

**First Presbyterian Church
Harbor Springs**

Second Sunday in Lent

March 5, 2023

10:00am Service

“A Fresh Start”

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Gathering in God's Name

Music for Meditation

Cynda Coleman, piano

Greeting

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

(please sign and pass the fellowship pads)

Introit

“Pater Noster”

Arthur Foote

Call to Worship

Leader: As God set Abram, Sarai, and Lot on a journey,
God calls us to follow in trust.

All: **God is able to make us more than we have been
and blesses us on the way.**

Leader: As Jesus invited Nicodemus to be born again,
Christ invites us to become a new creation.

All: **Christ calls us out of darkness into his
marvelous light, and we are saved through him.**

***Opening Hymn #610** Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Children's Message

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness
and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do
not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We
justify our actions and words, though we know they are
not what you require. We struggle to understand the new
life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change.**

Lay Leader: Caleigh Coleman

Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, God is for us and not against us! For that very reason, God sent the Son into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

***Kyrie #635** Kyrie Eleison (*Lord, Have Mercy*)
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison.

***Greeting One Another in Peace**

Leader: As God has forgiven us in Christ, so let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Choir Anthem "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Sharing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

God of signs and wonders, we come to your Word again and again, seeking understanding and the new life it offers. By the power of your Holy Spirit, illumine our hearts and minds so that we may believe this testimony and have eternal life. In the name of Jesus Christ, our teacher and savior, we pray. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading Genesis 12:1-4a

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Interlude

Gospel Reading John 3:1-17

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Fresh Start" Pastor Kip Murphy

Responding to God's Word

***Song of Response #815** You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Prayers of the People

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.**

Call for Offering

Offertory "Nothing but the Blood of Jesus" arr. Marianne Kim

***Doxology #965** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen, amen**

*Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving (#810) (sung responses)

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, O God, for here at your table you have transformed us from individuals into the body of Christ. Make us strong for your service that we may be messengers of your reconciling love for all people. Amen.

Going in God's Name

*Closing Hymn #264 Lift High the Cross

*Charge to the Congregation & Benediction

Leader: As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week, what does God call us to do?

People: **God calls us to be a Christ-centered, missional church that proclaims the Word of God and demonstrates the relevance of his Word to all people.**

Benediction Response sung by the Choir

(Depart with God's Joy)

Postlude "Fantasia on 'Salvation'" David Paxton

Prayer for Healthcare

Dear Lord, As we enter a new week help us to be mindful of the world around us. Guide us to be aware of all our blessings, including access to healthcare. We are fortunate to be in a community that values health and wellness but many of our brothers and sisters throughout the world do not have this opportunity. We take for granted our access to treatment for diseases, care for our newborns and elders, vaccines, repairs for our injuries and availability of the medicines needed when we are sick. Public health measures are present in our everyday lives and for this we are thankful. Remind us to share our knowledge, our resources and our love with all of the world's people that do not have adequate healthcare. We pray in the name of the Great Healer, Jesus our Lord, Amen

2023 Easter Flower Fund

Your generous donations to the Easter Flower Fund help to cover palms, flowers and other items used to decorate the sanctuary. Please fill out the information below and return to the church office. Donations may be made "in memory of" or "in honor of" a loved one or to commemorate anything else you wish. Dedications will be printed in the Easter bulletin. The deadline for donations is **April 2**.

Your Name: _____

I wish to remain anonymous

Amount of donation: _____

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

If funds received exceeds the needs of this project, excess may be used as specified by the Session.

Let our worship continue in service!

This Week at FPCHS

Monday, Mar 6
10:00am FPC Kids Play Group

Tuesday, Mar 7
8:00am Men's Fellowship
8:30am Women's Study Group
1:00pm Staff Meeting
7:00pm AA

Wednesday, Mar 8
3:30pm Kid's Club
7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, Mar 9
8:30am Men's Bible Study
5:30pm Lenten Soup Supper

Friday, Mar 10
12:00pm Alanon

Sunday, Mar 12
10:00am Worship Service
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Coffee & Fellowship

We Are Glad You Are Here!

