THE SESSION

Class of 2019Class of 2020Class of 2021Betsey AdamsMary Kate BeardSandra JimersonDonna HopkinsLonnie FellerSarah MartinLee MatthewsPerry Leaming

Lee Matthews, Clerk of Session

TRUSTEES

Gary Gore Franklin Bevel Ray Metzler

Karen Selvage, Secretary Sherry Feller, Treasurer

HOW WE ARE DOING

General Contributions (3/10/2019): \$\(\frac{2,410.00}{}\)

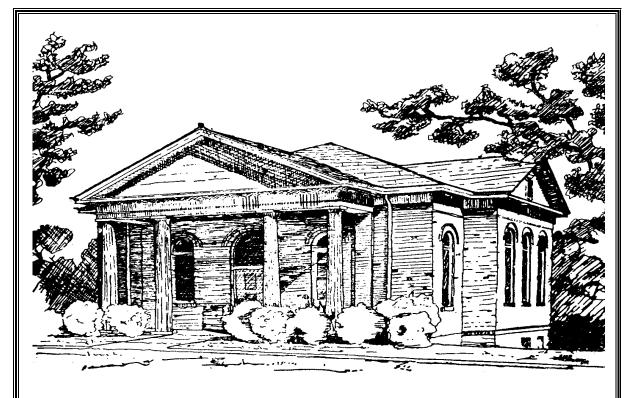
 Month to Date Giving:
 \$6,180.00
 Monthly Budget:
 \$11,792.00

 Year to Date Giving:
 \$27,911.00
 Yearly Budget:
 \$141,500.00

Church Attendance: 27
Sunday School: 7

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Trey Adams, W.S. Adams, Louise Chandler, Sam Chandler Jr., Billy Griffith, Ginger Matthews, Judy Metzler, Cassie Rollings.



"Our Mission is to Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ, and Meet Human Need"



First Presbyterian Church

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MARCH 17, 2019

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

10:30 A.M.

* AT THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR, PLEASE REMAIN SILENT AND TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES

GATHERING

PRELUDE "Meditation in Music" Chandler, Jr., Organist

SPECIAL MUSIC "Abba Father" Choir

Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You are only as far away as the sound of our whispers will travel, Lord, yet we so often

struggle to speak with you intimately and meaningfully.

People: Hear our purposeful prayers.

Leader: Forgive us when we are shallow, seeking a quick blessing or a fast favor from you without

being willing to invest fully in a trusting, committed relationship with you.

People: Hear our purposeful prayers.

Leader: Forgive us when we approach you begging for guidance and direction, but then neglect to

follow your instructions.

People: Hear our purposeful prayers.

Leader: May we have another chance, once again, to shed our self-interest and find joy in serving

your interests and appreciate the fullness of your love?

People: Lord, hear our purposeful prayers.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*OPENING HYMN "Holy, Holy," No.262

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, we confess that in many ways our lives have been less than Christian, and we often fall short in our prayer life. We often pray without fully proper motives of heart or with language worthy of its object. Lord, forgive us. Teach us how to pray, so we might declare your glory as we gather. Amen.

(Let all continue in silent prayer, followed by singing)

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him Return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." (Isaiah 55:7)

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI No. 623

"The Family of God"

No. 282

THE WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC "Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You"

Choir

Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Matthew 6:5-13

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SERMON "TEACH US HOW TO PRAY"

Chase Epps

RESPONSE

HYMN "In the Garden" No. 425

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"from a Declaration of Faith"

We believe that God moves in history with his people. Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record. The Bible is the account of God's word and action in history together with his people's response in faith. It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel and the church toward the kingdom of God, his just and loving rule over all. It is the story of the one God, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. That story is still unfolding and in faith we make it our own. It forms our memory and our hope. It tells us who we are and what we are to do. To retell it is to declare what we believe.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist Bonita Hubble, Pianist

*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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

*CLOSING HYMN

"Just A Closer Walk with Thee"

No. 380

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you.

Wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there.

Christ who dwells within you has something He wants to do through you where you are.

Believe this and go in His love to "glorify God, make disciples of Jesus Christ, and meet human need".

*POSTLUDE

"Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah"

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist Bonita Hubble, Pianist

^{*}Those who are able may stand