

GATHERING

PRELUDE “*Conditor Alme Siderum*” Quentin Thomas

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT “Kind Maker of the World”
Fleurs des Noëls
Chancel Choir

+CALL TO WORSHIP

We are children of light,
rejoicing in everything good and right and true.
We worship the Lord who heals, liberates,
and raises us from the dead.
**In the dream of the beloved community of God,
we are awake,
and we stand in the light of Christ.**

+HYMN #401 “*Here in This Place*” GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

How do we know when our actions are right?
When the fruits of our labors are good and true.
Christ is the light that exposes all we keep hidden,
but offers us healing and renewal instead of judgement.
Therefore, let us hold up our sins to Christ’s gaze.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of compassion and mercy,
we sometimes fail to see
what you are doing in the world.
We want you to act in ways we predict,
but we forget:
you do what is good, not what is expected.
Forgive us when we do not recognize your miracles.
Forgive us when we doubt
the wisdom of your actions.
Most of all, forgive us
when we do not respond to your call,
ignoring what we need to do
to show the world your love and grace.**

(Silent Confession)

KYRIE #551

*Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus restores our souls
and leads us in right paths for his name’s sake.
**Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow us all the days of our lives,
and we will dwell in the house of the Lord
our whole lives long.**

+RESPONSE #581 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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 5: 8-14
Pew Bible pg. 194

ANTHEM “*Hear My Prayer*” Moses Hogan
Chancel Choir

GOSPEL READING John 9: 1-41
Pew Bible pg. 102

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks Be to God.

SERMON “Looking to Blame, and Missing the Light”
Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **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
arose 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.***

+HYMN #314 “*Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*”
CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY

There are multiple ways to contribute to the ministries of First
Presbyterian Eufaula: An offering plate is located in the rear of the
sanctuary or you may mail your contribution to First Presbyterian Eufaula
at 201 N. Randolph Ave, Eufaula, AL 36027, drop it by the church office,
or give online at www.firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give.

+DOXOLOGY

*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.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

+CLOSING HYMN #744 “*Arise, Your Light Is Come*”
FESTAL SONG

+BENEDICTION

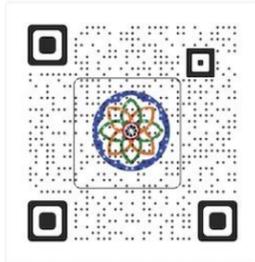
+POSTLUDE “*Take Up Your Cross*” arr. Freeman Lewis

+ Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: We welcome back to our pulpit today, Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong.

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning. Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the Triune God. In worship we acknowledge God, who is present in the world and in our lives. As we respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, we are transformed and renewed. In worship, we offer ourselves to God and we are equipped for God's service in the world.



WELCOME VISITORS: We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us this morning. We invite you to come back and worship with us as often as possible. If you would like more information about our church, please see the minister or one of our Elders. So that we have a record of your attendance today, please open your camera app on your mobile phone, place the QR code in the frame, tap on the weblink when it appears on the screen. This will take you to a visitor's information card to complete from your device. Thank you and again, welcome.

First Presbyterian Church of Eufaula is a church in transition. Our beloved pastor of the last seven years has answered God's call to lead a new church. Our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is working diligently with God's leading to find the right person to shepherd our church into the future. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in joining our congregation, please speak to one of the ushers or a session member. Thank you for your support, patience and especially your prayers.

WOW dinner at 5:15pm with Bible Study following.

Giving Fence needs items. If you have anything that you don't need or want and think it is in good shape, please donate it for our Giving Fence. Also needed are personal and household items.

Can Cross needs food items. Please give what you are able to help those who need food in our community. Please place your items in the Can Cross outside the pastor's office.

Wednesday Prayer Service at the front of the sanctuary at 12:00 noon.

Large print editions of the **Glory to God Hymnal** are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.

Offering: You may now give online if you prefer using your debit/credit card. Go to <https://firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give> on your phone and the website will direct you.

Cares & Concerns: Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstattd, Eden Coates, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, Darryl Kornegay, Melissa Scholl, Della Huffman, Linda Creel, Lincoln, Christine Fisher, Teresa Orr, Margaret Beasley, Don Wood, Andrew Peak, Carolyn Cousar, Joel Miller, Reb Bludsworth, Carla Collins, Laura Taylor. Please pray for our church and the Pastor Nominating Committee, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00. At this time, please stop what you are doing and pray.

Worshippers at Home: Pegge Abraham, Betty Cain, Margaret Beasley

Military Members: Nicole Barrett

College Students: Jake Cournoyer, David Dixon, James Dixon, Haley Helbing, Benjamin Powers, Jake Taylor, Tabetha Taylor, Hailey Beard, Logan Adams, John Stephen Powers, Gray Mitchell

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 15th

9:30 AM – Choir Rehearsal
10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM –Worship with Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong

Wednesday, March 18th

12:00 PM – noon prayer
5:15 PM –WOW dinner with Bible Study following

Thursday, March 19th

5:30 PM – PNC meeting

Sunday, March 22nd

9:30 AM - Choir Rehearsal, 10:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM – Worship

SESSION

Class of 2026

Callie Strickland
Doug Winkleblack
Teresa Barrett

Class of 2027

Arnie Cutchen
Ginny Hornsby
Emily Parrish

Class of 2028

Diana Brooks
Wayne Fiquett
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4th Sunday in Lent
March 15, 2026