Pastoral Prayer



*Song of Response "Cornerstone"

*Response

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



Lent Home Groups Forming Now! This year's Lent small groups will be smaller in size. By being more intimate, they will offer more opportunity to hear one another's thoughts on the daily readings as well as opportunity for prayer and shepherding one another toward understanding what it means to live in Christ alone. Please contact Kelly Wood (*kelly@fpcbr.org*) to get connected with a group. Meetings begin the week of February 21.

Annual Meeting Today at 10.15 am. We'll hear great testimonies from youth, review our city ministries, hear a budget presentation and elect nominating committee members. There is no adult Sunday school.

Contemplative Prayer Hour Tomorrow. Monday at 10 am, Katie and Ryan Forsthoff will lead a quiet hour in SB 220 featuring guided silent prayer based on the reading of Scripture, as well as a brief reflection on the Sunday sermon. This prayer hour takes place every other Monday. All are welcome. More information at *fpcbr.org*.

Foto Sisters to Lead Worship Next Sunday. The talented sisters we love so much will lead 9 am and 11 am worship on Sunday, February 14. It is always a pleasure to hear them share Christ through song.

Ash Wednesday Worship. Join us as we kick off Lent February 17 with an Ash Wednesday noon service in the Sanctuary. All are welcome. Bring a coworker.

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In Christ Alone: Books To Be Hand Delivered To You. Beginning February 14, your officers and pastors will begin delivering books to your home. It's a quick, safe drop off. But we wanted to be sure, in these COVID times, that every member gets a copy before February 21 when the daily readings begin. You can get extra copies at church and also sign up for daily emails.

In Christ Alone: Daily Emails During Lent. Get ready for 42 days of focus on where true, vivid life can be found: in Christ alone. In addition to the printed book each of us will receive, you may sign up for the daily lesson by email. Text INCHRISTALONE to 42828 to register or visit *fpcbr.org*.

SIAC Seminary Grants. The Session Income Allocation Committee is accepting applications from February 15 to March 15 for financial grants for individuals interested in pursuing full time Christian ministry. Please contact Jaci if you have questions (*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.

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Dr. R. Brooks Van Horn, Jr. by his mother and family.*

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 133

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ORDER of WORSHIP

February 7, AD 2021 9 am



Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

*Welcome and Call to Worship

Like Isaiah, hear O Church, the voice of the LORD echo in the Temple saying "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" **Here we are! Send us!**

Hear the voice of Jesus echo across the waters of the Galilean sea saying, "Do not be afraid. Be fishers of men." **Make us fishers of men.**

Hear your Messiah, the Great Physician, offer cleansing to the unclean. See him stretch out his hand and offer healing to those who are paralyzed with the things of this world. We are cleansed. We rise. We follow.

*Songs of Praise

"Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King" "Goodness of God"

*Blessing God

***Song of Praise** "What a Beautiful Name"

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

From Common Worship

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, We have sinned against you and against our neighbor In what we have thought, In what we have said and done, Through ignorance, through weakness, Through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, And marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, And repent of all our sins, For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, Who died for us, Forgive all that is past; And lead us out from darkness To walk as children of light, amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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

Luke 5: 27-32

After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And he said to him, "Follow me." And leaving everything, he rose and followed him.

And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119: 103, 105).

Message Gerrit Dawson "When Jesus Doesn't Want You"



Lord's Supper

We Are Welcomed to the Table

We Give Thanks for Jesus' Mighty Acts

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We Hear the Words Jesus Said At Supper

We Commune With Jesus

** This morning we will come forward to receive communion. Ushers will direct worshipers from the back pews: outer sections first, center section next and the balcony last. You may partake of the bread and wine after returning to your seat.

***Songs of Response** "Nothing But the Blood" "Cornerstone"