

# First Presbyterian Church of Naples

*In the Heart of Naples with the Love of God:  
we worship, we love, we grow, we serve*



**March 20, 2022  
The Third Sunday of Lent  
9:30 a.m.**

*Let us quiet our hearts, minds, and voices for the beginning of worship.  
At this time, please silence all cell phones.*

The Prelude

**Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley**

ARR. DALE WOOD

**THE TIME OF GATHERING**

Welcome and Life Together

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

**SERVICE OF PREPARATION**

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus said, "Come to me all who are weary

**People: and I will give you rest."**

Leader: For we are convinced that nothing in life or in death

**People: can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

**A TIME FOR PRAISE AND CONFESSION**

\*Hymn of Praise #394

**Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation**

REGENT SQUARE

- 1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help forever, and our confidence alone.*
- 2. To this temple, where we call you, come, O Lord of hosts, and stay; come, with all your loving-kindness; hear your people as we pray, and your fullest benediction shed within these walls today.*
- 3. Here bestow on all your servants what they seek from you to gain; what they gain from you, forever with the blessed to retain; and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.*
- 4. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: one in might and one in glory while unending ages run!*

Call to Confession

REV. REX CHILDS

Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, you have formed a covenant with us, committing yourself to us and inviting us to walk with you. Yet we have resisted, seeking other companions, going in different ways, thinking that we know best. Now we find ourselves far from life, further still from you. Have mercy on our waywardness. Help us find our way back. Give us faith so that we can hold the hand you have extended to us in Jesus Christ.**

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. Do not lose heart, for in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Receive God's forgiveness and be at peace.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\*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!**

*\* Please stand if able*

**THE WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

BARBARA WEISS

First Reading

Isaiah 46:3-13

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Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been borne by me from your birth, carried from the womb; <sup>4</sup>even to your old age I am he, even when you turn gray I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save. <sup>5</sup>To whom will you liken me and make me equal, and compare me, as though we were alike? <sup>6</sup>Those who lavish gold from the purse, and weigh out silver in the scales— they hire a goldsmith, who makes it into a god; then they fall down and worship! <sup>7</sup>They lift it to their shoulders, they carry it, they set it in its place, and it stands there; it cannot move from its place. If one cries out to it, it does not answer or save anyone from trouble. <sup>8</sup>Remember this and consider, recall it to mind, you transgressors, <sup>9</sup>remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like me, <sup>10</sup>declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, "My purpose shall stand, and I will fulfill my intention," <sup>11</sup>calling a bird of prey from the east, the man for my purpose from a far country. I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass; I have planned, and I will do it. <sup>12</sup>Listen to me, you stubborn of heart, you who are far from deliverance: <sup>13</sup>I bring near my deliverance, it is not far off, and my salvation will not tarry; I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Response

***Your Word Have I Hid in My Heart***

E. D. BEALE

Your word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes. Amen.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:10

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So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— <sup>3</sup>if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. <sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

***Aging Well: Wisdom and Grace***

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

\*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith—PCUSA 1983)

***In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve...We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving 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.***

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

***Cantique de Jean Racine***

GABRIEL FAURÉ

O divine word above, our hope and consolation, eternal light of the heavens and the earth: the peaceful night is past; our voices greet the morning: Look down, O Lord, and hear thy people's prayer! Inspire us, Lord, we pray, with the power of thy Spirit, that hell may flee before thy mighty word. From slumber waken us, our weary souls reviving, that we may never forget all thy laws! Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on thy congregation now gathered here in the sight of thy throne; receive the hymns they offer to thy endless glory; renewed by thy gifts may they go forth in peace.

\*The Doxology

***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

## GOING FORTH

\*Hymn of Commitment #450

***Be Thou My Vision***

SLANE

- 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*
- 2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.*
- 3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.*
- 4. High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

***Toccata in B Minor***

EUGÈNE GIGOUT

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**Books referenced in the “Aging Well” Sermon Series:**

*Much Abides: A Survival Guide for Aging Lives*  
by Dr. Charles H. Edwards II

*Aging Faithfully: The Holy Invitation of Growing Older*  
by Alice Fryling

*Aging: Growing Old in Church*  
by William Henry Willimon

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**Flower Dedication**

The Chancel flowers are given by Roy and Karen Parker  
in loving memory of Stephen Matthews.

