration of Barmen, which is a part of the Book of Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) He was also Adolph Hitler's personal prisoner, and one of the last to be executed before Hitler's suicide and the fall of Nazi Germany.

All ladies are invited to participate in one or more of the following circle meetings on Monday, March 4.

Circle 1 at 10:30 a.m. in the church parlor Lunch Bunch Circle at 11:30 a.m. at Macky Gortemoller Circle 2 at 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall The Good News Women at 7:00 p.m. at Betty Blighton

The **Sr. Hi Youth Group** and their parents invite everyone to join them next Sunday, March 10 for a luncheon in the fellowship hall after worship service. The donations from the luncheon will be used for their trip to the Montreat Youth Conference in June.

Daylight savings time will begin at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 10. Please remember to move your clock forward one hour before going to bed on Saturday night or you will be late for Sunday School and/or our Worship Service.

This week in the life of the church . .

Monday Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m.

Circle I at 10:30 a.m. in Church Parlor

Lunch Bunch Circle at 11:00 a.m. at the home of Macky

Gortemoller

Circle II at 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall

Good News Women at 7 p.m. at the home of Betty Blighton

Tuesday Lenten Luncheon at 12 noon in the fellowship hall

Christian Education at 5:00

Wednesday Bagging for Food Pantry at 8:00 a.m.

Food pantry is open from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Choir practice at 5:15 p.m.

JuBELLees practice at 5:30 p.m. Covered Dish Supper at 6:30 p.m.

What Presbyterians Believe Class at 7:01 p.m.

Friday Ladies Exercise Class at 9 a.m.

Sunday (10th) Mission and Service Committee at 8:45 a.m. in Church Office

Coffee and Juice at 9:15 a.m. in the fellowship hall

Sunday School for all Ages at 9:45 a.m.

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Montreat Luncheon at 12:15 p.m.

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ted Land Ruling Elder of the Month: Kip Blighton Church Administrator: Valerie Marlow Director of Music: Lawrence R. Nelson

> Organist: Stanley Littleton Custodian: Melissa Krebeck

Food Pantry Coordinator: Melissa Krebeck

Nursery Assistant: Trey Weeks

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