Come Connect with Us....

- **Sunday School for ages 3-7th Grade**// Sundays at 10am// in the lower level.
- **Nursery is Open:** Christopher Coleman & Savannah Maki, attendants.

Come Serve with Us....

- **Ushers and Greeters** are needed every week. If you are interested to serve as an usher and greeter, please contact Jerry Root at groot@lssu.edu

Come Grow with Us....

- **Lenten Soup Suppers** - Join us at 5:30pm each Thursday in Lent for fellowship and growth.
- **Playgroup** will continue every Monday here at the First Presbyterian Church from 10 am -11:30 am in the FPC Kids Zone.
- **Men's Fellowship & Bible Study** // Zooming for the winter months // Hey, Men: looking for some fellowship & some spiritual food? Join our weekly Bible Study group. To get the ZOOM link please email: David@Crouseentertainment.com.
- **Women's Bible Study Fellowship**// Gathering Place//BSF is a Christian, nondenominational Bible study. The study this year is focused on People of Promise- Divided Kingdom. Contact Sue Stackhouse at 517-937-2287 to find out more.
- **Kids Club** is every Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 in the FPC Kids Zone. Kids Pre-k through 5th are welcomed! Register with Renee at renee@fpchs.org
- **Community Bible Study at Perry Farm** // Wednesdays at 2pm// Currently studying the books of Samuel led by Pastor Kip. All are welcome!
- **Mere Christianity Book Study** //Wednesdays at 5pm//Gathering Place: You are invited to join the small group studying the C.S. Lewis book, Mere Christianity. We are currently reading book III.
- **Men's Bible Study Group** // Thursdays at 8:30am//Gathering Place// Currently studying the book of Hebrews.
- **Caregiver & Grief Support Group** // 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 5:30pm // Nursery at FPCHS // We are a support group for these life changing experiences that include death. If you find yourself in this setting as both a caregiver and trying to find that new normal after death has occurred, you are invited to meet with us for this supportive time.
- **Chancel Choir and Kirk Ringers** // Choir 4:30-6:00pm // Bells 6:15-7:15pm // Join our adult choir and bell ensemble. Both groups rehearse weekly. Chancel Choir sings for the 10am services on most Sundays, and the Kirk Ringers ring about once a month. If you're interested, please contact our Director of Arts and Music Ministry at monica@fpchs.org

Prayer List

Please honor the confidentiality of this list. If you have additional prayer requests, or feel it is time to remove your name or request, please contact the church office.

At Home/Long Term Care:

Shirley Clarke (Dave Clarke)
Michael Baity (Pineview)

Sympathy to the Family and Friends of:

John Sneden (Lee & Kip Murphy)	Michelle Slebiska (Pat Slebiska)
Ken Burnett (Shirley Anderson)	Madonna Sussex (Judy Wilson)
Tom Blanck (John's father)	Marion Lamy (Laurie Ford)
Jerry Kaiser (Sharon Van Buren)	Jim Harp (Melanie Manary)
Bob Brown	Kathy Bultman
Dave Williams	Dave Borchers
Doug Brautigam	

General Support

Dorothy Litzer
Lizann Donley
Nate Rice
Irene Wehner (David & Sharon Knoodle)
Malcolm Snyder (Ima Williams)
Travis & Debra Carpenter (Roy Tipton)
Carolyn & Jim Cloutier
Diane Burns (Kathy McCreight)
Ciara Raymond (Judy Wilson)
Jacob Malley (Kathy McCreight)
Carrigan & Christian Warner (Kathy Bodzick)
Gabby Guthrie (Kathy McCreight)
Kabel Sheehan (Karen Bezilla)
Bette Shelton
Truda Kruger
Amy Richardson (Linda Rosenow)
Jamie & Deb Sears (Lizann Donley)
Jessica, Joseph, Jasper, V'en Venohr (Kathy Bodzick)

Stewardship Update

YTD 2023 Income	= \$43,696
YDB 2023 Expenses	= \$67,934
	(\$24,238)