



# GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

### Prelude

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" arranged by James Curnow Blake Hanna, trumpet Steve Gustafson, piano

## \*Welcome and Call to Worship

From John 5

The religious leaders challenged Jesus, accusing him of disobeying God. But Jesus answered them.

"The Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees his Father doing.

"For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing."

Like Father, like Son, Jesus lives out the personality, the qualities, the character of our heavenly Father.

So when we see him, we see God, and cannot help but worship.

## \*Hymn of Praise

No. 92 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

**BEECHER** 

\*Blessing God

\*Scriptural Call to Confession

## \*Prayer of Confession

O God, you revealed your ways to Moses. You inspired the psalmist to sing of your nature and ways. Then, Lord Jesus, you embodied that nature and literally showed us your Father. You came blessing, forgiving, healing, redeeming and satisfying. It is inconceivable that we could even for a moment forget who you are or what you are like. But that is what we have done. We have tried to live outside the benefits of your steadfast love. Forgive us. Thank you for not dealing with us according to our sins. We, your children, praise you, our Father, for your compassion. We receive renewal. We bless your name! Amen.

\*Silent Confession

## \*Assurance of Pardon

\*Response GREATOREX

What love could remember no wrongs we have done, Omniscient, all-knowing he counts not their sum, Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn, Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

### \*Greeting and Announcements

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.

## Offertory

"Psalm 103" in the tradition of Anglican chant

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And all that is within me bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.
He forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities,
He redeems your life from the grave,
And crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness.
He has not dealt with us according to our sins
Nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
So is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
So far has he removed our sins from us.
As a father cares for his children,
So does the lord care for those who fear him.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

### \*Response Doxology

REGENT SQUARE

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One. One in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

## \*Prayer of Dedication



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### \*Hymn of Preparation

No. 212 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" (vs 1, 2, 3 & 5)

**BUNESSAN** 

### Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 103:1-14

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The LORD is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide,

nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children,

so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

For he knows our frame;

he remembers that we are dust.

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever. That we may do all the words of this law.

#### Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

"The Son Does What He Sees"



# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### Time of Reflection

# \*Hymn of Response

No. 61 "Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty" (vs. 1 & 3)

HYFRYDOL

## 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

### \*Response

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

### **Postlude**

"Lead On, O King Eternal" arranged by Timothy Johnson

Prayer Time: Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building). One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our father Mack Gregorie Sr. by Ann K. Gregorie and Nancy Sue Gregorie Burton.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 27: 1–3, 11–14 Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed. All songs used by permission: CCLI license #207235.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

**Men's Skeet Shoot and Cooking Competition This Saturday.** Join us Saturday, March 2 for a skeet shoot and cooking competition at Dr. Chat Kleinpeter's working farm in Saint Francisville. Shooters and non-shooters are welcome. Register online at *fpcbr.org* or scan the code.



**Loving Our rEcess Families This Friday, March 1.** Once a month volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate (*jess.concienne@gmail.com* or 225.892.3212).

Romania Mission Trip Meeting Next Sunday. Kevin Hoy with Smiles Foundation will be here Sunday, March 3 to discuss the October and December mission trips to Romania. Join him at 10.10 am in the Parlor to learn more. Kevin is also speaking at a gathering at the Schwabs' home (2446 June St.) Saturday, March 2 at 6.30 pm. Those who want to learn more or who have been on a mission trip to Romania in the past are welcome. Please RSVP to Donna (936.6452) or John (938.1010).

**Lenten Noon Services.** Each Wednesday of Lent we gather for a brief service at noon in Dunham Chapel. Invite a coworker to join you.

**Daily Lent Email and Podcast.** *Lyrics for His Life: Praying the Psalms with Jesus* daily Lent readings are available via email (subscribe at *fpcbr.org*) or podcast (Apple, Spotify, YouTube or *fpcbr.org*). Contact Katie Robinson if you have any questions (*katie@fpcbr.org*).

**Still Time to Join a Community Group!** Community Groups for *Lyrics for His Life: Praying the Psalms with Jesus* are beginning now. Contact Kelly Wood to be a member of a group (*kelly@fpcbr.org*).

**Let's Fiesta! 20s and 30s Women's Social.** Women's Ministry is hosting a social for women in their 20s and 30s on Thursday, March 14 at Claire McVea's house from 6 to 8 pm. Mexican-inspired appetizers provided. Bring a beverage of your choice. Please RSVP to Jaime Carnaggio (jaime@fpcbr.org). Hasta luego!

**Lost and Found Clean Out.** It's time to clean out the Lost and Found cabinet in the Sanctuary building. Any unclaimed items not claimed by the end of February will be "shared" with the Purple Cow or thrown away.

**Need a Pastor After Hours?** Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

**Ways to Give.** We are grateful you choose to be a part of God's economy with us. Gifts to First Presbyterian may be made via US Mail (763 North Blvd., 70802) or electronically (*fpcbr.org* or the church app).

