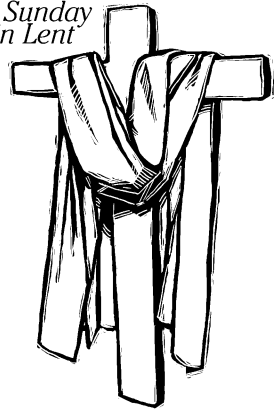


**First Presbyterian Church
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 6, 2016
at 11:00 a.m.**

Fourth
Sunday
in Lent



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

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #84 vs 1
CHOIR AND CONGREGATION**

Rathburn

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Seek the Lord and his strength;

People: seek his presence continually.

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done,

People: his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered.

Leader: He is mindful of his covenant forever,

People: of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #476**

Lyons

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above”

ANTHEM

: Borning Cry

**Text & Tune by John Ylvisaker
Setting by Daniel Kallman**

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 15:1-3, vs 11b-32
Pew Bible Page #850

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
 People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE

“The Loving Father”

Rev. John Wamsley

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION # 426**

Canonbury

“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles’ Creed

**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.**

Please be seated.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

***THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE #592**

Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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

***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

TO CELEBRATE THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(Please hold the elements until all have been served.)

TO GO OUT AND SERVE

***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION #276**

Faithfulness

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION # 333**

Lafferty

“Seek Ye First”

***POSTLUDE**

Note: An ‘*’ invites all who can do so comfortably, will stand.

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 in the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office.

Nursery care is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning.

The flowers gracing our Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God by Albert and Kathy Milton in memory of Kathy’s parents, Althea and Henry C. Stevens.

Our Prayer Calendar: Brandon Stewart (requested by family), (Mike Evans (requested by family), Louise Pumphrey (requested by family), Gail Stearn, Guy Green’s sister, (requested by family), Ned Grove (requested by family), J R Gortemoller (requested by family), Elizabeth Littleton Walker (requested by Stanley Littleton), Dr. Steve Stafford (requested by Barry Stafford), Jeff Allen (requested by Hazel Nelson), Destry Burch and Fletcher Dunaway (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt), Abby Reed (requested by Mary Wierman), George McMullin (requested by Nancy McMullin), Bob Ward and Michael Ward (requested by Mary Wierman), Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis), Gina Stuart, Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Stanley Littleton, JoAnn Rountree.

Every Sunday morning there are **Education Classes** for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. There are two classes for Adults. Next Sunday, March 13th, the Adults in the parlor will be studying: ‘Simple Faith’, Mark 10:17 – 31. Upstairs, the Adult Class in Room 4 will be studying the Lectionary Scriptures.

The **Lenten Luncheon** series will continue each Tuesday at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. John Wamsley, our new Pastor will be leading the luncheons with the **theme based on the scripture 2 Chronicles 7:14.**

Luncheons will be prepared and served by the Presbyterian Women’s Circles, except for March 22nd, which will be the Presbyterian Men’s Luncheon Day.

Host/Hostess

Message

March 8 – MHS Culinary Dept	Turn Toward God’s Word
March 15 – Lunch Bunch	Turn Toward God in Repentance
March 22 - Men of the Church	Turn Our Hearts Toward God

Everyone is invited to come and also invite your friends and neighbors.

Food Pantry News:

Tuesday, March 8th

Baggers will meet at 3:30

Volunteers: Marsha Rodgers, Jack Hockensmith, **1 Vacancy***

Wednesday, March 9th

Volunteers: Betty Pettis, Kathy Milton, Lauren Lyons, Kitty Myers, Don Morris

During the month of February our food pantry served **407** families.

***If you would like to volunteer as a worker with the Food Pantry, please contact Susie Barber at Ph 850-209-1403 or e-mail susie@gmail.com.**

USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES

Approved by Session 2/23/2016

Just a reminder that if a person or group would like to use the church facilities, there is a form to complete and submit to the church office for Session approval. If approved by Session, the church administrator will schedule it on the master calendar in order to avoid scheduling conflicts. Forms are available in the church office for completion.

Jackson County Habitat for Humanity is hosting it's annual Collegiate Challenge Build week March 6th – 12th to build a new home in Graceville. First Presbyterian Church will be providing snacks for the students and workers on Tuesday, March 8th. Their Friday Night Celebration will be held on March 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Madison Park.

**Daylight Savings Time begins March 13, 2016,
so be sure to set your clocks AHEAD 1 hour!**

This Week in the Life of the Church

Today	Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Monday	Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m. Circle I Meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor Circle II Meeting at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	Lenten Luncheon at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall Bagging for the Food Pantry at 3:30 p.m. Autism Support Group at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	Food Pantry open from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Wild Wonderful Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:15 in the Fellowship Hall Choir Rehearsal at 4:00 p.m.
Thursday	Alzheimers Caregivers Group at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall NA Group at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.
Friday	Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m. Dogwood Acres Work Day Retreat March 11 th – 12 th
Saturday	Bridal Shower for Courtney Massengill 10:00 a.m.
Sunday (Mar 13)	Coffee, Juice and Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. Education Hour at 9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. Worship at 11:00 a.m. John Wamsley Installation and Reception at 4:00 p.m.

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