

First Presbyterian Church

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March 19, 2017 11:00AM

Rev. Ryan Kersting-Schlimgen, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able,
Spoken/sung together LB: Light Blue Hymnal
DB: Dark Blue Hymnal

We gather

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Nancy Johnston Organist/Choir Director

*CALL TO WORSHIP *FOTW- Ezekiel 37:3; Psalm 130:7*

LEADER: O Mortal, can these bones live?

PEOPLE: **Only the Lord God knows.**

LEADER: O people, hope in the Lord.

PEOPLE: **With the Lord there is steadfast love and great
power to redeem.**

*HYMN #469 DB *"Morning Has Broken"*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy God, our ruler and deliverer: you have loved us and put faith in us, and we have disappointed you. We have forgotten your good works on our behalf and failed to trust your promises. We have sought to find comfort in the world around us; but our world shows little evidence of the justice and righteousness you love; we fall victim to addiction, self-centeredness, complacency, and animosity. We have failed to serve you as you have called, and we have failed to honor you with our lives.

Be gracious, O Lord, and shower mercy on us. Lead us and sustain us by your presence, so we may know you and find favor in your sight.

Moment for Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:1,2

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God

LEADER: Sisters and Brothers, Believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ...

ALL: WE ARE FORGIVEN!

LEADER: Let us praise God...

*GLORIA PATRI

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 with out end. Amen. Amen.

We listen for God's word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW READING Exodus 17:1-7

LEADER: The Word of the Lord...

ALL: ...Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

SERMON "When Bad Times Look Good"

*HYMN #446 DB *"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"*

We respond to the Word
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who is in Heaven, hallowed is your name. Your Kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not in to temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING
*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above the Heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

LEADER: Blessed are you, God of all creation;
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

PEOPLE: **Blessed be God forever.**

We follow the Word out into the world

*HYMN #356 DB "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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BEATITUDES BIBLE STUDY: Our Beatitudes Bible study will continue this Wednesday, April 5, 2017; at 12:30 and 6pm.

ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBEQUE: Save the date: our Chicken Barbeque Dinner will be Saturday, June 10th this year. Please note this is the second Saturday in June, not our customary first Saturday.

PNC: The session is actively seeking those interested in being involved with the Pastoral Nominating Committee in our search for a new Minister. If interested, please contact a current member of session or Pastor Ryan.