



First Presbyterian Church

For Christ in the Heart of Charlotte

Founded in 1821

Order of Worship

*Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2022
11 a.m.*

Preparation

Prelude

"Blessed Jesus, We Are Here"
"Seek Ye First"
"I Will Bow and Be Simple"

Johann Sebastian Bach
LAFFERTY/Carol Choir
arr. S. N. Louis/Kirk Choir

Words of Welcome

The Reverend Robert Galloway

Chiming of the Trinity

Adoration

*Call to Worship

Russell Bradley

One: The Lord has done great things for us.

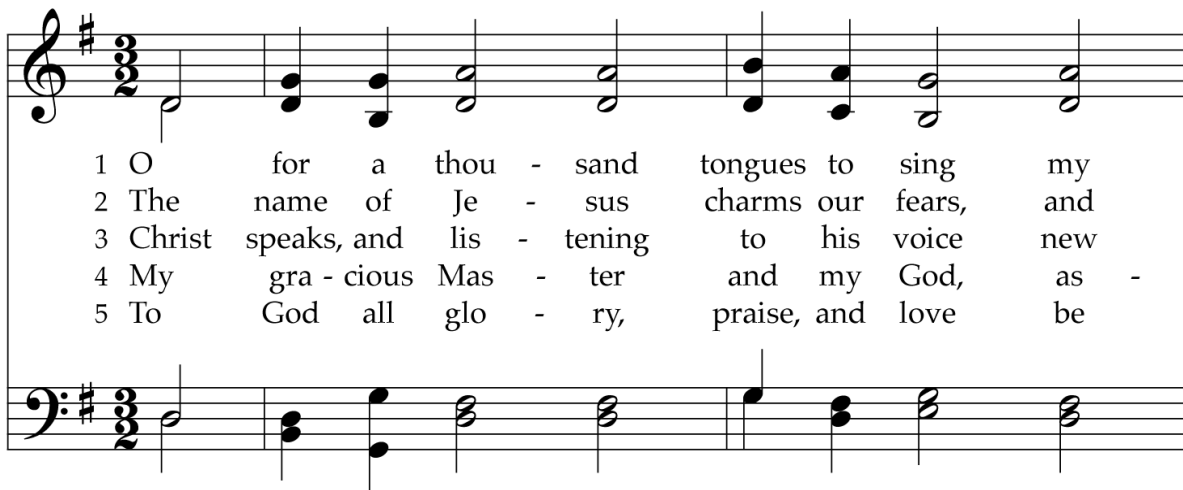
All: We give thanks for all of God's blessings.

One: The Lord turns our weeping into singing.

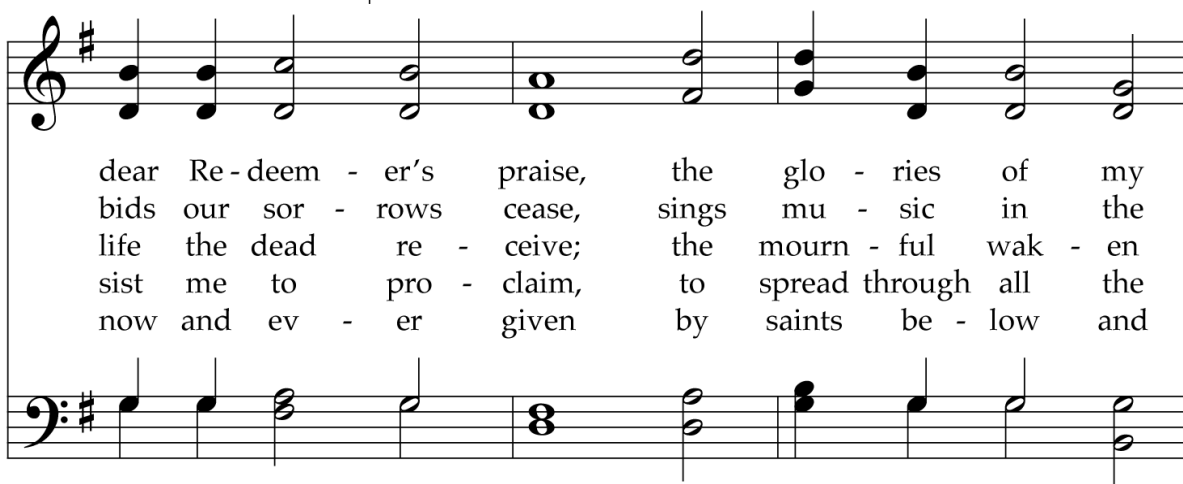
All: The Lord turns our tears into shouts of joy.

One: We rejoice in the name of the Lord.

All: Let us worship the Lord, our God, with praise and thanksgiving.



