



First Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)
[Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)]
Starkville, Mississippi
February 28, 2021
2nd Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

Prelude *Take Up Thy Cross*

Greeting (*From Ephesians 4:32*)

One: Be kind to one another, tender hearted,
Forgiving one another,

All: As God in Christ has forgiven you.

Hymn #443 *There is A Redeemer*

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son:
precious Lamb of God, messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my redeemer, name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinner slain.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory, I will see his face;
there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Opening Prayer (Unison)

God of love, You are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive. Grant us grace or renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be Your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture Mark 8:31-38

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 Spirit, 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 Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sermon

“Forgiveness is the Hard Part”

Rev. Ron McDougald

Closing Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Postlude

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

PRAYER LIST:

Here are the most recent additions: **George Anrams** (Pat Colwick's nephew, surgery following a stroke); **Richard Mullenax** (surgery); **Maria Prather** (dental); **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
Martha Lancaster
Bettye Seepe
Josephine Zitta

Rev. Chris Kiepe
Jason Landry & family
Elizabeth Vance

Jetta Kuykendall
Jeff O'Rourke
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 4th.** Please contact any Elder or Ron, if you have questions or comments

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.

SESSION MEETING. The Session of FPC (USA) will meet on **Thursday, March 4, 2021.** If you have items for the Session to consider please contact: Charles Bryson, Pat Colwick, Robert Green, Sara Green, Susan Kuykendall, or Ron.

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