

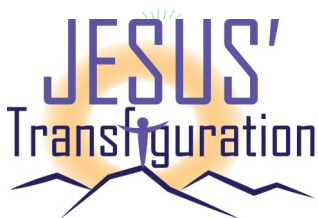
First Presbyterian Church OF PARKERSBURG

GATHERING, GROWING, CARING, GOING



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March 2, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.
Transfiguration of the Lord



WE ARE A NURTURING, VIBRANT CONGREGATION,
REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY
AND STANDING AS A BEACON OF CHRIST'S LOVE AND PROMISE.

Sharing the Life of the Church

WELCOME TO WORSHIP, AS WE CELEBRATE THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD. MAY GOD'S GRACE NURTURE AND STRENGTHEN YOU TODAY.

Thank You, and welcome to Mary Quick, ALP, who is filling our pulpit today. It is always a treat to have her lead us in worship - please make her feel at home.

Coffee - Coffee is available in the Harris Room between worship services. If you would like to host a Coffee Hour, sign up outside the Harris Room, or call Joyce Boso at 304-488-1205 for more details.

Book Study - Pastor Annie's book study of Eric Elnes's *Gifts of the Dark Wood* will resume on **Wednesday, March 12**, in the Harris Room at **11:30 a.m.** and at **7 p.m.** following The Gathering. There will be no study on March 5, Ash Wednesday.

ASH WEDNESDAY - On Ash Wednesday, **March 5**, Pastor Annie will offer two opportunities to receive ashes early in the day. She will be at the front entrance where you may drive up under the portico from **7 - 8 a.m.**, or **12 - 1 p.m.** Then, join us for worship at **7 p.m.** in the Sanctuary, to receive ashes and share Communion. We will also begin our Lenten Worship Series, *Gifts of the Dark Wood*.

Prayer Partners Game Day - Next **Sunday, March 9**, following 10:30 Worship, the kids and their prayer partners will gather in the Harris Room for Game Day. Kids and adult prayer partners are asked to bring a favorite board or indoor game for a time of fun and fellowship. Lunch will be provided, so come and join in the activities!

Annual Meeting - The church's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **Sunday, March 16**, in the Sanctuary immediately following 10:30 Worship.

Annual Reports Due - If you were required to submit a year-end committee report for the annual meeting packet, and have not yet done so, please send it to the office no later than tomorrow. If you have questions, contact the church office at 304-422-5426, or office@fpcpburgwv.org.

Community Meal - Our church is hosting the quarterly Community Meal on **Sunday, March 23, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.** We are in need of volunteers to help with setup, serving and cleanup. If you would like to assist, please sign up in the foyer.

Choose-a-Hymn Sunday is March 30, when the congregation chooses the hymns that we sing during worship. Pick up a form from the foyer and fill it out if you would like to nominate your favorite. Then return the form to the offering plate or to the office mailbox no later than **Sunday, March 16**.

Spring Fling Luncheon - The Deacons will host their annual "Spring Fling" Luncheon on **Sunday, April 6**, following 10:30 worship. They will serve delicious baked steak and all are welcome. If you plan to be here, please sign up in the foyer to help them estimate how much food to prepare.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

March 2, 2025

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Preparation for Worship

Welcome

Sharing the Life of the Church

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus *with* As the Deer

arr. Anna L. Page

*Call to Worship

from Psalm 99

The Lord is king: let the people tremble!

The Lord is enthroned upon his angel throne; let the earth shake!

The King is mighty, he loves justice—he has established equity;

Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship on God's holy hill;

For the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Let us worship God!

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

Holy God, present in our midst yet beyond all comprehension,

by your light, we are light;

by your healing, we are made whole;

by your mercy, we know your greatness.

Turn your gaze upon our weakness and show us the way of your love

that we may live with unveiled faces.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN

Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

You know how stubborn we can be, Holy God.

You call us to serve others,

and we stay in the warmth of our own homes.

*Those who are able, please stand.

*You would send us to where the hopeless live,
 but we are reluctant to leave the comfort of our complacency.
 You would feed us on the peace and joy of your word,
 but we pull our chairs up to the tables
 of those who serve false promises.
 Forgive us, Merciful God.
 Transform our defiance into discipleship,
 and our rejection of others into the resurrection
 of welcoming all people as sisters and brothers in Christ.
 Help us to love as faithfully as you have always loved us,
 and send us forth to take the good news of Jesus Christ
 to everyone we meet.*

SILENCE for personal confession ...

Words of Assurance and Pardon

We open our lips and confess our hearts.

God hears our words and makes us new,

sending us out to bring hope and joy to all the world.

*We hear the good news, we believe the good news,
 we will live out the good news. Thanks be to God. Amen!*

*Response

Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

***Ritual of Friendship**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Exchange words of peace and greetings with those around you.