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be



dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
now and ev - er given by saints be - low and



God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

Confession

Call to Confession

The Reverend Pen Peery

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you told us you were about to do a new thing. We did not see it. You told us you were with us. We did not know you. You told us you would change the world. We did not understand you. Forgive us when we are blind to what is before us. We fill our lives with actions and thoughts that distract us from your work and presence. O Lord, help us to see the truth of who you are and what you are doing. Give us wisdom and understanding to live in to the new life you give to us through the grace of your son Jesus Christ. We pray all these things in his holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Response to Pardon (Hymn No. 581)

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Sacrament of Baptism

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Helen Dahlia-Louise Gentry

*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.

Children ages 3 through first grade may leave for First Church. They will return to the sanctuary during the last hymn. Older children are encouraged to stay and worship with their families.

Proclamation

Anthem

"A Lenten Blessing"
Kirk Choir

Robert J. Powell

Lord, I ask a blessing for my soul today; give me peace from heaven as I kneel and pray. Forty days did Jesus face temptation strong; give me strength to conquer knowing right from wrong. Lord, I ask a blessing for my soul today; give me peace from heaven as I kneel and pray. I would be like Jesus turning from all sin, with his love to keep my true and faithful within. Lord, I ask a blessing for my soul today; give me peace from heaven as I kneel and pray. When I look to Jesus, he will show the way; help me come to meet him pure on Easter Day.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Sermon

The Reverend Robert Galloway

The 11 a.m. service is televised over WAXN-TV, Channel 64 this morning and streamed live at www.firstpres-charlotte.org and on Facebook Live.

Lulu is the daughter of Alyson and David Gentry.

The Elder assisting with the baptism today is Katy Cochran.

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Karl Dixon on the death of his mother, Doris Dixon; and to Doug Wilson on the death of his brother, Brad Wilson.

All or Leader

1 Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound-ed,
 2 Come, ye thirst-y, come, and wel - come; God's free boun - ty
 3 Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined
 4 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness

sick and sore; Je - sus read - y stands to save you,
 glo - ri - fy, true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,
 by the fall; if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,
 fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth

Refrain
All

full of pit - y, love, and power.
 ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. I will a - rise and
 you will nev - er come at all.
 is to feel your need of him.

go to Je - sus; he will em-brace me in his arms. In the

arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

Response

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Reverend Anna Dickson

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.

Stewardship of Life

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Offertory Anthem

"Glorious Everlasting"

M. Thomas Cousins

Glorious, everlasting, I will praise thee, O Lord among the people; I will sing unto thee among the nations. Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be above the earth.

*Doxology (Hymn No. 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Sending Forth

*Hymn No. 299

"You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

HANOVER

1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save,
3 "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne!"
4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad Christ's won - der - ful name.
he still re - mains nigh; his pres - ence we have.
Let all cry a - loud and hon - or the Son.
all glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

The name all vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol,
The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
all hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

whose king - dom is glo - rious, who rules o - ver all.
as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fi - nite love!

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Amen"

Peter Lutkin

Postlude

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Johann Sebastian Bach

First Presbyterian Church Announcements

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Easter Egg Hunt, April 8, 5 p.m., Front Lawn

The hunt will take place in waves by age for children from birth through fifth grade. Register at fpc.tiny.us/egghunt

Palm Sunday Worship, April 10, 11 a.m., Wood Fellowship Hall and Livestream

We will distribute palms and the children will lead a palm procession.

Maundy Thursday, April 14, 7:30 p.m., Wood Fellowship Hall and Livestream

This service will recreate aspects of the passion story using scripture, solemn hymns, and the gradual darkening of the church as candles are extinguished.

Easter Sunday Community Sunrise Service, April 17, 7 a.m., Romare Bearden Park

An outdoor service partnership with local churches and a breakfast fellowship following.

Traditional Easter Worship & Flowering of the Cross, April 17, 11 a.m., Wood Fellowship Hall and Livestream

Children's Musical, April 6, 6:30 p.m., Wood Fellowship Hall

Members of the children's choirs will present "Life of the Party: The Story of Mary and Martha." To register for dinner: fpc.tiny.us/childrensmusical

Ewo Focus Sunday, April 10, S202 and Zoom

9 a.m. - Join Actionnel and Yolande Fleurisma for coffee and donuts

10 a.m. - Actionnel and Ewo (formerly World of God) Executive Director Melissa Hoffman will discuss updates on the school in Bayonnais

11 a.m. - Actionnel will participate in worship and there will be an information table on Ewo student sponsorship. | To learn more about Ewo, check out their website at ewohaiti.org. | For more information, email sbuzard@mac.com | Zoom link: fpc.tiny.us/sundayschoolpsalms

Become a Camp Connector!

We need 8-10 additional Camp Connectors, volunteers who provide a personal connection to campers and their families as they prepare for a week at Camp Grier this summer. | For information, email hherring@firstpres-charlotte.org.

We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

We welcome all to First Presbyterian Church as we worship together, knowing that each of us is a beloved part of the body of Christ.

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