

**Morning Worship**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**  
**March 1, 2020**

**We Gather in God's Name**

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude *There in God's Garden*

Cherwien

*The congregation is asked to make use of the prelude as a time of preparation, meditation and prayer.*

Greeting

Dr. Steve Fitzgerald

There are no strangers here, only friends you have not met. May the hospitality and blessings of the holy Trinity be with you during this time of worship.

**And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit *God Welcomes All*

Bell

\*Call to Worship

Marion Anderson

People of God, on this wilderness journey, what will you eat?

***The word of the Lord is our daily bread.***

People of God, in this time of temptation, how will you live?

***Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.***

People of God, at this kingdom crossroad, whom will you serve?

***We worship the Lord our God alone.***

\*Hymn 41 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

Invitation to Confession (the congregation is seated)

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven, who no longer suffer in silence, but name their sin and seek God's grace. Let us confess our sins together as we pray the Prayer of Confession in unison:

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Lord God, you know the ways of good and evil. You know the things that tempt us and the things that give us life. You know our nakedness, and you know our sin. We confess that we have disobeyed your word, denying your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness. Have mercy on us, we pray: cover us with your grace, feed us with the bread of life, and re-create us in your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

(time for silent confession) **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven! Ps. 32:1, 11 Be glad in the Lord and shout for joy: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

Wood

\*Praise of God

***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.***

\*Prayer of Dedication

**We Receive God's Word**

Message to the Children

Dr. Steve Fitzgerald

*Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.*

Scripture Readings Psalm 32; Matthew 4:1-11

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message

"Ever Since!"

Dr. Steve Fitzgerald

**The Sacrament of Communion**

\*Hymn of Preparation 440 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The LORD be with you!

**And also with you!**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the LORD.**

Let us give thanks to the LORD our God!

**It is right to give God our thanks and praise. . .**

Words of Institution

Prayer of Dedication

Distribution of the Elements by the Elders

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.**

\*Hymn 167 *Forty Days and Forty Nights*

**We Go Out To Serve**

\*Charge

**Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

\*Blessing

**May the love of God, the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit go with you this day and forevermore. Amen.**

\*Choral Response *I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes*

\*Postlude *Voluntary*

anon.

\*Those who are able, please stand as directed at the items marked with an asterisk.

If you are visiting with us today, **please accept our gift of a coffee mug and a Newcomers' Packet.** They are located in the Narthex.

**Prayer List as of March 1, 2020**

Dee Pierce

Anne Bryan

Jack Baker

Larry Gaddy

Robby Ashworth

Carole Kennedy

Fred Craft

Bennie Moore

Janie Taylor

**Nursery/Pray N' Play**

March 1 Mary Jane Evans  
March 8 Kelli Beck  
March 15 Sadie Smith  
March 22 Becky Childers  
March 29 Jean Page Watson

**Fill the Red Wagon**

March Featured Item: **Pop-Tarts**

*Additional canned food donations are encouraged!*

**The Church This Week (3/1/2020)**

Today 9:30 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
6:00 p.m. Youth  
Mon. 8:30 a.m. MMO  
Tues. 12:00 p.m. At Ease  
1:00 p.m. Committee  
1:00 p.m. PWCT  
5:30 p.m. Christian Education  
Wed. 8:30 a.m. MMO  
12:00 p.m. Lenten Lunch-FBC  
3:00 p.m. Fun Program  
6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal  
Sun. 9:30 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship

The Mission Team will be collecting a **Love Offering** on Sunday, March 8 during Worship Service.

**Installation Service** for Rev. Dr. Steve Fitzgerald on Sunday afternoon, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. A **Reception** will be held in the Fellowship Building immediately after the service.

There will be a **St. Patrick's Day covered dish pot-LUCK** supper on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Please bring your favorite covered dish to share and join us for supper and a game of BINGO afterwards.

**Lenten Lunch/Devotionals** will continue this Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, at First Baptist Church Family Life Center at noon. See schedule of speakers below:

DATE: March 4  
MEAL: Fisher Hill Community Church  
SPEAKER: Johnnie McLendon

DATE: March 11  
MEAL: First United Methodist  
SPEAKER: Kim Eanes

DATE: March 18  
MEAL: Emmanuel Temple  
SPEAKER: Jerry Hardison

DATE: March 25  
MEAL: St. David's Church  
SPEAKER: Mary Ellen Doran

DATE: April 1  
MEAL: First Presbyterian  
SPEAKER: Steve Fitzgerald

DATE: April 8  
MEAL: First Baptist  
SPEAKER/MUSIC: First Baptist Student Ministry

Spring Forward! **Daylight Savings Time** begins Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Session of First Presbyterian Church**

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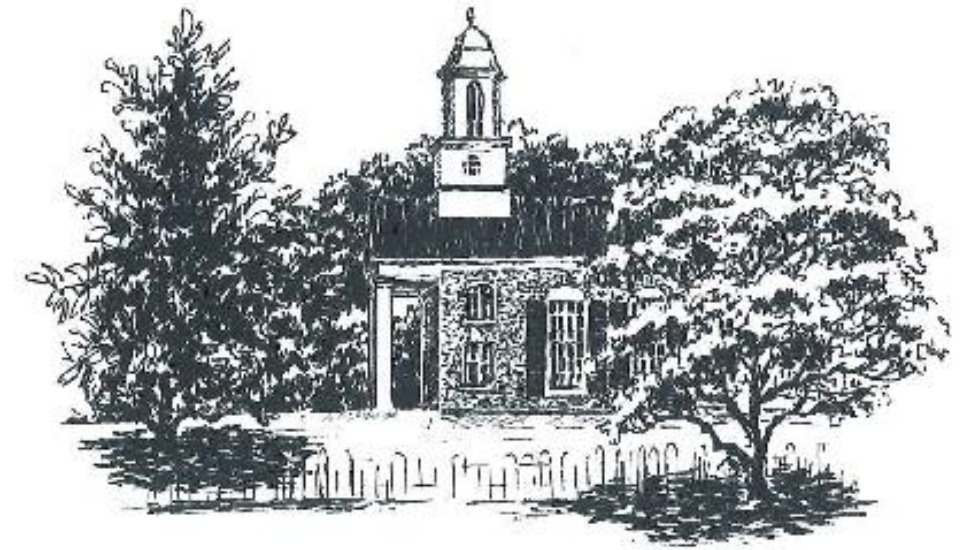
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**Our Vision**

**Rooted by God's Grace,  
Growing in the Spirit,  
Reaching Out with Christ's Love**



**Our Mission**

**By the Grace of God, we are rooted in Christ through love.  
We grow in the Spirit by worshipping, by studying,  
and by cultivating relationships with Christ and others.  
As stewards of God's gifts and affirming our faith  
in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,  
we share God's Mission of reaching out  
with Christ's Love.**

Dr. Steve Fitzgerald  
*Pastor*

**Missionaries**

Mr. Mark Hare/ Mrs. Jenny Bent Hare *Costa Rica*  
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