

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Is it really possible that words spoken in the **name** of Jesus Christ have the **power** of Jesus Christ?

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 #420** God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

* CALL TO WORSHIP

When our pockets are empty, God allows us to purchase what we need, charging it to grace's account.

God thinks differently than we do.

When our souls are parched, God hands us a glass of living water.

God's ways are different from ours.

When we grow weary of searching, God takes our hand and leads us home.

God's love is different from ours.

WE PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

* **HYMN OF PRAISE #223** O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer STUTTGART

PRAYERS OF THE DAY

God of Grace:

we would max out every credit card...

*We would lift our hearts to you,
God in Community, Holy in One,
trusting that you will listen to us.
Amen.*

SILENT CONFESSION

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Gifted beyond measure, we grumble that we don't have enough.

Seeking to get our own way, we do not see the ways God wants to forgive us and restore us to new life. In this season of reflection and repentance, let us turn to the One who waits for us with hope.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We continue to be tempted, Faithful God. We are blessed with gifts to use for others, but we want to keep them for ourselves. We easily notice the mistakes of those around us, but do not want to look in the mirror at our lives. We turn our desires into idols, so we do not have to recognize how they can damage us.

Forgive us, Steadfast God. Fill the poverty of our spirits with the richness of your grace; feed our selfish hunger with the bread of compassion for the world; pour the living waters of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into our hearts until they overflow with love.

Silence is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God is faithful. God's love is an eternal bargain which will not be broken, God's grace is the gift which will not be taken back.

Such abundant mercy, such extravagant grace! Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

***RESPONSE** My Hope is Built on Nothing Less SOLID ROCK

*My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus; name.*

Refrain:

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

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 Isaiah 55:1-9 PEW BIBLE, OT, PAGES 685-686

A Reading from Psalm 63:1-9 PEW BIBLE, OT, PAGE 527

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 Together We Serve Daniel CHARLES DAMON

THE WORD SPOKEN

A Reading from the Luke 13:1-9 PEW BIBLE, NT, PAGE 76

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: MEDITATION ON THE LORD’S SUPPER REV. BILL HAMILTON

***HYMN OF PREPARATION #507** I Come with Joy DOVE OF PEACE

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION

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

We believe that God is our rock and our fortress, a deliverer who delights in coming to the aid of those who seek the Lord. We believe that God is always moving the world toward justice and righteousness and that we are invited to be agents of that movement. We believe that God is faithful and patient. God does

not give up on us or on anything God created. We believe that God is near, always present in our troubles, sadness, loneliness and fear. We place our hope in God because God alone is completely holy, trustworthy and true. Thanks be to God, our Rock and our Redeemer.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** We Give Thee but Thine Own

We give Thee but Thine Own, Whatever the gift may be;

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

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 of everlasting covenants be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your thirsty hearts to God.

We long for the waters of grace to fill us.

Sing praises to the One who feeds us with wonder.

Our mouths praise God with joy on our lips.

Your ways were not the ways of chaos...

So, we join our voices with all those who seek you in every time and place, calling upon you with hope and joy.

Holy, holy, holy, God our God.

Heaven and earth behold your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who provides the way out of sin and death.

Hosanna in the highest!

*Holy are you, O God, our God,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your song of joy...*

*As we draw closer to that week we call Holy,
as we remember the One we call Savior,
we speak of that mystery we call faith:*

**Christ died, witnessing to the world;
Christ rose, destroying the destroyer;
Christ will come, blessing us forever.**

From the generosity of your heart you provide the gifts of the bread and the cup....
God in Community, Holy in One,
even as we pray as Jesus has taught us,

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.

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*** CLOSING HYMN #396** A Closer Walk with God

CAITHNESS

*** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE** I Bind My Heart This Tide

** 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.

Please welcome **our new Interim Pastor, Rev. William Hamilton.**

Elders of the Month for March are Betty Rissmiller and Betsy Rule.

Our **Worship Leader** today is Betty Rissmiller.

On the calendar for this week:

- Theology on Tap** will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 at **Jay and Rebecca Elliott's home, 5111 Tower Road.** The Elliotts will be serving soup and salad. If you want to bring something, contact Rebecca at 912-660-9220. We will continue our new book study of **Mudhouse Sabbath** by Lauren F. Winner. *Please read Chapter 3.*
- 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 book **Give Up**

Something BAD for Lent, which we will be studying through Easter. 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.

- You are all invited to John Johnson's** installation this afternoon at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Graham at 4:00 p.m. Jim Rissmiller and Rebecca Elliott are on the Installation Commission.

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

Statistics for February 24, 2013: Attendance—49

March – Dried Beans

March 3-10, 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
	6:30 p.m.	Health Ministry Meeting
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	9:30 a.m.	Parish Nurse
	10:00 a.m.	Chair Exercise
Wednesday:	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Rock Church
	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	Korean School
Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

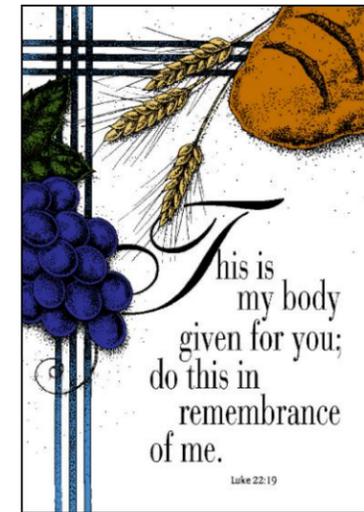
Prayer Lists

Tabor Church, Harmony, First Presbyterian Church, Burlington

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	Jane Hogan	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)		Larry Jones
Helen Hall's daughter		Mary Jane & Bob Phillips
Kelly Bottoms (friend/Lindsey Brown)		Priscilla Christiansen
Family of Joe Brooks		Rebecca Elliott's grandmother
Melissa Burris' Father		Helen Berkemeyer (Lois' mother)

William T. Hamilton, B.A., Ph.D., M.Div., Interim Pastor
James M. Rissmiller, B.A., B.D., Th.M., Pastoral Visitor
Jeremy Corn, Music Director
Lois Bazhaw, RN, Congregational Nurse
Lynn Wright, Office Administrator



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

**March 3, 2013
11:00 a.m.**

**Service for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday in Lent**

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