

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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February 11, 2018, 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Wayne Wold/Jeannie Lee, organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others.)*

Rev. Jan Butin

STRIKING THE BELL AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

INTROIT

For meet it is

*Arr. Custer/Margitich
based on Carpatho-Russi an Chant*

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Ecclesiastes 3)*

Owen McClintock

For everything there is a season,

and a time for every matter under heaven:

Women/Girls: **a time to be born, and a time to die;**

Men/Boys: **a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;**

Women/Girls: **a time to kill, and a time to heal;**

Men/Boys: **a time to break down, and a time to build up;**

Women/Girls: **a time to weep, and a time to laugh;**

Men/Boys: **a time to mourn, and a time to dance;**

Women/Girls: **a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;**

Men/Boys: **a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;**

Women/Girls: **a time to seek, and a time to lose;**

Men/Boys: **a time to keep, and a time to throw away;**

Women/Girls: **a time to tear, and a time to sew;**

Men/Boys: **a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;**

Women/Girls: **a time to love, and a time to hate;**

Men/Boys: **a time for war, and a time for peace.**

*HYMN 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Glory to God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(seated)*

Daniel Byars

Eternal God, too often we assume our time is our own. We make plans and lists. We care more about getting things done than about noticing and responding to the needs of those around us. Instead of being there for them, we shrink back, afraid of what will be demanded of us. Forgive, us gracious Lord! Place before us the pattern of Jesus, whose heart went out unreservedly to those who needed him. Enlarge our hearts, that we might make room for others; even if we have to adjust our plans to give them our full attention.

(silent reflection) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: **in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 519

You are My Strength When I Am Weak

Glory to God

You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Robert Ross

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SONG 2233

Where Children Belong

Sing the Faith

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:21-42

²¹ When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²² Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³ and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴ So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵ Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶ She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹ Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹ And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³² He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³ But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵ While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷ He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement.

SERMON

Responding to God's Interruptions

Rev. Phil Butin

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(from the Confession of 1967)*

In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared our needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to sinners of all kinds. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged our goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. We rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for us all, he took upon himself the judgment we deserve. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became the victor, winning the victory over sin and death for us all.

The risen Christ is the Savior for all. Joined to him by faith, we are set right with God and commissioned to serve as his reconciling community. Christ is head of this community, the church, which began with the apostles and continues through all generations.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSEDoxology**Glory to God*

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!
 praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
 Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION*THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION****INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE****GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
 It is truly right and our greatest joy. . .singing:
 (Hymn 559) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**
 Great is the mystery of faith:
 (Hymn 560) **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**
 Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us. . .now and forever.
 (Hymn 561) **Amen, amen, amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP*(Gluten-Free elements are available at the pulpit side station.)****HYMN 529***Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether**Glory to God*

**Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in your name
 two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Here we touch your garment's hem.**
**As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
 then with thanks to God the giver break the bread and bless the cup,
 Alleluia! Alleluia! so now bind our friendship up.**
**All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,
 That by caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
 Amen.**

SENDING***HYMN 773***Heaven Shall Not Wait**Glory to God*

*We invite you to bring forward your gifts for C.E.O.
 and place them in the basket at the front of the Sanctuary.*

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL RESPONSE

Five Fold Amen

S. Michael Shuman

POSTLUDE

Passacaglia: The Goodness of God Endures Forever

Douglas Wagner

**Called to be a light on the hill,
we boldly proclaim and serve Christ,
the Hope of our changing world.**

**Reaching out as a visible expression of God's grace,
we will meet people where they are,
inviting all into Christ's family through
engaging worship, fellowship, learning, and service.**

	4:00 p.m.	Youth Leadership Team Meeting	Lower Witherspoon
	4:00 p.m.	Bells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m.	United Presbyterian Youth Together	Lower Witherspoon
	5:00 p.m.	Christian Education Committee	Calvin 201
	6:00 p.m.	Session	Library
Mon., Feb. 12	1:00 p.m.	Presbyterian Women's Circle 3	Butterfield Trail Village, Green Room
Tues., Feb. 13	9:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Women's Circle 1	Upper Witherspoon
	3:30 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Butterfield Trial Village
	5:30 p.m.	Shrove Tuesday Celebration	Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Properties Committee	Calvin 201
	6:30 p.m.	Fellow"Shape" Yoga	Upper Witherspoon
Wed., Feb. 14	6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Village Inn
	12:00 and 6:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship	Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Thurs., Feb. 15	5:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee	Calvin 201
Fri., Feb. 16	8:30 a.m.	7 Hills Meal Preparation	Kitchen
	10:00 a.m.	Hooks and Needles	Upper Witherspoon
	11:00 a.m.	7 Hills Meal Delivery and Serve	7 Hills Shelter
	6:00 p.m.	Marriage Group	Upper Witherspoon
Sat., Feb. 17	10:00 a.m.	Fellow"Shape" Zumba	Fellowship Hall

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME! Ushers are happy to help with any questions. Copies of the latest newsletter are available in the Narthex and you are invited to attend any events of interest to you.

