

First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro

Music Leader: Moona Yu; Elder Assisting: Steve Stewart

Pastor: Rev. Meg Jackson Clark

*All are invited to rise in body or spirit.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

Moona Yu

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steve Stewart

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

As we begin this season of Lent, we journey with Jesus into the wilderness.

We do not have a Savior who is unable to sympathize with us.

Jesus was tested in every way, as we are, yet remained without sin.

Therefore we approach the throne of grace with boldness.

May we receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us worship God!

***HYMN 166**

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

Congregation

LIGHTING OF THE LENT CANDLES

Susan Spearman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

Your Son fasted in the wilderness and faced human temptations.

We come to you confessing our own temptations.

We are tempted to forget who we are as your children

and to let the world's values define us.

We are tempted to define who you are,

and to become discouraged when you don't meet our expectations.

We are tempted to avoid wilderness times when you seem to be absent,

filling our lives with distractions and balms that take us further from you.

Lord, you know us better than we know ourselves;

may we know you more deeply and become the people you created us to be.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

No one who believes in Jesus will be put to shame.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

We rejoice for forgiveness is ours through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

You are invited to greet one another saying "The Peace of Christ be with you," or responding "and also with you".

***581 GLORY BE TO THE FATHER**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Who is Jesus Christ to Me?

Jocelyn Clark

Prayer of Illumination

Steve Stewart

Scripture

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

(p. 180, Pew Bible)

Anthem

I Surrender All

Moona Yu

arr. Stan Pethel

Scripture

Luke 4:1-13

(p.61, Pew Bible)

Sermon

Jesus: Son of God

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (p. 34, Hymnal) Nicene Creed

Congregation

***HYMN 169**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Congregation

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Moona Yu

***606 DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Loving God,

in Jesus Christ, you became one of us and entered the wilderness of our lives.

We bring to you now all those who are spending time in places of wilderness.

For all who suffer and sorrow, we ask for healing peace.

For your church and all who seek to follow Christ, we ask for wisdom and grace.

For the people of your world, we ask for divine blessing.

For the leaders of communities and nations, we ask for your guidance.

Teach us to follow the example Jesus gave us, and to serve on his behalf.

(We keep silence as we lift up in prayer all who are on our hearts.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (p. 35, Hymnal)

***HYMN 370**

This Is My Father's World

Congregation

***BENEDICTION**

And all God's children say...**Alleluia! Amen!**

POSTLUDE

Moona Yu

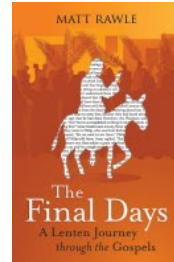
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offerings for Lent



Lenten Devotional: *Grieving Change & Loss*

Pick up your copy in the narthex or request it via email at fpcgreensboroga@gmail.com.



Lenten Study, 9:45 a.m. Sundays, beginning **March 9**. Join us to explore the accounts of Jesus' last days in each of the gospels. We will be using "The Final Days", by Matt Rawle. Class facilitated by Susie Pressley.

Time/Talent Pledge

Please fill out and return yours. You may place it in the offering plate, or respond via email.

Coming Up:

Wed, Mar 12, 11:30 a.m., Women's Lunch @ Susie Pressley's, 1211 Flat Rock St.

Monday, Mar 17, 11:30 a.m., Women's Bible Study - Morning Circle

Wednesday, Mar 19, 5:15 p.m., Women's Bible Study - Evening Circle

Friday, Mar 21, 5:00 p.m. Girls' Night Out

Saturday, Mar 22, 2 p.m., Memorial Service for Fran Blough; Reception to follow.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Andrew Boswell

Carey Brewer

Chuck Thorp

David Blough

Family of Fran Blough

Hal Lipsey

Haley Burns

James Collins

Jane Klaviter

Jay Mayo

Jimmy Moore

Joey Lowder

Johnnie Satterfield

Kenneth Schuff

Rayne Ann Wood

Sandy Simon

Steve Lanier

Susan Eberhart

Nation & World Leaders

People of Israel & Palestine

Ukrainian People

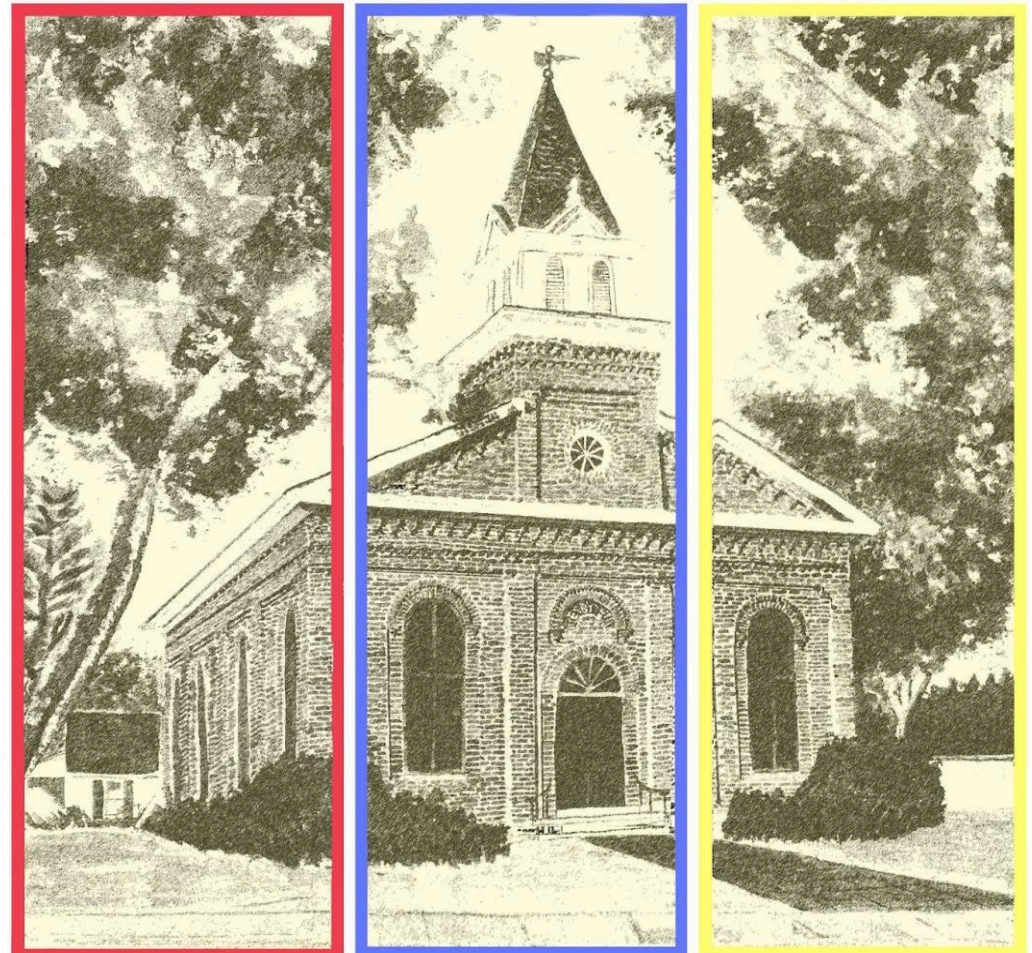
Veterans & Military Members

Each week we pray for one of our church's families. This week we offer prayers for: *Beth Lewis*

Welcome to First Presbyterian!

We are a historic, mission-minded church with Christ-centered, traditional, and relevant worship, eager to include everyone in our church family.

Life Goes Better with Church!



March 9, 2025
First Sunday of Lent