



# COME AND SEE!

ASKING JESUS IN  
JOHN'S GOSPEL

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 26, 2023  
9 am





## GATHERING TO PRAISE

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*Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis*

### **\*Welcome and Call to Worship**

*From John 11*

At the tomb of your friend, you wept, Lord Jesus.  
**For Lazarus, for all of us.**

Then you said, “Roll away the stone.”  
**And you cried, “Lazarus come forth!”**

And he did! So you have called us into light and new life today.  
**You said, “Unbind him and let him go.”**

So we have come, to set each other free.  
**To worship the Lord of life with unbridled hearts.**

### **\*Songs of Praise**

“Your Love Awakens Me”  
“Great Are You, Lord”

### **\*Blessing God**

### **\*Song of Praise**

“Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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### \*Greeting and Announcements

*Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.*

### Minute for Mission

Brian Miller, Global Transformation Ministries of Medellin, Colombia

### Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

*John 11: 28-44*

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**And that by believing you may have life in his name.**

## **Sermon**

Gerrit Dawson

“Lord, Come and See”



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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### **Time of Reflection**

### **\*Offertory and Song of Response**

“Praise the Savior”

*Please place your offering and prayer requests in the baskets.*

### **Scriptural Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

*Based on Advent Lyrics, 9th c.*

**Gracious Lord Jesus, creator of the world, builder of the House of God, help the heart-sore. Have mercy on your servants. Think on our sorrows: how we stumble on, weak at heart, wandering hopelessly. The house of our lives is in ruins. Yet you are the great Craftsman. You restore what is broken. You straighten out the twists of our transgressions. You rebuild what seemed beyond repair. Blessed and glorious are you, who mounted the cross we built in order to rebuild your world.**

### **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**



## INTERCESSION

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### **Pastoral Prayer and 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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**



## BENEDICTION

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### **\*Song of Response**

“The Blessing”

### **\*Response**

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

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*Prayer Time. Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room. During the Lenten season, Scott Graham will welcome you and pray with you.*

*Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Munson by Sarah Ann and Kip Creed.*

*Scripture for Next Week: John 12: 20-32*

*Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@fpcbr.org](mailto:prayer@fpcbr.org), through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

**Colombia Mission Presentation Today.** Brain Miller will be speaking today during Sunday school in the Journeys classroom (SB 219). Come and hear what God is doing in Colombia.

**Palm Sunday Festival and Crawfish Boil Next Sunday!** Join us for our Palm Sunday festival on April 2! The congregation will process around North Boulevard promptly at 10 am immediately following a combined worship celebration in the Sanctuary. There will be a crawfish boil lunch after worship with fun activities for the children. Casual dress is encouraged. Overflow parking will be available in the Old Governor's Mansion lot on North Blvd. Register by scanning the QR code or visit [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org). Price increases tomorrow, Monday, March 27.



Crawfish Code

**A Theology of the Body: March 31 at Christ Covenant.** Rev. Sam Allberry is the best selling author of *Is God Anti-Gay?* Sam is a same-sex attracted, celibate, Christian pastor. His seminar takes a deep look at what it means that we are embodied creatures and how God's design for sexuality works out in daily life. Offered by our sister church, Christ Covenant on Lee Drive, the seminar is Friday evening March 31 at 7 pm and Saturday, April 1 at 9.30 am.

**Maundy Thursday Service of Shadows.** On Holy Thursday, April 6 at 7 pm, we will move through the passion story with a feast of visual, musical and spoken offerings. We'll be stopping along the way to the cross to ponder six magnificent paintings, vividly displayed on our high definition screens. We'll have communion, extinguish candles and conclude quietly at the garden tomb.

**Easter Sunday Worship.** We gather around the empty tomb in the Terraced Garden April 9 for a brief sunrise service at 6.30 am followed by breakfast. We will also have two festive worship services in the Sanctuary at 9 am and 11 am. If rain, the sunrise service will meet in Dunham Chapel. Sunday school classes will meet as usual. Don't forget to bring fresh flowers to decorate our Easter cross which will be on North Blvd.



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