



First Presbyterian Church

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**"Vindicate me, My God,
and plead my cause
against an unfaithful nation.
Rescue me from those who are
deceitful and wicked.**

-- Psalm 43:1,5

**Why, my soul, are you downcast?
Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God,
for I will yet praise him,
My Savior and my God."**

Sunday, March 20, 2022

Third Sunday of Lent

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Christopher Henkel
DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Danny Miller
WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am George Pontz

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Welcome

Sunday, March 20, 2022

8:30 AM Worship

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 Call To Thee Lord Jesus Christ"
"In The Hour of Utmost Need"*

J.S. Bach

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 109

Leader: The Lord says to my lord, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool."

People: He will drink from the stream by the path; therefore he will lift up his head.

*HYMN

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

No. 85

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Loving God, we thank you that you have revealed to us your salvation plan through Jesus Christ. We love you and praise you because we are included in that plan as your children. Yet we are often disobedient children who do not deserve the salvation you provide. Forgive us for not understanding how you open the doors to salvation to all people. Thank you for your mercy and grace. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE *[Please share Christ's peace with one another.]*

*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

Beth Feiler

ANTHEM

"Hiding in the Shadow of God"

Sorenson

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Acts 28:26-28

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 43

SERMON

SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"
"When the Psalms Lament"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

No. 403

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"Near to the Heart of God"

No. 527

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

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we.
Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me,
let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

*POSTLUDE

"Oh How Happy Are Ye"

Brahms

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Please pray for all those impacted by the war
- David Witmer
- Clayton Frackman



In Need of the Prayer Chain?

Call Sandy Bernstorff 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676

March Deacons of the Month: John & Janet Fitzgibbon

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

Stand in Your Love
Defender
Desert Song

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Beth Feiler

First Scripture:

Acts 28:26-28

Second Scripture:

Psalm 43

Sermon:

SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"
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*Closing Song

Beautiful Things

*Benediction



NEXT WEEK • *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Sunday • March 27, 2022

First Scripture: Song of Solomon 8:6-7

Second Scripture: Ruth 1:15-18

Sermon: "What Loyalty Looks Like"

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching

ASSISTANCE CORNER

RELIEF FOR UKRAINE: Your session has agreed to send \$5,000 to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance who is working on site in Europe to help with the relief effort for the war. That will be matched by the Synod of the Trinity which will make the final figure \$10,000. If you want to contribute you are welcome to by putting on the memo line of the check: war relief.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS WANTED – We are in need of Coffee Hour hosts. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall for the month of May or June, if you are able to serve. Thank you!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - We are collecting children's items for *Operation Christmas Child* this year. In March, we will be collecting small toys. This includes: Balls, slinky, dolls, puzzles, tops, jump ropes, any kind of small toys. A collection bin is at welcome desk area. Any questions, please contact Beth Feiler.

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL is always very appreciative of your donations which help keep the tuition costs down! There is a bin in the welcome area for your donations. Needed are: 5 oz. cups, wet wipes, crackers, pretzels, animal crackers, cookies, raisins, apples and carrots.

FOOD BANK NEW LISTING OF NEEDS: cereal, spam, tuna, canned chicken, hamburger helpers, pasta sauce, canned whole potatoes, fruit, puddings, tissues. Thank you for your many donations!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Sunday School and Children's Church. Please contact Beth Feiler for more information at bfeiler@straspres.org. Thank you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 20

- 8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional) - In person or virtually online at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 9:30 am **Coffee Hour**
- 10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages – In person only
Young Adults – Choir Rm Wired Word – Rm 6 Young at Heart – Rm 3/4
- 11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:
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<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 3 pm **New Member Class** - The Parlor (Room 6)
- 5:30 pm **FPC youth group** -- Student Ministry room
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Monday, March 21

7 pm PW Meeting – Room 3/4

Tuesday, March 22

9 am & 7 pm Ladies Bible Study – Room 3/4

2 pm Food Bank

Wednesday, March 23

12 pm Lenten Service followed by lunch

1 pm Knifty Knitters – Room 6

3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 3/4

Thursday, March 24

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items

9:30 am Creating Landmarks; Visual Journaling Through Scripture – Rm 5

6 pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>

7 pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, March 25

9 am Toddler Gym – Fellowship Hall

2 pm Food Bank

5 pm Movie Night, "Coco" – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 26

9 am Deborah Circle – Room 3/4

Sermon Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME!

We are glad to see you here today! If you are visiting or new to the area, please fill out a visitors' card located in the pew pockets. Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Happenings" tab for current church events and be sure to like us on Facebook.

COFFEE HOUR

Join us today in Fellowship Hall & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Host for today: Lynn Underhill. Hosts for next week: Evans & Ali Elias-Lizardo. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please e-mail Theresa Rineer at rineertheresa@yahoo.com or call 717-682-9954. There is also a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

LENTEN SERVICES & LUNCHEONS - Join us for weekly services held here at First Presbyterian offered by the Strasburg Ministerium.

12 pm Wednesday Lenten Service Schedule:

March 23	St. Michael's Lutheran Church
March 30	Acts Covenant Fellowship
April 6	First Presbyterian Church of Strasburg

These noon services will be followed by a luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Join us!



NEW MEMBER CLASS • TODAY If you are looking to become a member or are just curious about the church and want to learn more come and join us at 3pm today, March 20, in room 6, better known as the Parlor.

NEW WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY • New study begins **March 29th at 9:00 am and 7 pm • Rm 3/4.** We are excited to offer Kelly Minter's 7-week series on spiritual disciplines entitled, "Encountering God." Now is a good time to join this study since they will be starting a series of discussions on the "Fruit of the Spirit". Please consider joining a study - all are welcome!

See insert in this bulletin for additional events & activities

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Grace Hess, 125 Sides Mill Rd, Strasburg 17579

Email: gehess02@gmail.com Please brighten her day with a card, email or note.

LIBRARY NEWS - Easter themed books are now available for children as well as some Lenten books for adults. They are located on the library shelf across from mailboxes. These books offer insight and reflection on Jesus's passion, death and resurrection.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER NOW OPEN

Preschool registration for the 2022/23 Preschool Year is **NOW** open!

Classes available are:

- Afternoon Pre-K class - Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
- 3 Year class - Tuesday & Thursday 9 am to 11:30 am
- 2 year class - Monday and/or Wednesday 9 am to 11:30 am

Registration forms are available on the [preschool webpage](#). The registration fee is \$45.

(nonrefundable). For more information e-mail Lynn Underhill at hlunderhill@comcast.net



Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:

- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579



Mitzvah Kids

(A KID-LED DIVISION OF MITZVAH MOMS)

DONATION REQUEST

Toothbrushes
Combs

Travel size:

- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Lotion

collecting until APRIL 25
BY GREETER'S DESK



benefitting the
RONALD MCDONALD
HOUSE OF HERSEY

Easter Flowers

It's time to order your Easter flowers, to be placed in the church on Easter Sunday in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Price per pot is \$10.00 and you can take your flowers if you wish after the 11:00 am service on Easter. Fill in the form below and place in church secretary's mailbox or offering plate, along with donation.



Given by: _____

No. of Pots: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Deadline for Ordering is Sunday, March 27, 2021

You can take your flowers home, if you wish, after the 11:00 AM Easter Sunday service. Please deposit this form in the church secretary's mailbox or in the offering plate.



Friday, March 25
6 PM

Movie:

Disney Pixar

COCO

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 16 • 10 am



There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Desk for anyone wishing to help with the Easter Egg Hunt or to donate snack supplies.