EACH YEAR, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA HONOR THE CONNECTION BETWEEN FAITH AND SCOUTING on a Sunday close to the birthday of the BSA on February 8. We have invited the Scouts in our chartered troop, Troop 142, as well as all Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts who are members of our congregation, to come in uniform to honor the day. We are thrilled to welcome members of Troop 142 today. We have members of our congregation who are involved in Scouting as leaders and participants in most Cub Scout packs and Troops in town. We are grateful for all that Troop 142 and Scouts in our church have done in service to FUPC. We have several Eagle Scout projects and service projects on our campus that have been completed by Scouts who are members of FUPC and/or of Troop 142.

PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE FOR CHILDREN under 5 years old is provided in Lower Calvin from 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. We offer a **Time with Children** each week in worship. Afterward, children may go to childcare or stay for the entire service. **Child-friendly bulletins with activities** are available in the Narthex, along with **children's worship packets**.

OUR MONTHLY COOPERATIVE EMERGENCY OUTREACH (C.E.O.) OFFERING will be collected today.

COFFEE, TEA, HOT CHOCOLATE, OATMEAL, AND PASTRIES are available between services. Please feel welcome to pick up a bite to eat in the Calvin hallway and to visit in Fellowship Hall over a hot beverage, too.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE IS COLLECTING NEW AND GENTLY USED COATS, HATS, AND GLOVES to be donated to 7-Hills for individuals and families in need. Please leave items in the box in the Narthex or on the stage in Fellowship Hall. Items will be collected through today and will be delivered to 7-Hills this week.

OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES IS *Reaching Out with the Love of Jesus*.

February 14 *Ash Wednesday*

February 18 *Recognizing Our Personal Limits and Empowering Others*

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP begins our Lenten discipline. This reflective service will include prayers and the

Fifth-Sixth Graders • Hillary Fischer • Lower Knox

Seventh-Twelfth Graders • Jacob and Brianne Christiansen and Melissa Harrington • Lower Witherspoon

Adults currently can choose from three different classes:

Faith in Action (The Present Word) • Dennis Brewer and Jane Steinkraus • Calvin 203

Animate: Practices • Sara and Brett Torbett • Upper Witherspoon

You Are What You Love • Derrik Olsen and Phil Butin • Calvin 201

TWO LENTEN BOOK STUDIES WILL TAKE PLACE BEGINNING NEXT WEEK.

Rebecca Haden and the Earth Care Task Force will lead a class on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Library using ***Serve God, Save the Planet*** by J. Matthew Sleeth. Join us to explore how the scriptural lessons of personal responsibility, simplicity, and stewardship could be applied to modern life through the experiences of the Sleeth's.

Plan to gather weekly for a light lunch (provided) and to study John Ortberg's, ***Who Is This Man?: The Unpredictable Impact of the Inescapable Jesus***. This text will help us see how Jesus has impacted the world like no other person in history and why it makes a difference in our everyday life. This group will meet in Upper Witherspoon at noon every Wednesday during Lent beginning February 21 through March 28. They will also meet at the end of Holy Week, on Friday and Saturday (March 30 and 31), at noon.

WE ARE GETTING READY FOR A BIG SHROVE TUESDAY CELEBRATION in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, February 13, at 5:30 p.m. as we prepare for the start of Lent in Mardi Gras fashion! We will be setting festive tables and serving a traditional "Fat Tuesday" meal. (It was customary for Christians to feast and "fill up" before they began their Lenten fasting.) If you prefer a lighter meal, we invite you to bring a dinner that matches your diet, but please plan to come for a fun evening. Some of the men of the church will be flipping pancakes. There will be music and, of course, we'll all get to sing "When the Saints Go Marching In." All ages will enjoy this!

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING: STATE OF THE CHURCH will take place next Sunday, February 18, from 12:15-1:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A free barbeque meal will be catered by Matt Brunett, brother of Megan Ober. Please reserve this date on your calendars.

THE VIOLIN-PIANO DUO, COLIBRI, WILL PRESENT A CONCERT ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Colibri is the culmination of fifteen years of musical collaboration between violinist Evelyn Petcher and pianist Hannah Mindeman. Colibri has appeared in concert at the U of A and were featured on the guest artist series at JBU in March, 2017. Both committed educators, Colibri enjoy giving workshops alongside their concerts. This concert is free and open to the public. All are invited to hear and enjoy music on the hill.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP Q & A - Parents and youth are invited to join us on February 25, at 9:30 a.m. in Lower Witherspoon to learn more about our Houston mission trip in June and get started with registration.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN INVITE YOU TO A WINTER TEA on Sunday, February 25, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your family and friends and drop in any time from 2:00-3:30 p.m. for a cup of hot tea and light refreshments. Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to the United Campus Ministries food pantry. Monetary donations or gift cards are also welcome. Items needed include: protein bars, boxes of fruit snacks, plain wheat or white bread, individually—wrapped Rice Krispie treats, snack-sized packages of cookies, chips, chocolate, or other candy.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO PUT "THE NWA P.L.A.C.E." ON YOUR CALENDAR. The theme will be "The Changing Face of the Church." This presbytery event will be hosted here at FUPC on Saturday, April 7, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. There is no cost. Ten workshops will be offered (you'll be able to choose three) and we're hoping many of you will