

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENID

March, 3rd 2024 -10:50am | The Third Sunday in Lent

On the 1st Sunday of each month we celebrate Family Sunday, and invite children of all ages to stay in the sanctuary for worship as we celebrate The Lord's Supper.

Kids are welcome to get up and wander, dance, color, and worship however they feel led!

Texts in bold indicate places where the congregation reads together.

**Asterisks (stars) indicate places where the congregation is invited to rise in body or spirit.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*🎵 **"Sing Glory to the Name of God" #10**

CALL TO CONFESSION

We all mess up and break God's commandments.

Together, let us confess the ways we've hurt God and each other.

LITANY OF REPENTANCE

Exodus 20:1-17

O Lord, Our God,

You created us out of nothing.

And you've brought us through life so far.

But we would rather take the credit.

We tell ourselves that we made it on our own.

We have ignored your commandments.

You made us to love you and our neighbor.

But we have worshipped other gods.

We've made idols out of money,

and bowed down at the altars of power.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to use your name recklessly.

But we've sworn oaths we didn't keep.

We've invoked your name to put others down.

We've told people we believe in you

in order to justify our thoughts and our actions.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us to remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

But we would rather stay busy.

We've worked at work and worked at home and worked at church

but forgotten to slow down and listen for you.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us to honor our mothers and fathers.

But we think we know best.

We've ignored the wisdom of our elders.

We grow impatient when they can't use their iPhones.

We forget that they were once us.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to murder.

But we've cut each other down with our thoughts and our words.

We have considered revenge when we were sinned against.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to commit adultery.

But we lust after what is not ours.

We have loved temptation instead of fighting it.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to steal.

But we have taken what is not ours.

We covet what belongs to others.

We convince ourselves that the world is ours for the taking.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to bear false witness against our neighbor.

But we spread stories we've heard.

We trade gossip for influence. We repeat things we haven't verified.

We embellish and inflate to make our point.

We have ignored your commandments.

You told us not to covet our neighbors.

But our lives overflow with jealousy.

We want more and more and more.

We think our value is tied up in our assets.

We forget that our value comes from you alone.

We have ignored your commandments.

Forgive us, oh God, for what we've done. And for what we've left undone. Forgive us for breaking your commandments.

Help us to change. Restore in us a right spirit, and lead us in your ways. Help us to follow your commandments. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.

And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us,

Christ prays for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

***🎵 GLORIA PATRI**

**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. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME & OFFERING

To make a gift online, visit www.FPCEnid.com.

March's Special Offering goes to support One Great Hour of Sharing

***🎵 THE DOXOLOGY #606**

**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.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

God we are here today to hear your word. Open our ears. Open our minds. Open our hearts. Help us to hear your word for us.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 2:13-22 (ESV)

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then

said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

EPISTLE READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25 (NRSV)

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

Anthem

“I Will Trust in the Lord”

FPC Choir

STATIONS OF THE TABLETS

Rev. Alison Burchett

*🎵 **“The Lord is God” #63**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE LORD’S SUPPER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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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. ...

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. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All people are invited to take communion at FPC. Certified gluten-free communion is available at all serving stations. If you are not able to come forward or would like to receive communion from your seat, please raise a hand and a server will bring the elements to you.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

***🎵 BLESSED BE THE TIE THAT BINDS**

**Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRES!

Whether this is your first time in a church, or you've been here forever, we are glad to have you with us here today.

I pray that while you're here, you'll find a joyful and inclusive community where we lift each other up, wrestle with big questions, and seek to share the Love of Christ with one another and our community.

After church, I hope you'll stick around for a minute and say hello. If you have questions about our church, what we believe, or how to get involved, come find me or an usher after the service, or shoot me a text or email and we'll get together for coffee!

-Alison Burchett, Pastor

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Kay's dad, Lynn; Leslie & David's daughter, Nikki; John & Linda Gibbs, Casey Cribley Thaler, Linda Thacker, Kathy Logan, Gay Cocheres, Cheryl Meyers, Karen Kump, Ashley Hughes, Larry Everitt, Stephanie Ezzell, Suzy Traynor, Luke Harrison, Lacinda Harrison, Tracy Strimple, Max & Carolyn Moore, Beth Young, Margaret Ball, Marylyn Branson-Keck, Marilyn Pearce, Tricia Pruitt

MANNA MEAL UPDATES

2/24 — Thank You Natalie C. & Christy L. 75 Served!

Upcoming Servers:

Mar. 9– Stephanie E.
Mar.16-Deb & Christy

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRES:

Monday, Mar. 4

12:00 Dance Class - Gym
3:30 Good News Easter Egg
Hunt Planning-FR
6:00 A. A

Tuesday, Mar. 5

10:00am Sail - Gym
11:30am ARTS –Otwa's

Wednesday, Mar. 6

3:30pm Tutoring
6:15 pm Choir

Thursday, Mar. 7

10:00am Sail - Gym
10:30-11:30am Meals on Wheels
11:00am Theological Thursday Study
6:00pm A.A

Saturday, Mar. 9

11:00am Manna

Sunday, Mar. 10

9:15am Sunday School
10:15am Choir Warm-up
10:50am Worship

Church Office Hours

Monday—Friday
9:00am—4:00pm

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*The weekly calendar
and information about
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First Presbyterian Church Session

Kay Lamerton	Class of 2024
Eddie Lou Strimple	Class of 2024
David Moore	Class of 2024
Stephanie Ezzell	Class of 2024
Greg Hodgen	Class of 2025
Gail Wynne	Class of 2025
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