The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin Sixth Sunday after Epiphany February 17, 2019 10:00 a.m.

Enter the church in silence. Through silence speak to God and let God speak to you.

PREPARATION: The following are the lectionary scriptures for this morning: Psalm 1 (Pew Bible page 424) Happy are those who delight in God's law, like trees by the water. Jeremiah 17:5-10 (Pew Bible page 628) Curses and blessings; those who trust in the Lord are like trees. 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 (Pew Bible pages 935-936) If there is no resurrection of the dead, our faith has been in vain. Luke 6:17-26 (Pew Bible page 838) In his sermon on the plain, Jesus speaks of blessings and curses. (Today's service is based on Psalm 34 and Philippians 4:4-9)

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GATHERING

BELL PEAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

GATHERING SONGS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the Lord at all times.

God's praise shall continuously be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

Let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the name of the Lord with me.

Let us exalt God's name together.

Let us pray.

When we sought you Lord, you answered us. You delivered us from all our fears. How gracious you are! You keep an eye on the righteous. Your ears are open to their cries. The righteous may suffer affliction; but you, Lord, come to their aid. All glory and praise belong to you; through your son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen. Let us worship God.

*HYMN #468

"Let All the World in Every Corner Sing"

Augustine

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus: we know that our ways are not your ways. Try as we might, we do not come close to your faithful lifestyle of healing, obedience, forgiveness, and love. Transform us by the gift of your forgiveness. Send us forth from this place with a new outlook on life. Renewed in hope and confident in your powerful love, help us be your faithful disciples, now and always. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (<u>Hymnal</u> #579) "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 4:4-9 (Pew Bible page 955)

The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Consecration"

Chatfield

THE PSALTER

Psalm 34 (Pew Bible pages 441-442)

This, too, is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

MOMENT OF SILENCE

MEDITATION "The Voice of Thanksgiving" Rev. Dr. Thomas P. Harp

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' 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.

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Now Thank We All Our God"

Kaufmann

*DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591) "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Christ, all people here below.

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen."

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

*HYMN #425 "Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"

Abbot's Leigh

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Fugue in g"

J. S. Bach

For some, the Postlude serves as festive music to accompany their going out into the world. Others prefer to remain seated and listen. Those departing during the Postlude can help those who listen by softening their joyful greeting of others.

*Please rise in body or spirit.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 24, 2019 will be the Seventh Sunday after Epiphany. The lectionary scriptures will be: Psalm 37: 1-11, 39-40 (Pew Bible pages 443-444) Trust in the Lord and do good; you will live in the land and be secure. Genesis 45:3-11, 15 (Pew Bible page 37) Joseph tells his brothers, "God sent me before you to preserve life." 1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50 (Pew Bible page 936) How are the dead raised? There is a spiritual body, raised in glory. Luke 6:27-38 (Pew Bible page 838) Jesus says, "Love your enemies. Be merciful. Do not judge, but forgive."

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome! It is good to be together as a community while we worship in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Following the service, there will be a time of light refreshments and further conversation and connection with one another in Hager Hall. The easiest way to access the hall from the sanctuary is through the doors closest to the pulpit and to the right.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER – You are invited to fill out the Friendship Register with as much information as you are comfortable in sharing. It can be found at the center end of each pew. As it is returned to the center aisle, please take time to look at the names of others with whom you are sitting. It can be a good feeling to call someone by their name, even though you are just meeting them, and it is a reminder that, this morning, we are all part of God's community together.

HAVE CHILDREN? – A professionally staffed nursery is available for children age 3 and younger in the Nursery Room, off of the Courtyard. Coloring pages for use in worship are also available. Ask an usher about both. After the beginning of worship, children through 5th grade will be invited to attend "Sonshine Mountain," a time of fun and faith just for them. They will be returned to meet their families in Hager Hall following worship.

NEW TO FIRST CHURCH? – Thank you for being here today! Your presence adds to this experience of worship. Please introduce yourself to the folks around you and to Pastor David. If you'd like, you are welcome to identify yourself with the "Visitor" stickers found in the Friendship Register. At the close of worship, please feel free to take a Blue Welcome Bag, which includes a small gift and further information about First Church. They can be found at the front.

LIKE TO KNOW MORE? – For more information about First Presbyterian Church, its ministry and mission, and how we can grow and learn together, please:

- See the announcements in this bulletin
- Go to the church website (<u>www.fpcdunedin.org</u>)
- Read the monthly newsletter, *The Voice*, found at various information tables here and on the church website.
- Find us on Facebook
- Contact the church office (727-733-2318, frontoffice@fpcdunedin.org)

THOSE WITH VISION OR HEARING IMPAIRMENTS – Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers. Hearing assisted devices are also available at the sound booth.

FIRST FRIENDS PRESCHOOL OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DUNEDIN offers Christian based curriculum for ages 1-5 and the Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Program. Call 727-733-2111 for more information. Visit the website at www.firstfriendspreschool.net or like us on Facebook @ First Friends Preschool – Dunedin Florida.