GROWING

Prayer for Illumination

By your Spirit, O God,

enlighten our hearts, open our minds,

fill our vision with your radiance,

and give us life;

as we hear your Word today. *Amen.*

Scripture

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

p. 818

Scripture

Luke 9:28-36 (37-43)
 The gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

p. 733

Sermon

Mary Quick, ALP

Affirmation of Faith*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.*

CARING**The Offering**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

G. Kendrick/arr. M. Hayes

*The Doxology

Hymn 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication**Prayers of the People****The Sacrament of Holy Communion**The InvitationThe Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

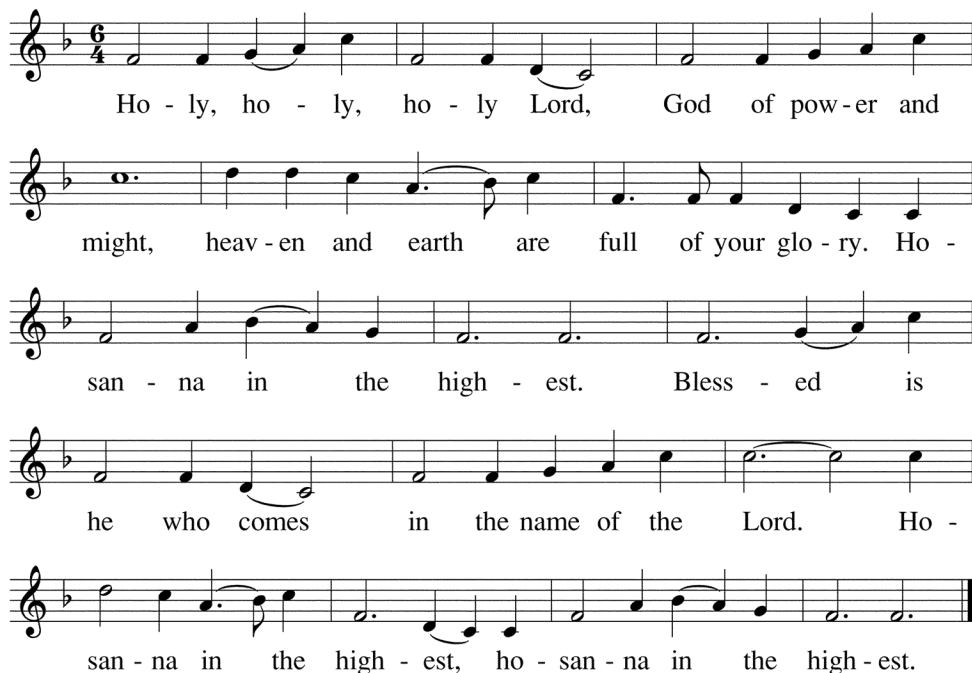
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

...joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We are grateful for Jesus the Christ...

...All glory and honor are yours, Holy One,
 through Christ, in the Spirit, now and always. *Amen.*

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.*

Breaking of the Bread and the Communion of the People

*Please come forward to receive the elements for Communion. Gluten-free is available.
 Those who are more comfortable staying seated may remain in the pews
 and a server will bring the elements to you.*

Prayer after Communion

GOING

*Hymn 192	Shine, Jesus, Shine	SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
*Benediction and Sending Forth		
The Postlude	Glory to God	Gerald Peterson

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Liturgist - *Barb Lucas*
 Sound Technician - *Matt Buchanan*
 Organist - *Scott Rockhold*

*Scripture readings for next week, March 9,
 the First Sunday in Lent.*

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
 Romans 10:8b-13
 Luke 4:1-13

Prayer List – Please remember the following in your prayers:

Kenny Sumner	Marcia Oaklander	Mike Lewis
Richard Hayhurst	Autumn Vancamp	Bobby Craig
Doug Anderson	Alan & Jodi Earnest	Carl Gheen
Dan Sombeck	Mary Essenmacher	Ken Stoller
Harriet Litteral	Ruth Ann Huddle	Ed Ball
Tyler Mackey	Pat & Ann Patterson	Kitty Brown
Derrick Sheppard	Homebound Members	Brad Carter
Fleming Family	Troops – World Peace	Dan Ellis

*Those who are able, please stand.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today, Sunday, March 2 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

Mary Quick, pulpit supply

Communion

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class - Room 201
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee - Harris Room
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary



Monday, March 3

- 6:00 p.m. Deacons meet - Room 204
- 6:00 p.m. KOM Knitters - Harris Room

Tuesday, March 4

- 6:00 p.m. Worship / Discipleship Committees - Harris Room

Wednesday, March 5 **Ash Wednesday**

- 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. - Drive-up Ashes
- 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Drive-up Ashes
- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts - Room 124
- 7:00 p.m. Worship with Communion & Ashes - Sanctuary



Thursday, March 6

- 3:30 p.m. Personnel meeting - Pastor's office
- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - Room 123
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Ensemble - Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Juliana Ringers - Bell Room
- 7:15 p.m. Troop 3 Boy Scouts - Scout House

Saturday, March 1

- 11:30 a.m. HA Meeting - Room 204
- 5:00 p.m. Private meeting and dinner - Sanctuary/Stevenson Hall

Daylight-Saving Time Begins

Sunday, March 9 **1st Sunday in Lent**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class - Room 201
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee - Harris Room
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Prayer Partners Game Day - Harris Room