**Ushers**

Gary Nordbrock (head usher), Jeff Camp, Shirley Hagerson,  
Bob and Pat MacMinn, Larry Succop, Alex Yanushefski

**Greeters**

Nancy Erdly, Pat Koning, Ron and Eileen Malstrom,  
Sarah Nichols, Susan Sonderby

**Prayer List**

*In an effort to keep the prayer list current, names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks, unless we are notified otherwise. If you wish for a name to be included, please contact the church office.*

Jenn Abbott  
\*Linda Arsenault  
Darryl Bernhardt  
\*Bill Crawford  
\*Jackie Cusick  
\*Pam Fisher  
Scott McCullough  
\*Jane Nordlund  
Nancy Paczkowski  
\*Ted Rojahn

Vanessa Uzupes-Owens  
Schools and teachers  
The U.S. Military  
Stephen Ministers and  
care receivers  
  
\* church member  
  
Missionary (Honduras)  
Dorie Hjalmarson

Central Presbyterian Reformed  
Church (Matanzas, Cuba)  
José Bello, Jazmin Martínez,  
Walkiria Rodríguez, Patria  
Gonzalez and family, Leydis  
Santana, retired pastors  
Miguel Pérez, Ofelia Ortega,  
Daniel Montoya,  
and for the lack of medicine  
they are facing.

## News

### **Name Badges**

Please remember to wear your name badges to worship and church meetings. There are a lot of new visitors and regular attendees, so please introduce yourself and welcome our new friends!

### **Parking at FPCN**

Parking spaces have been reserved in front of the Memorial Garden for those with limited mobility. For those without mobility issues, parking is available in our north parking lot, at Gulf View Middle School and at the public library. Parking lot diagrams are located in the brochure racks.

### **Hospital Ministry**

Will you be hospitalized or know of someone in the congregation who is? Please contact Sharman Pfaus so she can notify the pastor of your hospital stay. Also, please remember to let the hospital know that you are a member of First Presbyterian Church of Naples.

### **Wiggle Room and Nursery**

Families with young children are welcome to use the Wiggle Room located outside the Sanctuary. There is also a nursery located upstairs in the Mase Christian Education Building. You can enjoy the church service via live stream while your kids play in our spacious and toy-filled nursery. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Ashley Hancock at [ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org](mailto:ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org).

### **Hybrid Kidz Lab**

Children, ages 4-grade 5, are invited to join us for Kidz Lab after the Children's Time today. Children can be picked up in the Youth Room after the service. Children who wish to join us from home will be zoomed in at 10 a.m. Please contact Nancy Van Fleet, [nancyv@fpcnaples.org](mailto:nancyv@fpcnaples.org), for instructions and link information.

## Events

### **Seekers and Joiners Class**

Do you want to know more about our faith, this congregation, and how to become a member of our dynamic church? A Seekers and Joiners class will be held today following the worship service in the Parlor. Information packets are available at the exit doors and at the class.

### **Pocketbook Picnic—Continues today in Spencer Hall**

Join us again this morning! The items are displayed on tables and you may purchase one or more of the pieces by donating an amount of your choosing.

### **A Season of Music Concert**

Join us this afternoon at 4 p.m. for The Solace Quartet. All of the members of the Solace Quartet are on the faculty of the Hoff-Barthelson Music School in Scarsdale, NY. This is chamber music at its finest. You will not want to miss this special concert. There is no charge, however, a free will offering will be taken. A reception will follow in Spencer Hall.

### **Women's Ministry Bible Study**

You are invited to a weekly Bible Study on Mondays at 1 p.m. in the Youth Room. This is a women's fellowship/study with no homework. Please bring your own Bible. For more information please contact Janeen McClure at [jrmc@airmcclure.com](mailto:jrmc@airmcclure.com).

### **Lenten Organ Concerts**

Each Wednesday at noon during Lent, Dr. Brice Gerlach will host a 30 minute concert featuring the Ruffatti organ. This will be a special opportunity for reflection, meditation, and celebration of this holy season. Tours of the organ are offered following the concert.