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

USHERS: Suzanne Wilde, Ken Friou, Judy MacDougall, John Wigle
LITURGIST: Graham Shelor
SOUND TECHNICIANS: Dave Thomas and Jeff Cockrell

SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY

Lynn and Paul Burks in memory of Paul's mother Nina S. Burks

TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES

9:30 a.m. – Searcher Sunday School Class – Eric Houghton (HR) 9:30 a.m. – Foundation Sunday School Class (L) 10:00 a.m. – Worship (S) 10:20 a.m. – Children's Sunday School (B) 11:00 a.m. – Picnic (PL)

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

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| Monday (18th) | 8:30 a.m. | Prayer Walkers (PL) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Dialogues (L) |
| Tuesday (19 th) | 9:00 a.m. | Staff Meeting (MR) |
| | 2:00 p.m. | Koinonia (L) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Session (MR) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | AA (EHH) |
| Wednesday (20 th) | 11:00 a.m. | Senior Exercise Class (HH) |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Handbell Rehearsal (BC) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Video Club (L) |
| Thursday (21st) | 11:00 a.m. | OA (EHH) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Girl Scouts (B) |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (CR) |
| | 8:00 p.m. | NA (EHH) |
| Friday (22 nd) | 6:30 p.m. | AA (EHH) |
| Saturday (23 rd) | 7:00 p.m. | AA (EHH) |
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Legend: (B) Basement Game Room; (BC) Bell Choir EB; (C) Cinema EB); (CR) Choir Room; (EB) Ed Bldg 2nd Fl; (EHH) East Hager Hall; (FO) Front Office; (HH) Hager Hall; (HR) Highlander Room; (L) Library; (MR) Meeting Room; (N) Nursery; (PL) Parking Lot; (PS) Ed Bldg Gr Floor; (S) Sanctuary; (10) Scout Hut on Louden; (612) Green House

FUTURE EVENTS

Sunday, February 24

United Walk for Peace – 2:00 p.m. Dunedin Community Chorus Concert – 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27

Alma College Choir Concert – 7:00 p.m.

Contact Stephen Allen (fpcdunedin.org or 727-733-2318) about housing and dinner needs.

Wednesday, March 6 - Ash Wednesday

Service at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 10

Daylight Saving Time begins!

Sunday, March 31

Kirkin' o' the Tartans

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US TODAY immediately following worship for our Celebration Picnic! Catered meal, live music, and dancing in the parking lot. It's free! Everyone is welcome! No regular Fellowship Hour today.

ALMA COLLEGE CHOIR HOUSING NEED! Overnight housing is still needed for 30 of the 43 students (24 girls and 19 boys) from Alma College on Wednesday, February 27 following their concert at FPC. We plan to provide the students with a pot-luck dinner prior to their concert as well. If you (or anyone you know) can help with these two events, please contact Stephen Allen at the church.

<u>KOINONIA</u> Robin Story will review 3 books by Fiona Davis on February 19 at 2 p.m. in the FPC Library. *The Masterpiece* takes place in Grand Central Station; *The Doll House*, in The Barbizon Hotel; and *The Address*, in The Dakota. Please come for Robin's creative presentation on Tuesday, February 19 at 2 p.m. in the FPC Library.

<u>THE VIDEO CLUB</u> will meet on Wednesday, February 20 at Country Boy Restaurant. We will return to the church at approximately 7:00 to watch the documentary by Stephen Fry, *Last Chance to See Blue Whales*.

FEBRUARY DIALOGUES: A SMALL GROUP ENCOUNTER The Rev. Dr. Tom Harp will be leading our February 18th discussion of Paul Santmire's book, *Before Nature: A Christian Spirituality*, at 7:00 p.m. in the church library. Tom promises that you will find this book "an intensely personal testimony of earth-honoring faith." Santmire invites readers on a theological and spiritual journey to a prayerful and contemplative knowledge of the Triune God. Copies of the book are available in the "Greening of the Church" section of the church library. For further information, contact Dr. Brenda Thomas, drbwt1969@gmail.com.

<u>WINDOWS PROJECT UPDATE</u> We're making progress with the windows project. The clear glass shows us what the church looked like for about half of its existence. Some of our beautiful colored windows will return soon.

<u>SUPPER CLUB</u> Next Sunday, February 24th is the last opportunity to sign up for the March 8th Supper Club gatherings. Please stop by the Supper Club table in Hager Hall between the services or following the traditional service. We are short of hosts, so if you can host a gathering, please enter that information on the sign-up sheet. Due to the Stewardship Consecration Sunday and picnic activities, there will be no sign-up opportunity this Sunday.

SESSION MEMBERS please remember the Session Docket is now sent via email. Session meets Tuesday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

THE GREENING OF THE CHURCH EVENT Pinellas County Landfill has been set for Friday, March 1 from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. You must register for this tour by calling (727) 464-7500 – then button 4, or online at www.eventbrite.com and type "Pinellas County Solid Waste". Space is limited, register today to reserve your spot. If you want to carpool from the church or want more information, please see Barbara Hanson, or call to leave a message at 727-539-8901.

MISSION COMMITTEE IS ON THE MOVE Academie Da Vinci has a need for personal items for middle school girls who either live with their single fathers or go back and forth between mom and dad's homes. To curb the uncomfortable moments asking Dad for personal hygiene products, the girls can now go into the school bathroom cabinet and find just the right item needed for personal care. These items were prayerfully donated by FPC through our Mission Committee. The middle school girls said they will be forever thankful to our church for our help!

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u> Relay for Life is April 12th at 6 p.m. at the Oldsmar Sports Complex, 3120 Tampa Road

PRAYER REQUESTS - the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)

- Freddie Webb at Mease Dunedin
- Clare Mock with a torn ligament in her bicep
- Diana Carsey's sister, Carol, in Texas
- Carol O'Briant facing surgery
- Jack Hicks facing chemo treatments and surgery Jack & Beverly would cherish receiving cards and notes from us. Please contact the church office for their address.
- Julie Ross Albaugh following recent surgery
- Lynda DiGioia, sister of Nancy Klopp, following a stroke

For continued healing: Al Schlorholtz, Janice Stephens, Rev. Buddy and Frances Doyle, Margie Skinner, Marion Guthrie, Joyce Swan, Liz Bailey, Richard Garlick, Matthew Lanier, John Willmarth, Debby Womack

Church Attendance on Sunday, February 10, 2019 - Worship Café 57; Traditional 165

Is God in your will?