

**Morning Worship—March 19, 2017**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. \*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

**PRELUDE** "Piece Symphonique" Cesar Franck

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: The heavens are telling of the glory of God;

**People: and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.**

Leader: Your law, O God, is perfect, reviving our souls,

**People: and your commandments are sure, rejoicing our hearts.**

Leader: Let our words and worship, the meditation of our hearts, be acceptable to you,

**People: O God, our rock and our redeemer!**

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 513** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

*Creator God, forgive our moments of ingratitude, the spiritual blindness that prevents us from appreciating the wonder that is this world, the endless cycle of nature, of life and death and rebirth. Forgive us for taking without giving, reaping without sowing. Open our eyes to see, our lips to praise, our hands to share. May our feet touch lightly on the path we tread, and our footsteps be worthy of following.*

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

Leader: While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

**People: God proves His love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

Leader: If while we were enemies,

**People: we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son,**

Leader: much more surely, having been reconciled,

**People: will we be saved by His life.**

**Gloria Patri (579)** GREATOREX, 1851

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music: "I Will Arise and Go To Jesus" arr. Mark Hayes

Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

Prayer of Dedication

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES** Nicole Bracey

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.*

**ANTHEM** "Here I Am, Lord" arr. Craig Courtney

**UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Almighty God, you have made our hearts restless until they rest in You, our souls thirsty unless they drink of You, our minds darkened until they see Your light: illumine us now by Your Word; cause us to drink deeply of Your Spirit, that we may find in You our Life, our joy, our peace.*

**LESSON** (page 739/777) Luke 14:15-24

**SERMON** "Filling the Seats" Rev. Allen Thompson

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14) The Apostles' Creed  
*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen*

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 510** "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

**BENEDICTION**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Lutkin

**POSTLUDE** "Harvest — Home" Richard Lloyd

<b>Praise God for Last Sunday:</b>	Sunday School Attendance	43
	Worship Attendance	86
	Tithes & Offerings	\$2,479
	Saturday Lunch Ministry	Not Recorded

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

**PASTORAL CONCERNS**— Lisa Argyrakis, Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Chuck Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Claire Campbell, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox's sister-in-law), Ruby Crowell, Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Sarah Fisher (Sally Clark's Mother), Betty Fitzgerald, Guy Fowlkes, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson's sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, Alma Moran, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Nancy Wilson

**ON THE MEND**--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Martha Bell, James Cannon, Kelvin Gunn, Flo Hall, Libby Hodge, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Lee Norman, Mary Ann Shelton, Russell Vandiver, Jean White

The **Scholarship Committee** is taking applications for this year's scholarships. If you or someone you know will be applying, begin now gathering supporting documents:



- Academic transcript for the 2016-2017 year or high school transcript
  - Statement of Faith
- Two Letters of Recommendation

**Deadline: April 30. Please contact the church office for an application: [office@fpcdanville.com](mailto:office@fpcdanville.com)**

**Serving Today**

Nursery/Sunday School	Diane Shelton & Kim Clifton
Children's Sunday School	Karan Johnson & Gwen Baucom
	Laura Jones & Erin Parris
Elders at Front Door	C. B. Strange
Friendship Period	David Parris, Bob Newnam
Deacon to Receive Offering	David Parris
Officers to Count Offering	Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Trevor Brown
Time for Young Disciples	Nicole Bracey
Sound System	Ray Beale
Ushers	Team 3
Flower Ministry	Women's Evening Circle
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Mar. 25	Mike Reynolds, Gary Wimer

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary in praise and to the glory of God and in loving memory of Charly Smith by Fae and their family.

**new MEMBERS CLASS**

A class for people seeking to become **members of First Presbyterian** will be held during the Sunday School hour on April 2 & 9, beginning at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Have information you would like to share with the First Presbyterian Church family? Send it to [newsletter@fpcdanville.com](mailto:newsletter@fpcdanville.com).



**Holy Week services** will be held daily at noon in the Chapel. Check our website for more information at [www.fpcdanville.com/holyweek](http://www.fpcdanville.com/holyweek)

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*To know Christ and make Him known*

**THIS WEEK AT  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

**MONDAY, March 20**

- 9 a.m. Day School
- 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group
- 10 a.m. Staff Meeting

**TUESDAY, March 21**

- 9 a.m. Day School
- 5:15 p.m. Handbells

**WEDNESDAY, March 22**

- 9 a.m. Day School
- 12:15 p.m. Chapel.
- 6:00 p.m.. Youth

**THURSDAY, March 23**

- 9 a.m. Day School
- 12 p.m. Staff Lunch  
(office closed 12-2 p.m.)
- 5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**FRIDAY, March 24**

All Day Church Office Closed

**SATURDAY, March 25**

- 10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
- 11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry

**SUNDAY, March 26**

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:  
Mid & High School, Rm 112  
Outlook Class, Rm 322  
Seekers, Rm 109
- 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary  
Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS