



First Presbyterian Church

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Service for the Lord's Day

February 19, 2012

11:00 a.m.

Transfiguration of the Lord

Whether you are visiting just for today or seeking a church home, we are glad you are here! We invite all worshipers to record your presence with us by signing the blue folders found in the pews.

A Moment for Silent Prayer

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gathering Around the Word

- PRELUDE "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" Johann G. Werner
arr. Cindy Berry
- ENTRANCE OF GOD'S LIGHT
- GREETING Leader: May the Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
- ANNOUNCEMENTS
- INVOCATION
- CHORAL INTROIT "Great Day!" Spiritual
Introit is our invitation to quiet ourselves in preparation for the worship of God
- +CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: God calls to the heavens and to the earth and invites the faithful to gather.
All: **The heavens declare God's righteousness,
and earth sings God's praise. Let us worship God.**
- +PRAYER OF ADORATION
- +HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" #306

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

(A moment of silent prayer for personal confessions.)

+KYRIE ELEISON **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

+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 without end. Amen, Amen.**

Proclaiming the Word

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON "Peter, James and John" FPC-Children's Choir

CHORAL ANTHEM "Music of Grace" Joseph M. Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE PSALM READING *Psalm 50:1-6*

Leader: The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken
 and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God shines forth in glory.

Leader: Our God will come and will not keep silence; before God there is
 a consuming flame, and round about a raging storm.

**People: God calls the heavens and the earth from above
 to witness the judgment of the chosen people.**

Leader: "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have
 made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice"

**All: Let the heavens declare the rightness of God's cause;
 for it is God who is judge.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Kings 2:1-12
 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
 People: Thanks be to God

CHORALE MEDITATION "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" Adapt. Michael Praetorius

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

+HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

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+COMMISSIONING

Leader: It has been good for us to be together.
Now we scatter to share good news.

**People: God has visited earth in human form.
In Jesus Christ, the beloved of God, humanity is blessed.**

Leader: Light from the gospel has been revealed to us.
We are becoming lights to the world.

**People: It is awesome responsibility to reflect God's glory.
Ours is a wonderful opportunity to show God's love.**

Leader: God will not leave us or forsake us.
God's presence is constant and dependable.

**All: We depart with confidence and joy.
We will carry the knowledge of Christ in our hearts.**

+BENEDICTION

+BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

Ralph Vaughn Williams

***God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.***

***God be with you till we meet again;
Unseen wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again. Amen.***

+POSTLUDE

"At the Name of Jesus"

Ralph Vaughan Williams

+Please stand, if you are able

*Grant, O Lord,
that what has been said with our lips we may believe in our hearts,
and that what we believe in our hearts we may practice in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday, February 26, 2012

FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17
PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10
EPISTLE: 1 Peter 3:18-22
GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

News of the Church

PRAYER CONCERNS

NEW CONCERNS

Jo Rinewalt; Bess Rea, Mary Bergman's sister-in-law

CONTINUING CONCERNS

Stefanie Rountree; Dorothy Zimmerman; Lucy & Tom Gary; Cassie Cummings;
Rebecca Hardee; Erica Burks; Randy Sanders

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Margaret Carpenter; John Bracken; Winnie Bell Moore; Jennie Gilliam

LOVED ONES IN UNIFORM

A1C Addison Pierce; Sgt. Cody Baggett; Blas Devora; Spc. Austin Gardner;
PFC Kollin Mullins; Will Murdoch; Brian Bell; Maj. Tase Bailey;
Cameron Rankin; Capt. Janet Ramsey; LCpl Paul Fowler; Josh Dahlam

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A MEMBER? New members are received in one of three ways: *Profession of Faith; Reaffirmation of Faith; or Letter of Transfer.* If you are interested in making First Presbyterian Church your church home, please see the pastor at the end of the service.

WORSHIP HELPS Large Print Bulletins, "These Days" devotionals and **Worship Kits for Young Christians** are available on the table in the narthex

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION At 11:45 on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, birthdays and anniversaries (for that month) will be celebrated with a luncheon at Johnny's Place. Lunch is "Dutch treat" and all are welcome to attend.

SIGN IN Please be sure to sign the booklets on each pew. We want to know what members were here as well as visitors. If you wish the Pastor to visit, please mark that box.

ARE YOU LIVING PART-TIME IN BOSQUE COUNTY? If so, you can become an affiliate member of this church while retaining full membership in your home church. Please see the pastor if this is of interest to you.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to Donald Symank, today; Jennie Gilliam, Feb. 20; Dewitt Greene, Feb. 21; Addison Pierce, Feb. 23; Dr. Ted Bronstad, Feb. 25; Nelda Ramsey, Feb. 26. Happy Anniversary to Lois & Roger Krause.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by JJ Frambes to the glory of God and in memory of Chuck Frambes.

SECOND SUNDAY BEGINS MARCH 11TH

An exciting new forum for fellowship will be ushered in at First Presbyterian Church with the debut "Second Sundays" on March 11th following worship service. Second Sundays will be an informal lunch and fellowship hour sponsored and prepared by the Congregational Care Committee.

The Second Sunday fellowship hour is for anyone wishing to enjoy good times and good food among good friends. There is no fee, but "free will" donations will be accepted. Plans are for Second Sundays to be held monthly. So make your plans now to attend this first gathering of friends on Sunday, March 11th. Please contact Jean or Rev. Clint at 675-8105 for more details. See you there. And bring a friend!

ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm we followers of Christ will observe the beginning of the Lenten Season. The Lenten Season can be traced back to the ancient church when it was observed as a 40 day period prior to Easter during which the candidates for baptism were given instruction in the faith and then Baptized on Easter morning. Later it became a time of penitence and reflection for those baptized who claim Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Please join us for this service of reflection as we are marked by ashes as a sign of whose we are and spiritually renew ourselves through the celebration of Holy Communion.

"THESE DAYS" DEVOTION BOOKLETS

"These Days" Devotion Booklets for the next quarter are available in the Narthex.

At Your Service at First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Clint Schofield, Pastor
Steve Watson, Pianist
Karen Thomasy, Choir Director
Jean Lewis, Secretary
Marschell Allen, Custodian
Margaret Guzman, Nursery Supervisor

Leading Worship Today

GREETERS:	Alma & Bill Key
LITURGIST:	Lanelle Taylor
ELDER OF THE DAY	Linda Bracken
FLOWERS	JJ Frambes
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:	66

This Week in the Life of First Presbyterian Church

TUESDAY	1:00 pm	Prayer Group
WEDNESDAY	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Communion Service
NEXT SUNDAY	9:30 am	<i>B.I.G.</i> for Children
	11:00 am	Study of Genesis for Youth & Adults
		Worship

