



First Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)  
[Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)]  
Starkville, Mississippi  
February 21, 2021  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

*Order of Worship*

Prelude      *Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley*

Greeting (From I Peter 3:18)

One: For Christ also suffered, once for sin,  
The righteous for the unrighteous

**All: That He might bring us to God!**

Hymn #415      *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and power.  
I will rise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.  
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come ye thirsty, come and welcome; God's free bounty glorify,  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.  
I will rise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.  
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Opening Prayer (Unison)

**Almighty God, Your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to Your Spirit, that as You know our weakness, so we may know Your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Scripture                      Mark 1:9-15

Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostle's 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.**

Sermon

“Changing Directions”

Rev. Ron McDougald

Closing Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer

Postlude     *Spirit Song*

**PRAYER LIST:**

Here are the most recent additions: **Lynn Zimmerman** (COVID); and **Teachers, Students and their families** at all levels of education as they adjust to learning in this time of COVID 19. Please keep these and all those on the list below in your prayers.

**If you would like to add a request or removal to our list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or nancybryson68@gmail.com) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)**

David Earnest  
Rev. Chris Kiepe  
Jason Landry & family  
Bettye Seepe  
Elizabeth Vance  
Josephine Zitta

Deb Freeberg  
Jetta Kuykendall  
Richard Mullenax  
Bill Swoope's Clan  
Family of David Webb

Rev. Wil Howie  
Martha Lancaster  
Jeff O'Rourke  
Cate Van Hurdle  
Clyde Williams

Please be in constant prayer for those suffering with COVID 19, and those who care for them, those with addictions, homelessness, loneliness, hunger, mental illness, the unemployed, prisoners and the poor.

**SUSPENSION OF 'FACE-TO-FACE' SERVICES.** Out of an abundance of caution, and with love and care for our community and congregation, we continue to suspend all face-to-face services (worship, social, choir, etc.) for the immediate future. The Session reviews this decision at each stated meeting. **Our next meeting is Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.** Please contact any Elder or Ron, if you have questions or comments

**PIANIST.** We would like to thank our pianist for the morning, Lynette McDougald.

**CENTS-A-BILITY (2¢-A-MEAL).** The Cents-A-Bility Offering is usually collected the last Sunday of each month. Please remember to send your Cents-Ability Offering in along with your pledge each month. Cents-A-Bility originated in 1976 as "Two-Cents-A-Meal," by Presbyterian Women. This program, though a small step, has been successful in bringing much needed monetary donations to help feed the hungry. Many programs benefit local hunger ministries as well as the national and international projects of the Presbyterian Hunger Program. (PHP). The majority of this offering goes to help food pantries within our Presbytery.

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