### **HUDDLE**

The Men's noon-time Bible Study continues every Thursday in Spencer Hall and via Zoom. Bring your lunch and Bible and join us for discussion and study. All men are invited. Contact Rev. Rex Childs for Zoom link at [rexc@fpcnaples.org](mailto:rexc@fpcnaples.org).

## Events

### Join us for Wednesdays at First

- March 23: Rob Mohr, President and CEO, Conservancy of SWFL: *Collier County at a Crossroads—Current Conservation Challenges and Opportunities*
- March 30: *Our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Stories at First*. A special evening of shared memories from members and others.

A light dinner will be available at 5:15 p.m. Cost: \$10/person). The presentation will begin at 6 p.m. Childcare will be provided. Please sign up in Spencer Hall or by contacting Ashley Hancock at [ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org](mailto:ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org). Please indicate whether you wish to come for dinner or for the presentation only and whether you will be bringing a child(ren). Invite a friend to join you!

### Blood Drive

It doesn't take luck to save a life...it takes someone like YOU! This time of year the Community Blood Center is low on resources. Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, March 28 from 8 - 11 a.m. Please sign up in Spencer Hall or contact either Pat Collins at [pskcc@comcast.net](mailto:pskcc@comcast.net) or 239.261.6649 or Tedi Fraley at 706.371.2318. Just one pint of blood can save three lives.

### Growing Young Initiative – Next Steps

Part of our Growing Young Initiative is to build a network of significant adults from our congregation in the lives of our youth. Do you have a call to serve with our youth? We have a retreat weekend planned to explore this important work on April 1-3 to remind us that changing the way we relate to young people is not just a matter of developing new techniques or broadening our theology, its about a different attitude of heart. Contact Nancy Van Fleet for more details, [nancyv@fpcnaples.org](mailto:nancyv@fpcnaples.org).

### A Growing Young Interactive Art Experience

The children will be participating in an Interactive Art Experience following the Children's Time on Sunday, April 3. Join the children and youth after the service in the Courtyard. This will be led by artist, Susan Pratt. After the painting is completed, it will be displayed as a reminder of this time - coming together after many months. We hope you will grab a cup of coffee and join us in the courtyard! Our children will start the project after the children's sermon. This experience is part of our Growing Young Initiative through Fuller Seminary.

### Presbyterian Women's April Gathering

On Wednesday, April 6 you have a 3 for 1 opportunity! Attend Brice's Lenten Organ Concert at noon; enjoy a box lunch at 12:30 p.m. prepared by "Delicious by Design"; and, learn about the expanding culinary operations of St. Matthew's House. Registrations for this PW Gathering will be taken on March 27 and April 3 at the PW table in Spencer Hall. Your payment of \$10 for the box lunch completes your reservation. Men are definitely welcome.

## Giving Opportunities

### 2022 Generosity Campaign

Thank you for your overwhelming response to our 2022 generosity pledge campaign. Already we have received 233 pledges for a total of \$1,340,790. Our pledge goal is \$1,500,000. If you haven't already pledged, we hope you'll do so soon. Your consideration and generosity are greatly appreciated by the entire First Presbyterian Church of Naples community!

### Presbyterian Disaster Assistance—Ukraine

As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of people being displaced internally and fleeing to neighboring countries increases by the day. The PDA's first priority is to provide funding to sibling churches that provide basic items for survival for these refugees. The response will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead. To support their efforts, checks may be made payable to First Presbyterian Church with a memo to PDA-Ukraine. You may also give on our website. Select "Disaster Relief" under the fund choices.

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## Easter Lily Order Form

You are invited to purchase a beautiful lily to decorate our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. The cost is \$25 per plant/dedication. Please PRINT your information and submit this form to First Presbyterian Church, 250 Sixth Street S., Naples, FL 34102. Make checks payable to **First Presbyterian Church**, and indicate "Lily" on the memo. **Deadline for dedications is March 27.**

**Note: One dedication per form. Additional forms are available in the church office or online.**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name of donor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Lilies \_\_\_\_\_ (\$25 each)

In HONOR or MEMORY of: (circle one)

Please note: this will not be a tax deductible contribution.

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