

Offertory	<i>“Live is a Journey”</i>	Joseph Martin
*Doxology		
Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer		(debt/debtor)
Scripture:	Exodus 13:17-22, James 1:2-4 and Luke 7:11-14	
Sermon	“The Way of Delayed Blessings”	
*Hymn	<i>“Bread for the Journey”</i>	<i>Insert—Verse 2</i>
Communion of God’s People		See Insert
Postlude	<i>“An Old Hymn”</i>	Whila Hutson
Benediction		

Worship Participants

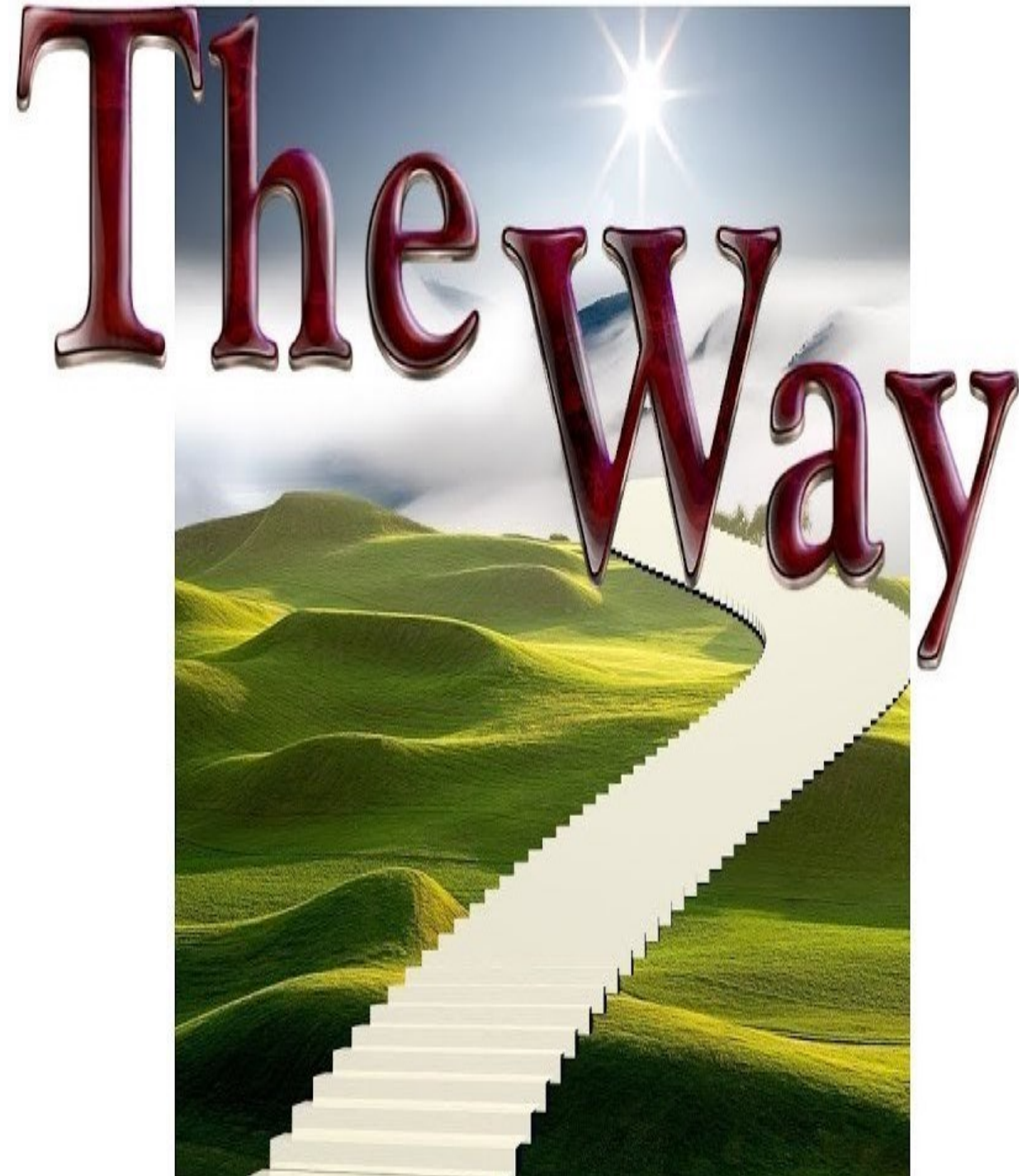
Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Broschart	Minister of Word and Sacrament
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Interim Music Director
Patricia Howell	Interim Organist
Ray Beale	Sound
Jackie Rochford	Liturgist
Joyce Perez	Time for Young Disciples
Kim Meadows	Security, side door & offering
Barry Cutright	Greeter
Leigh Blount & Kathy Dolianitis	Sunday School
Bernadine Hayes & Barry Cutright	Communion

