

# First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, March 18, 2018

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.  
*"Be still and know that I am God."* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE                      *"I Worship You; Holy, Holy, Holy"* (piano) - arr. Hayes  
*"Adagio Cantabile"* (organ) - Mendelssohn

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Rev. Dr. H. Richard McClain, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on His name, make known His deeds among the peoples.  
People: **Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wonderful works.**

\*HYMN                                      *"O Worship the King"* *No. 476*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Gracious God and Judge of all the earth, we thank You and praise You for letting us speak one more time and for listening to us without anger or retribution. We confess that we have betrayed the Son of Man. Have mercy on us and forgive our weaknesses. Breathe strength into our spirits, so that when we come into the time of trial, we may be found awake and ready to defend our faith in Christ. We pray in the name of the One who never betrays us, Jesus. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN                                      *"Spirit of the Living God"*  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Ali Elias

*(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)*

ANTHEM                                      *"Come and Kneel at the Cross"* – Besig Chancel Choir

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Genesis 18:22-33 (NT p14)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Mark 14:32-42 (OT p52)*

SERMON                                      **SERMON SERIES: LENT IN MARK** Rev. Robert K. Bronkema  
*"Jesus the Betrayed"*

\*HYMN                                      *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"* *No. 383*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY                                      *"Jesus in the Morning"* – arr. Williamson

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*HYMN                                      *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"* *No. 276*

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE    *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

\*POSTLUDE                                      *"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"* – arr. Wilson

***In our prayers today and your prayers this week please remember the following:***

**Those affected by the recent storms**

**Dale Groff** ---recovering from bypass surgery

**David Witmer** ---recovering at home

Our sisters and brothers in our partner congregations of the Presbyterian Church of Honduras, Presbytery of Mthatha (South Africa) and Donegal Presbytery. This week pray for:

**Honduras:** Josue 1:9 Congregation, Puente Jalan

**Mthatha:** Khulani Congregation

**Donegal:** Resurrection Chapel, Lancaster

In need of the prayer chain? Call Sandy Bernstorf (687-7276); if no answer, call Mary Taylor (464-4745)

Deacons for March: Marcia Carle (288-2284) & Sandy Hershey (768-8746)

**11:00am**

Greeting & Announcements

Minute for Mission: Rev. Dr. H. Richard McClain, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

\*Praise & Worship

*You are my King (Amazing Love)*

*The Lion and the Lamb*

*Reckless Love*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Ali Elias

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Scripture Readings

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**SERMON SERIES: LENT IN MARK**

*"Jesus the Betrayed"*

\*Offering/Closing Song

*Forever*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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**Next Week (Palm Sunday)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 26-29

Mark 11:1-11

*"Answering Grace"*