February 23, 2020 9:00 a.m.

As followers of Jesus
we will love the Lord our God
with all our hearts,
with all our souls
and with all our minds.
And we will love our neighbors
as ourselves and serve them
in the name of Christ.
Matthew 22:37, 39

Love God Follow Jesus Serve in Spirit

If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and encourage you to sign the visitor card in the pew. Visitors are urged to leave their address, to receive a letter of welcome from the pastor and be placed on the newsletter email list, if desired.

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Order of Service GATHERING

PRELUDE Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee – arr. Joyce Jones

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP I Love You, Lord — Laurie Klein
I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You,
O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what You hear.
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.
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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN

- Ernest Sands/Christopher Walker

Sing of the Lord's Goodness
Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us, his love is forever, faithful to the end of days.

Chorus: Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
Melodies of praise and thanks to God.
Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music, worship him and bless his name.

Power he has wielded, honor is his garment, risen from the snares of death.

His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken, New life he now gives to all. (Chorus)

Anthem Text:

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers; The moon and the stars suspended in space. What is man, that You are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor. and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: The beasts of the field, The birds of the air, The fish of the sea. But what is man, that You are mindful of him? O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord. our God, little children praise You perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia. The majesty and glory of Your name. Alleluia.

Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,
Spirit of our God most high;
Solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,
splendor of the living God. (Chorus)

Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet,
Praise God with the lute and harp;
Praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing,
Praise God till the end of days. (Chorus)
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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance, we hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace. While we want a world of justice and peace, we walk in the clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness. Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain, we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

#579

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.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

SCRIPTURE 2 Peter 1:16-21 Page 987

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM The Majesty and Glory of Your Name — Tom Fettke

SCRIPTURE Matthew 17:1-9 Page 798

SERMON Chris McKee, Minister of Faith Formation

The Transfiguration

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

#73

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

*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 rose 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY The Accuser – Jeff Kennedy FPC Youth/Young Adults

*DOXOLOGY Freely, Freely – Carol Owens

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name. I've been born again in Jesus' name,

And in Jesus' name I come to you to share His love as He told me to. He said, "Freely, freely you have received; freely, freely give.

Go in my name, and because you believe,

others will know that I live."
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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! #138

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #447. Vs. 3

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning where'er Thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

POSTLUDE Allegro – George Frideric Handel

Coffee time will follow the service.

The hosts today are Jennifer Martin & Karelle Reidhoefer.

Baked goods are provided by Alice Schlak & Mildred Kimbrough.

Liturgist: Michael Gerlach

<u>Greeters</u>: Ellen Hickey & Lubna

Dent

<u>Ushers</u>: Thank you to Renita Jurgensen's team. Next week: Bill Anderson's team.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by the FPC Youth/Young Adults. Next Sunday's special music will include One Voice and Dei Gloriam Handbell Choir. The complete music schedule is available at fpcmesa.org/worship-planning.

Praise Band: Erin Skarphol, vocals; Karen Rudin, rhythm guitar/vocals; Mark Ramsey, piano/vocals; Paul Soderquist, drums

Sound Booth: Bob Schulz

Activity bags for children are available at the back of the sanctuary. These are for use during worship.

<u>Visitors</u> are encouraged to visit the Information Kiosk by the main doors of the sanctuary to learn more about the church's programs.

Audio assistance is available for those who may be unable to adequately hear the service. Please see an usher for assistance.

Check the bulletin boards in the church office for information regarding events or opportunities in the life of the church and the community.

<u>Prayer Chain</u>: If you or a family member need special prayers, email <u>prayer@fpcmesa.org</u> or call the church office. If the prayer request is for a friend, you must first have *permission from that friend* to make the request public on the Prayer Chain.

<u>Bulletin Recycling</u>. If you do not want to take your bulletin home, please take it to the recycling basket at the back of the sanctuary.

If you are hospitalized or confined at home due to illness, call the church office at 480-964-8606 to let us know. Please note: If you are in the hospital, let us know what your room number is. In order to comply with new stricter government regulations to protect patients' privacy, hospitals refuse to provide any information, including room numbers.

Sanctuary Flowers are a way for you to recall a special person or event in your life. Flowers are available at a cost of \$50 or you may notify the church office of your desire to furnish your own flowers. You may take the flowers that Sunday or leave them for the Deacons to deliver. If you are interested in providing flowers, fill out the form found at the Kiosk or in the office. After completion, please return it to the office, along with a check and instructions.

Activities for the Week of February 23, 2020

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Today, 2/23	9:00a.m. 10:15a.m. 11:00a.m. 4:00p.m. 5:00p.m. 6:00p.m.	Monthly Food Drive Worship, Sanctuary Christian Education HolyGrounds Service, Fellowship Hall Confirmation Class, Youth Room Chili Cook-Off, Fellowship Hall Annual Meeting, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, 2/25	5:30p.m.	Theater Rehearsal, Choir Room
Wednesday, 2/26	7:30a.m. 8:30a.m. 5:00p.m. 6:00p.m. 6:00p.m. 7:00p.m. 7:30p.m.	Ash Wednesday Men's Fellowship, Fellowship Hall Dave's Crew WRAP Adult Bible Study First Ringers, Bell Room Ash Wednesday Service, Chapel Choir, Choir Room
Thursday, 2/27	6:00p.m. 6:00p.m. 6:30p.m.	One Voice Dave Ramsey Course, Library Dei Gloriam, Bell Room
Saturday, 2/29	9:30p.m.	Theater Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events

March 2	Deacons meet	
March 9&10	Circles meet	
March 15	Women's Sunday	
March 22	Commissions & Session meet	
March 27, 28, 29	Dinner Theater — Singing in the Rain	
April 5	Palm Sunday — Worship in the Courtyard	
	(one service at 10:00 a.m.)	
April 9	Maundy Thursday	
April 10	Good Friday — Office closed	
April 12	Easter Sunday (9:00 and 11:00 services)	
April 19	Youth Sunday (one service at 10:00 a.m.)	

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