



## BENEDICTION

### \*Song of Response

“Build My Life”

### \*Response

**Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome.** We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Connect Card in our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at [fpcbr.org/connect](http://fpcbr.org/connect).

**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be emailed ([prayer@fpcbr.org](mailto:prayer@fpcbr.org)), sent through Facebook Live or by using the church app.

**Beat the Traffic and Come to Worship Early Next Week!** The Louisiana Marathon passes near First Presbyterian Sunday, March 7! Give yourself a few extra minutes for parking and arrive early.

**Home Groups.** It's not too late to join a Lent home group! We hope to have hundreds of us meeting this year fellowshiping, studying and praying through the Scriptures about our union with Christ. Contact Kelly Wood ([kelly@fpcbr.org](mailto:kelly@fpcbr.org)) to get connected.

**High School Seniors Sunday School Class Starts Today.** Calling all high school seniors. Please join Gerrit Dawson as he leads a Sunday school class just for you. Meets each Sunday at 10.10 in the library beginning today.

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**Convention Street Parking Lot Closed.** As our perimeter fencing project progresses, the Convention Street parking lot is closed for construction all week. It will be completed in time for worship next Sunday, March 7.

***In Christ Alone: Discovering Where You Truly Live.*** Visit [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org) to sign up to receive the daily readings via email.

**SIAC Seminary Grants.** The Session Income Allocation Committee is accepting applications through March 15 for financial grants for individuals interested in pursuing full time Christian ministry. Please contact Jaci if you have questions ([jaci@fpcbr.org](mailto:jaci@fpcbr.org) or 620.0221).

**Twice a Week: Hurricane Relief Day Trips.** Whitney Alexander leads a group of relief workers each Wednesday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome. Meet him in the church parking lot at 6.30 am. Bring work gloves! Also, relief items continue to be collected in the gym. Immediately needed items: contractor bags, buckets and cleaning supplies (Fabuloso and bleach).

**Why Do We Mask?** At First, we insist on masks at our gatherings. Is it inconvenient? Yes! Is their effectiveness debatable? Yes! But . . . 1) It's the law, 2) We respect the medical minds in our own congregation and 3) *We love one another.* We have members who are at risk, fellow worshipers who, for safety concerns, would not come if we wore no masks. Scripture (1 Cor. 8) clearly calls on those who have more freedom to inconvenience themselves for those who have less. So, please, wear a mask inside and do it for love's sake.

**Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers:** Interested in donating flowers? Contact Kathy Mullins: 603.4735.

**Scripture for Next Week:** Galatians 4: 4-7; 3: 26-27

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## ORDER of WORSHIP

February 28, AD 2021

9 am

Second Sunday of Lent



## GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

### \*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Colossians 1

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.  
**By him all things were created, in heaven and on earth.**

He is before all things, and in him, all things hold together.  
**He is the head of the body, the church, and the firstborn from the dead.**

In him, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, by making peace by the blood of his cross.  
**Therefore, we lift our voices to praise you, Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior and our God.**

### \*Song of Praise

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

### \*Blessing God

### \*Songs of Praise

“Jesus Messiah”  
“Nothing but the Blood”



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### \*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.  
Please place your offering in the baskets as you exit worship today.

### Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

2 Corinthians 1: 20-22

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory. And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

1 Corinthians 1: 30

And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another

**In all wisdom, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God (Colossians 3: 16).**

### Sermon

Gerrit Dawson  
“The Great Yes”



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### Time of Reflection

### \*Song of Response

“Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me”

### Scriptural Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Christ in me, the hope of glory!  
Blessed Holy Spirit, I marvel that you would reside in me.  
How can you stand to lodge near my  
Selfish thoughts, my resentments, my lusts, my greeds?  
Yet you bring Jesus the redeemer to me!  
You work his life in me from the inside out.  
What a big work you have to do!  
And how patiently, gently you undertake it.  
This day I invite your guidance,  
Your shaping, your desire, your direction  
To transform me more and more.  
Oh Christ in me, great mystery of our union,  
Flow through me that I might do your will  
And rejoice at day's end to give you thanks.**

### Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon



## INTERCESSION

### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer