YRICS FOR HIS LIFE Praying the Psalms with Jesus ORDER OF WORSHIP March 3, AD 2024 9 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Jesus came to heal, forgive, save and restore his people. Yet over and over we resisted our Savior.

He forgave sinners and dined with them. We called him guilty by association.

He came to destroy the works of the evil one. **Yet we said he had a demon!**

Even his own family said he was out of his mind. Jesus was grieved at the hardness of our hearts.

Only a few believed and rejoiced and honored him. **Do we have the courage to be among those few?**

If so, let us lift our voices to worship the King of kings and the Prince of Peace.

*Songs of Praise

"This Is Our God"

"The Lion and the Lamb"

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

"Your Great Name"

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Minute for Mission

Kevin Hoy, CEO & Founder of The Smiles Foundation



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Psalm 27:1-6, 11-14

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD. Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

Wait for the LORD;

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

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 "Because of My Enemies"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

You, Almighty God, would be our light and salvation. You would replace all our fear with confidence and courage, no matter the size or strength of our enemies. And all you ask us to do is wait on you. So, we have no excuse for scurrying in the dark, shivering in dismay, doubting you. Forgive us. Change our fear to faith that we might be counted among those who dwell in your house and gaze upon your beauty. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon



LORD'S SUPPER

We Are Welcomed to the Table

We Give Thanks for Jesus' Mighty Acts

We Hear the Words Jesus Said at Supper

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We Commune with Jesus

Please bring your prayer requests and offerings forward during communion.

*Songs of Response

"Bless God"

"What the Lord Has Done in Me"



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Linda & Wayne Barker's parents, Helen & Wayne Harvey Barker, and Christine & Sam Orwin, as well as Wayne's sister, Kitty Barker.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 69:6-13

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Romania Mission Trip Meeting Today. Continue the conversation with Kevin Hoy of The Smiles Foundation at 10.10 am in the Parlor. Come hear about the October and December mission trips to Romania.

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!

Lenten Noon Services. Each Wednesday of Lent we gather for a brief service at noon in Dunham Chapel. Invite a coworker to join you. We will not meet Wednesday, March 27.

Palm Sunday Festival and Fish Fry, March 24! Join us for our Palm Sunday festival! We will process around North Boulevard at 10 am before our combined worship service in the Sanctuary. All are invited to a fish fry lunch after worship with fun activities for the children. Casual dress is encouraged. Register by scanning the QR code or visit



fpcbr.org. Cost is \$5 for children 12 years old and younger and \$15 for adults.

Holy Week Events. Make your holy week plans and join us for three special services: Palm Sunday, March 24 at 10 am with a fish fry after worship (further details above), Maundy Thursday Service of Shadows on March 28 at 7 pm and Easter Sunday, March 31 at 6.30 am, 9 am or 11 am worship.

Volunteer for VBS! Jerusalem Marketplace VBS is back again and we need your help. VBS dates are June 10–13. Visit *fpcbr.org* for volunteer and camper details.

Masquerade Ball Friday, March 15! Lagniappe Historic Dance and Pastime Society reenacts the social pastimes of the 18th and 19th centuries, including dance. All members of FPC are invited to join the Society for a Masquerade Ball in the Reception Room on Friday, March 15 at 6 pm. Contact Roxanne Struppeck for details or for free historic dance lessons prior to the ball (202.6044 or roxannestruppeck@gmail.com).

