

To Our Visitors, Welcome!

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come – this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and we invite you to join us for fellowship, coffee, and cookies after the service in the parlor.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone with a nametag for directions. Denim activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during the service.

Announcements



Mark your calendars and plan to join us for several special services as we celebrate **Holy Week** this year.

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| Palm Sunday | 11:00 A.M. | March 20th |
| Maundy Thursday | 7:00 P.M. | March 24th |
| Good Friday | 7:00 P.M. | March 25th |
| Easter Sunday | 11:00 A.M. | March 27th |

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Prayer Concerns

- † Phyllis Karns; Elizabeth Specht; Eli & Lola Dobson, children of Dominique Hennagin Dobson
- † For our country and all her officers, our state and all her officers, and our local community and all her officers.
- † For all military men and women and their families, including Brian Barksdale, and especially for those serving in dangerous positions
- † For the EPC Presbytery of the West, specifically for Rev. Pat Jeffrey and the congregation of Grace Community Church of Falcon, CO; Kamwangu Nendini and Pastor Mackylas, Ali Arhab and Channel North Africa
- † For Christians suffering persecution in Iraq

Upcoming Events for the week of March 6-13

TODAY

9:15 Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship

Monday 7th

2:00 P.M. Parish Life

Tuesday 8th

9:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M. Romans Study
4:15 P.M., 6:15 P.M. Companions
in Christ

Wednesday 9th

7 P.M. Choir

Thursday 10th

2:00 P.M. Dorcas

Next Sunday Mar. 13th

9:15 Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship

Next Sunday:

OT Text: Leviticus 13:38-46
NT Text: Luke 5:12-16
Sermon: "You Must Be a Beggar"

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Order for the Worship of God

March 6, 2016

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prelude *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Lowell Mason

Welcome and Announcements

*Invocation

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and peace to you.

People: And also to you.

***Opening Hymn** All Hail the Power of Jesus Name #296

***Call to Worship** (from Psalm 23)

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

People: Let us worship the Lord our shepherd.

Leader: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

People: Let us worship the Lord our shepherd.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

People: Let us worship the Lord our shepherd.

***Lenten Hymn** *Man of Sorrows! What a Name* #246

Psalter Psalm 24
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 458, [Red] p. 582
Reading alternate verses

Prayer of Confession (in unison) (from Deuteronomy 5:9)

Lord, we know that you are a jealous God. You punish the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate you. Forgive us for provoking your jealousy and send the Holy Spirit into our hearts that we might offer lives, which are pleasing to you. We are thankful that even though you are a jealous God, you desire to shower your grace on us and you tell us that you show love to a thousand generations who love you. We praise you Lord that jealousy does not have the final say, but your grace poured out in Jesus has spoken the final word.

~ Silent confession ~ **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon (responsively)

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri** #735

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Texts

Deuteronomy 6:4-7
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 151, [Red] p. 192
Leviticus 19:17-18
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 98, [Red] p. 124

New Testament Text

Luke 10:25-37
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 869, [Red] p. 1105

Sermon *The Samaritan Who Cared* Greg Irwin

***Hymn** *How Firm a Foundation* #94

Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving
Intercession
For the Church
For the Ministry
For the Nation
For all People
The Lord's Prayer (inside hymnal cover)

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* Dykes

***Doxology** #731

***Confession of Faith** *Westminster Confession 1.4*

The Bible speaks authoritatively and so deserves to be believed and obeyed. This authority does not depend on the testimony of any man or church but completely on God, its author, who is himself truth. The Bible therefore is to be accepted as true, because it is the word of God.

***Hymn** *For All the Saints* #358

*Benediction

***Postlude** *God So Loved the World* John Stainer

***Please stand if you are able**

Participants in Today's Service

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| Elder | Greg Irwin |
| Choirmaster | Zach Vreeman |
| Organist | Marilyn Fry |
| Liturgist | MH Hennagin |
| Head Usher | Judy Schenk |
| Greeter | Janis Hall |
| Nursery | Susan Jacobsen, Jane Drake |

Information

- ✦ Please call the church office (237-9509) ...
If you or a member of your family would like a visit while recuperating in the hospital or at home.
If you have a prayer concern.
- ✦ Session requests that each member pay an EPC Annual Asking Amount of \$48 for 2016 (above and beyond your pledge)

Our Mission Statement

Out of humble gratitude for the free and undeserved gift of grace we have received through Christ, the mission of First Presbyterian Church (EPC) is:

To proclaim, with boldness, God's glory, truth, and love revealed to us in his Word through the Holy Spirit. We seek to worship Him with our entire lives, being continually reformed to Scripture, our only guide in faith and practice.

Minute for Mission

After over nine years, is there MORE you would like to know about our Global Ministry partner, Channel North Africa? Do you have questions for its founder, Pastor Ali Arhab (who visited us at FPC in 2009)? Is there some detail you've wondered about, but just never asked?

Now's the time to get first-hand answers! Ali has plans to give the XXXXXX's a tour of CNA's new television studio/Gospel outreach center in Sete, France, on the Mediterranean coast, during their visit to France!

CNA's move from France's most northern border puts the television outreach that much closer to the Muslims they reach out to in North Africa. It also provides far more space to have DDK training for the pastors, who then go into Algeria to begin home churches and encourage new believers who have heard the Gospel on CNA programming.

Let MH know your questions, and she will take them to Ali and/or other members of the CNA ministry!