

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

* GATHERING MUSIC

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory,

Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, the light of your love is shining

In the midst of the darkness shining;

Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,

Set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me. (Refrain)

Lord, I come to your awesome presence

From the shadows into your radiance;

By the blood I may enter your brightness,

Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.

Shine on me, shine on me. (Refrain)

As we gaze on your kingly brightness;

So our faces display your likeness;

Ever changing from glory to glory;

Mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me. (Refrain)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Led by the Holy Spirit, we come to this place.

God has given us this haven where we may bring our hopes, our fears, our doubts, our wonder.

Led by the Holy Spirit, we will gather at the Table.

Jesus has come to be with us in our lives, to feed us with grace and peace.

Led by the Holy Spirit, we will go to serve God's people.

There is no distinction between 'us' and 'them,' between Presbyterians and other believers; we are sisters and brothers in God's family.

WE PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

* **HYMN OF PRAISE #81** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* ST. FLAVIAN

PRAYERS OF THE DAY

Holy God,

Refuge of desert wanderers: as the seeds of grace you have planted

within us bear an abundant harvest,

we would offer the first fruits

in thanksgiving to you

and in service to others.

Jesus Christ, Companion of Lenten pilgrims: you understood that

God alone feeds us,

and so became the broken Bread;

you knew that the power to transform our lives comes from God

alone,

and so became our Servant;

you did not ignore the warning not to test God,

and so became our Hope.

Holy Spirit, Leader of Christ's apprentices:

you fill the hungry

with the Bread of hope;

you fill the arrogant

with the Servant's humility;

you fill the hopeless

with that trust which endures.

Call to Confession

Too many times, what is found on our lips are words of hurt and

anger. Too often, what is found in our hearts is bitterness and fear.

And so we end up testing God with our foolish lives, rather than

trusting God to lead us in the way we long to go. Let us bring our

words of confession, as well as our brokenness, to the One who

hears us and makes us whole. Please join me as we pray together,

saying...

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of our ancestors, we confess that we can become so obsessed with all that is new, we ignore the past which is filled with wisdom.

We prefer to wander down streets to all the places we know so well, yet are reluctant to be led by your Spirit into unfamiliar neighborhoods. We sometimes are in such a hurry to get our heart's desires, we stumble past the grace you are longing to give us.

Hear our hearts and see our brokenness, God of our days, and forgive us. May we grow in our trust of you, rather than continuing to test you. Gather us up and bring us into the presence of Jesus Christ, our Servant, our Savior that we might follow him to Jerusalem, and beyond - into that place of hope and peace you are giving to us.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

This is our good news: hearing our prayers and our silence, God forgives us! God is giving to us a marvelous inheritance - hope and

grace, peace and joy

On our lips are cries of gratitude, in our hearts is the trust in the One who loves us. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

***RESPONSE** *Amazing Grace (Stanza 1)*

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* GOOD SOIL

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your Word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil,

Where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away,

When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart be good soil.

THE WORD SPOKEN

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

A Reading from Deuteronomy 26-1-11 PEW BIBLE, OT, PAGES 180-181

For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,

for the Word of God within us;

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD IN MUSIC

ANTHEM *Lonesome Valley* SPIRITUAL

THE WORD SPOKEN

A Reading from Luke 4:1-13 PEW BIBLE, NT, PAGE 61

For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,

for the Word of God within us;

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED: TEMPTING JESUS

REV. JIM RISSMILLER

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #384** *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* ST. MARGARET

*SAYING WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE BELIEVE

We are a loving faith family, worshipping and serving God; and testifying in word and deed as disciples of Jesus Christ.

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was

conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he

descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he

ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the

Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I

believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the

communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of

the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

- THE APOSTLES’ CREED (ECUMENICAL VERSION)

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

* **RESPONSE:** *We Give Thee but Thine Own* SCHUMANN

We give Thee but Thine own, What-e'er the gift may be:

All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread and blessed it and broke it, and gave it to them.

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

This is the Lord's table.

Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

May the God who shelters us be with you!

And also with you!

People of God's inheritance, lift up your hearts.

Our hearts filled with hope are offered to our God.

Those whom God has brought to this place, offer your gratitude to God.

With glad songs, we celebrate the bounty of this Table God provides for us.

Full of the Holy Spirit, you spoke, God our strength, and ... As we gather in this place given to us, as we draw near to your Table prepared for us, we join our voices with all our ancestors in faith from every time and place:

Holy, holy, holy, God of signs and wonders.

All creation flows with your love and joy.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes to share your inheritance.

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Holy are you, God our Refuge and Hope, ... As we follow him to Jerusalem, as we come to the Table he has prepared, we proclaim that mystery of faith:

Christ died, salvation for all.

Christ is risen, generous to all.