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church.

Our office hours are Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

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First Presbyterian Church

March 13, 2022

As the chimes ring in the worship hour, we invite you to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.

***Please stand as you are able.**

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation: You call us, Wanderer of seashores and sidewalks, inviting us to sail out of our smug harbors into the uncharted waters of faith to wander off from our predictable paths to follow You into the unpredictable footsteps of the kingdom; to leave the comfort of our homes and accompany You into the uncomfortable neighborhoods we usually avoid. In our simple, sometimes crazy, constantly uncertain lives, speak to us, Spirit of Grace: of that hope which is our anchor; of that peace which is our path; of that grace which is our refuge.

Prelude *"We Shall Walk Through the Valley"* Franklin Ritter

Call to Worship **Journeying to Jerusalem by Gay Williams**

Lent calls us to journey, this and every day, following Jesus wherever he leads us.

Lent calls us to journey: to the place where God covenants with us, to receive the new names we are given.

Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future generations the good news.

Lent calls us to practice justice, to bring God's hope to all people.

Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life.

Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to trust the One who bears it with us.

Lent calls us to journey with God.

Let us worship God, who walks with us, this and every day.

***Hymn** *"God of Grace and God of Glory"* **GTG#307**

Call to Confession

Given a test on our faith, would we have a passing grade? Looking at our lives of discipleship, would we be considered good models for others? When we fail to trust God, we discover that we do indeed lead barren lives. Let us be honest as we stand before our God, and bring our confessions for forgiveness and hope.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy Triune God, in this holy place, we know how weak is our discipleship. We can spend hours at the computer, but only give you fleeting moments of our time. We can talk endlessly on our cell phones, but fall silent when it comes to sharing our fears, our worries, our hopes with you. We seek quick fixes for our problems, rather than seeking your vision and future for our lives.

God of Grace and Glory, forgive us:
for our lack of trust;
for our faithless living;
for our closing our ears to the call of Jesus.

Forgive us, so we may lay aside all the keeps us from you, so we may take up the life you offer to us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

This is the good news: God does not go back on the promises made so long ago. God does not reject us, God redeems us. God does not withhold love, God pours it into our barren lives.

Forgiven of our sins, filled with hope, living in relationship with God and one another - we are a new people. Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ—**

Please stand, pass the peace with cupped hands and remain standing for the hymn.

***Praise and Worship** *"Gloria Patri"*

"A Time for Young Disciples Joyce Perez

Offering Prayer

May these gifts represent our willingness to deny ourselves, so others might be blessed by your grace, your peace, as well as your hope, in every moment of their lives. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

...We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy , holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And so, in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE:

Today we are resuming a modified intinction distribution. You should come down the center aisle (maintaining space between participants), receive and partake of the elements, and return to your seat by the side aisles. You may dispose of your cup in the baskets located near the side aisle.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION:

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Announcements

Our Lenten meal will be Wednesday March 16th at 6:00 p.m., please use the bulletin insert to sign up or call the church office. Team 3 will be in charge. This week our meal will be Santa Fe soup, salad, tortillas and a tasty dessert.

Mission Committee will meet Sunday March 20th at 9:00 a.m.

CE Committee will meet Monday March 21st at 4:30 p.m.

Membership Committee will meet briefly Wednesday March 30th at 5:30 p.m.

It's that time of year for our FPC Scholarships. If you are graduating high school or reapplying to college, please stop by the office and get your scholarship application. We will be accepting applications through April 30th.