

THE LORD'S DAY MORNING

APRIL 14, 2019

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

Eternal and most gracious God, we are rebels at heart and do not deserve Your mercy; and yet, being invited by You into Your presence, we are freed through Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer and Mediator, to approach boldly. May Your Word come to us in power, and let it be received in love, with attentive and obedient minds. Make it the savor of life to us. And take great delight in us as we joyfully sing Your praises. In Jesus name, Amen.

God Calls His People into Worship

Psalm 124 (p. 485)

*God's People Respond in Praise

Hymn 235

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*Prayer of Adoration

God's People Confess Their Faith: WSC 26

Hymnal pg. 871

God Calls Us to Repentance

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? (Ezekiel 18:30-31)

God's People Confess Their Sin

Father, God in heaven, You have told us that "blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Your own love for us demonstrates sacrifice of self for the sake of others, and yet we long to please ourselves at the cost of others. We treat human beings as objects to be used, rather than people to be loved. We look for fulfillment in sexuality, instead of in our God, the giver of all good and delightful things. We immerse our thoughts, our eyes, and our bodies in the lies of the world. We repent for using one of Your gifts and making it the center of our existence. Give us fresh eyes that long to bring healing to the sexually skewed and broken of this world. Eyes that look to Jesus as the image of the invisible God. We confess we cannot make ourselves new, we cannot give ourselves new hearts or new spirits, but You are gracious and merciful; You

can sprinkle clean water upon us and You can give us hearts and spirits that long to praise and please You. Flood our desires with the joy of Your Son Jesus, so that the things of this world grow strangely dim. In Jesus' Name.

Silent Confession

God Assures Us of Forgiveness in Christ

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules...and you shall be My people, and I will be your God. And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. (Ezekiel 36:25-29)

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

Insert

"Isaiah 43"

God's People Worship through Giving

Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD. (2 Chronicles 29:9)

Offertory

God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares Upon Him

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of Him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? (2 Corinthians 2:14-16)

*Hymn of Preparation

Insert

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Scripture Reading

Colossians 1:12-14 (p. 924)

God Feeds His People through His Word

Rev. Ryan Biese

"Liberated Christianity"

*Hymn of Response

Hymn 455

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

*Benediction

*Please stand if you are able

Ministry Opportunities for Everyone

- Children / Youth Ministry
- Greeters
- Intercessory Prayer
- Local Outreach
- Men's Ministry
- Mercy Ministry
- Missions Work
- Nursery
- Scouting Programs
- Visitation
- Women in the Church

I am interested in...

- Becoming a Christian
- Joining this Church
- Family Activities
- Joining a Bible Study
- Other Interests:

Comments or Questions

Request Sermons on CD

Name: _____

Date(s): _____

Special Needs

- I want to speak with the Pastor.
- I want to know more about this Church.

Prayer Requests

Thank You For Visiting!

April 14, 2019

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
It is important for us to get to know you.
Please fill out this form (both sides) and
drop it in the offering plate. Also be
sure to mark any items about which you
would like more information.

Dr./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Best time to call: _____

Email address: _____

Status (circle)

Single Married Student

Children's Names and Ages: _____

Are you...

- New to the community
- Looking for a new church home
- First Time Visitor
- Second-Time or More Visitor
- Out-of-town Visitor
- Member of another church

Church Name _____

City/State _____

How did you learn about our church?

- Friend Newspaper
- Website Church Sign
- Mail Yellow Pages
- Other _____

Today

- 10:45 PM Morning Worship
- 4:45 PM Choir Rehearsal
- 5:45 PM Prayer Meeting (Church Parlor)
- 6:15 PM Evening Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, April 15

- 7:15 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, April 17

NO Wednesday Activities

Thursday, April 18

- 6:30 PM Service of Lessons & Songs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are due each week by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. to tamibrumley@bellsouth.net

***Diaconate Meeting today** after worship in the pastor's study.

*Service of Lessons & Songs **Thursday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m.** There will be no Wednesday night activities this week.

***Easter Breakfast: April 21 at 9:00 a.m.**; sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

*Sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for any **youth interested in a Lookouts game Thursday, April 25.** The cost will be \$5.

***Trails & Truth Hike:** Saturday May 11, meet at church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. ALL ages are encouraged to attend.

*Please Mark your Calendars and recruit your team for **Trivia Night: May 17 at 6:00 p.m.** Proceeds will benefit the youth scholarship fund.

Nursery Schedule

<u>Today:</u> Sherma Halpin & Susanna Wilson	<u>April 21, 2019</u> Mary Lou Wilson & Emma Wood
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SUNDAY SERVICE INFORMATION

9:30 AM – Coffee and Fellowship

9:45 AM – Gathering Prayer & Praise

9:55 AM – Sunday School

10:45AM – Morning Worship

5:45 – Prayer Meeting

6:15 PM – Evening Worship

Pastor: Ryan Biese, email: rfbiese@gmail.com

Elders: David Bosshardt, Herman McConathy, and Wil Davis

Deacons: Wade Brumley, Bob Keller, Mike Wilson, and Lance Wood

First Presbyterian Church Fort Oglethorpe

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side –
let Israel now say –
if it had not been the LORD who was on our side
when people rose up against us,
then they would have swallowed us up alive...
Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:1–3, 8)