Christ will come again, Lord of all.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon those ... we will join with our sisters and brothers in proclaiming with our lips and our hearts that you are indeed, forever and ever, God in Community, Holy in One, we pray as Jesus taught us, saying,

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION BY THE PEOPLE

As you come forward to receive communion, you may bring your donations to the Greensboro Urban Ministry.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us,

encourage many through us. In the name of Christ our living Lord, Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

* **CLOSING HYMN #85** *What Wondrous Love Is This* WONDROUS LOVE

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *I Bind My Heart This Tide* BU LAUCLAN MCLEAN WATT

* **POSTLUDE**

** You are invited to stand if you are able*

WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church. Whether you are a member or a visitor we are so glad that you are worshipping with us this morning and pray that this time of worship will be both renewing and rewarding for you. If you have an interest in joining Faith Presbyterian, please speak to the pastor or call the church at 336.292.5704. Please visit our website at www.faithpresgso.org or Facebook at www.facebook.com/faithpresgso.

Rev. Jim Rissmiller will be preaching for us this morning.

Our **Worship leader** today is **Rebecca Elliott**.

Elders of the Month for February are Rollie Garcia and Rebecca Elliott.

On the calendar for this week:

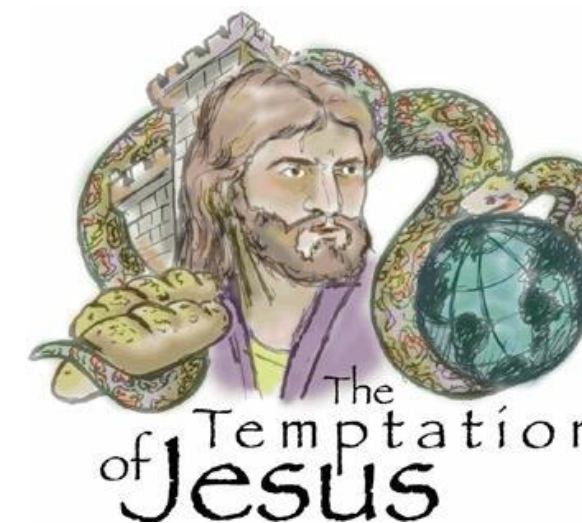
- **Theology on Tap** will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 at **Tim and Laura Maher's home, 4208 Shoal Creek Drive, Greensboro**. The Mahers will be serving soup and salad. If you want to bring something, contact Laura at 509-2613. We will be beginning a new book entitled **Mudhouse Sabbath** by Lauren F. Winner. It is available from Amazon (new and used) and used from Abebooks.com. Please read the introduction and chapter 1.
- **Adult Sunday School**. Join us each Sunday morning at one of our two adult classes. The **Discussion Class** meets at 9:30 in the parlor for engaging conversation and discussion as we consider the text and sermon topic for the morning and look **Before the Sermon**. Also, you may want to attend our newest class, **The Present Word**, which meets in the library. Using our denomination's curriculum, this class considers scripture and its interpretation for today.
- **Health Care's Next Big Deal: NC Accesses & Exchanges – Feb. 19th** – 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Presented by the League of Women Voters at Faith Presbyterian Church – Learn about the **Health Care Act Implementation coming up next year! OBAMA CARE!**

James M. Rissmiller, B.A., B.D., Th.M., Pastoral Visitor

Jeremy Corn, Music Director

Lois Bazhaw, RN, Congregational Nurse

Lynn Wright, Office Administrator



Faith

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

***We are a loving faith family,
worshipping and serving God,
and testifying in word and deed
as disciples of Jesus Christ.***

February 17, 2013
11:00 a.m.

Service for the Lord's Day
First Sunday in Lent

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6309 W. Friendly Ave. ♦ Greensboro, North Carolina 27410 ♦ 336.292.5704

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

Statistics for February 10, 2013: Attendance—47; Offering \$1,673.00

February – Canned Soup

February 17-24, 2013

Today:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	1:30 p.m.	Rock Church
Monday:	6:30 p.m.	Rock Church
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	9:30 a.m.	Parish Nurse
	10:00 a.m.	Chair Exercise
	2:00 p.m.	Learn about Affordable Health Care Act
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
	7:00 p.m.	Theology on Tap
Wednesday:	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Rock Church
Thursday:	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous
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Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	Korean School
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	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Brunch

Prayer Lists

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St. Paul Church, Greenboro
North Wilkesboro Church, N. Wilkesboro

Faith Presbyterian Church Prayer List:

Peggy Pope	Cile Gorman
Gauge Humphrey	Dot Patat
Jo Anne Jennings	Caitlyn Watkins
Bob and Ann Huffine	Larry Murren
Fran Cuthbertson	Virginia Cornet
Erich Bordne	Pat Magnuson
Family of Betsy Waugh	Maxine Heath
Family of Bonnie Evans	Doreen Jones
Ann Collins (former member)	Bonnie Evans
Georgia Renfrow	Isabel Payne
Pamela Klutz (daughter of Bonnie Evans)	
Helen Hall's daughter	Mary Jane & Bob Phillips
Larry Jones	Kelly Bottoms (friend/Lindsey Brown)
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