



SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are called to go to places that we don’t know.

People: **We look to the hills for our strength.**

Leader: Our strength is in God, who always goes with us.

People: **We walk in faith.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN

*“I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes”*

No. 45

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and ever-present God, we confess that we are not always sure of you. Our doubts overwhelm us at times. But we continue to search and to yearn for reassurance of your presence with us, no matter what is going on in our lives. In times of joy and in times of sorrow and challenge, help us feel your presence with us. Give us a faith that is strong and sure. Be with us on our journey, the journey to which you call us, that we may walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Paul reminds us that if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation altogether. The old is past and finished, behold, the new has come. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel...

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*(Please share a sign of peace with others.)*

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 581

ANTHEM

*“Come Find Forgiveness and Love”*

~ Don Besig & Nancy Price

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

John 3:1-17

SERMON

*“A Night Visit”*

Rev. Dan Wilkers

SENDING

\*HYMN

*“I Come with Joy”*

No. 515

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*“The Nicene Creed”*

Hymnal p. 34

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Words of Invitation  
The Prayer of Thanksgiving  
The Words of Institution  
The Sharing God’s Gifts  
The Communion Prayer

\*HYMN

*“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”*

No. 687

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Serving Today (Mar 12—Communion)**

Greeters: Joy Lynn Budkey, Jim Ingram

Ushers: Norman & Lynda Self

Lay Reader: Millie Vernon

Element Prep: Nancy Bolen, Dee Barham

Assisting Elders: Rich Tincher, Anne Waddell,

Millie Vernon, Ellen & Dale Watts

**Serving Next Sunday (Mar 19)**

Greeters: Rusty Sudderth, Burch Idol

Ushers: Norman & Lynda Self

Lay Reader: Nancy Bolen

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**GOOD MORNING!** We welcome each of you to this service of worship and we are glad you are here. We invite you to fill out the Welcome card found in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate, so we can welcome you further and start to get to know you better.

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

<b>Today</b> (3/12)	9:00a	Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service— <i>Communion</i>
<b>Mon</b> (3/13)	9:00a	EGGS
		Bulletin Information Due
	6:30p	Sweet Adelines
	7:00p	Stated Session
<b>Tue</b> (3/14)	9:00a	EGGS
	5:00p	Wt. Watchers
<b>Wed</b> (3/15)	9:00a	Wt. Watchers
	9:30a	Men's Bible Study
	7:30p	Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thu</b> (3/16)	9:00a	EGGS
	5:30p	The Next 56 Days
<b>Fri</b> (3/17)		No Scheduled Church Activities
<b>Sat</b> (3/18)	8:30a	Women's Bible Study
<b>Sun</b> (3/19)	9:00a	Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service

**Inclement Weather Policy:** In case of snow or ice, please watch Fox 8 or WXII Channel 12 for notice of delays or cancelations. Elders will also be calling their flock members.

**Easter Flowers:** Please sign up for your Easter Geraniums on the bulletin board. Red will be the only color this year and the price is \$12 per plant. The deadline for placing your order is Sunday, March 26. If you have any questions, please see Priscilla Henderson.

**You're Invited:** On Monday, March 27, Golden Triad Chorus (Sweet Adelines) will host their Family & Friends night. The show begins at 8:00p and everyone is invited.

**Rent-A-Youth:** Don't Forget! If you need any yard work done, household repairs, odds & ends work, please contact Amy Evans and **rent our youth to do the work!**

*Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.*



**Please fill out prayer request cards.**  
This will ensure that your request is added to the prayer list and that names are spelled correctly.  
Thank you for your assistance!



**First Presbyterian Church**

Rev. Dan Wilkers, Interim

Amy Evans, Christian Education Director  
Jane Johnson, Secretary

Nancy Bolen, Choir Director  
Kay Sudderth, Organist