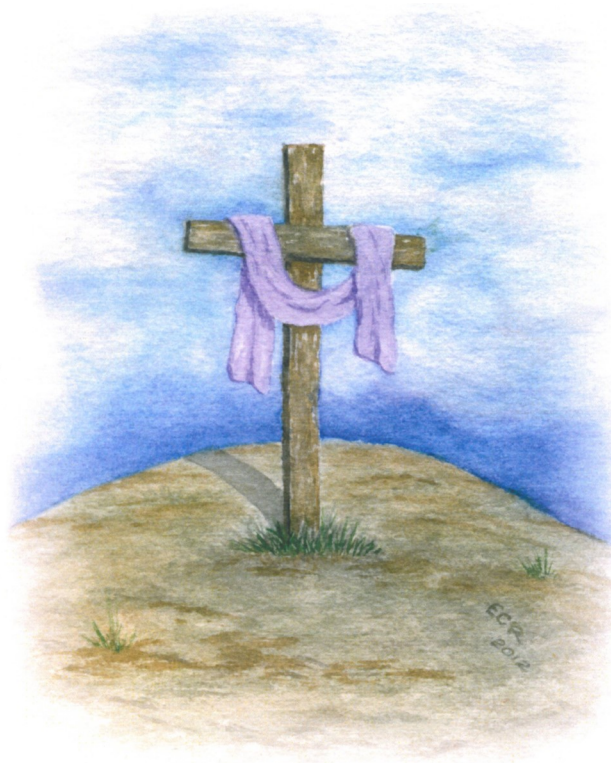




First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort

A Service for the Worship of God
The Third Sunday in Lent
March 7, 2021
11:00 AM



*To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.*

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Gathering Song..... Psalm 51

*Have mercy God in your great grace
Wash me from every staining trace
Of sin and evil I have done
I pray to you the Holy One*

*Create O God within my heart
A path to make a fresh new start
And shape a spirit within me
That steadfast, sure and right will be*

Welcome & Call to Worship.....Rev. Becky Albright

Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory*

God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Let your commandments rule and guide us. Forgive us for worshiping anyone or anything except you and keep us faithful. Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships—with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy. Turn us away from violence, falsehood, and selfishness. Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out of slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith. Help us depend on you alone and to rest in your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Sermon Dr. Patrick Perryman
(children ages 3 to 6 are dismissed to the playground)

Special Music *Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle*
Vic Varner, Music Director FORTUNATUS NEW
Lily Cooper, *Organist*
Meredith Halopoff & Noah Krepps, *Cantors*

Epistle Lesson..... 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Sermon **The Word of the Cross**
Dr. Patrick Perryman

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

Giving and Receiving

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing

o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred
ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the cross for -
love up - on my way, from the cross the ra - diance
cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that knows no
o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred

sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.
stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one flat) and 3/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains five verses of the hymn. The second system contains two verses. The third system contains two verses. The music is written on a grand staff with a treble clef and a bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Our Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own.

When we were slaves in Egypt you freed us and led us through the wilderness, and satisfied our thirst from desert springs. On the holy mountain you gave us your law to guide us in your way. Through the waters of Jordan you led us into the land of your promise, and you sustained us in times of trial. You spoke through the prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness. You sent your only Son to be the way to eternal life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end.

**Baptized as your own, he went willingly to his death
and by your power was raised to new life. In his dying
and rising, you gave birth to your church, delivered
us from slavery to sin and death, and made with
us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.**

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death,

Rising you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Help us, O God, to be obedient to your call to love all your children, to do justice and show mercy, and to live in peace with your whole creation. Guide us through the desert of life, quench our thirst with the living waters, satisfy our hunger with the bread of heaven. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.

Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours,
almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the
holy church. We pray you receive the
prayer Jesus taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

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 of the People

Post Communion Prayer

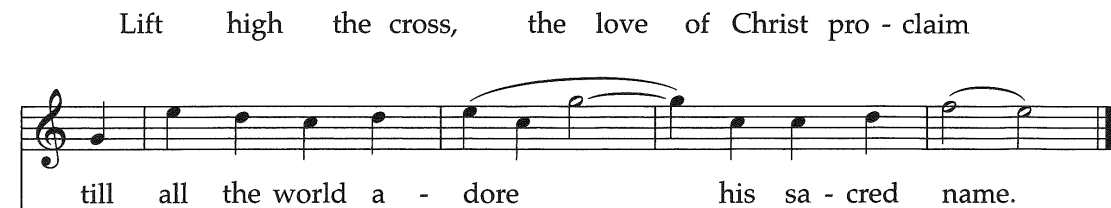
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Refrain


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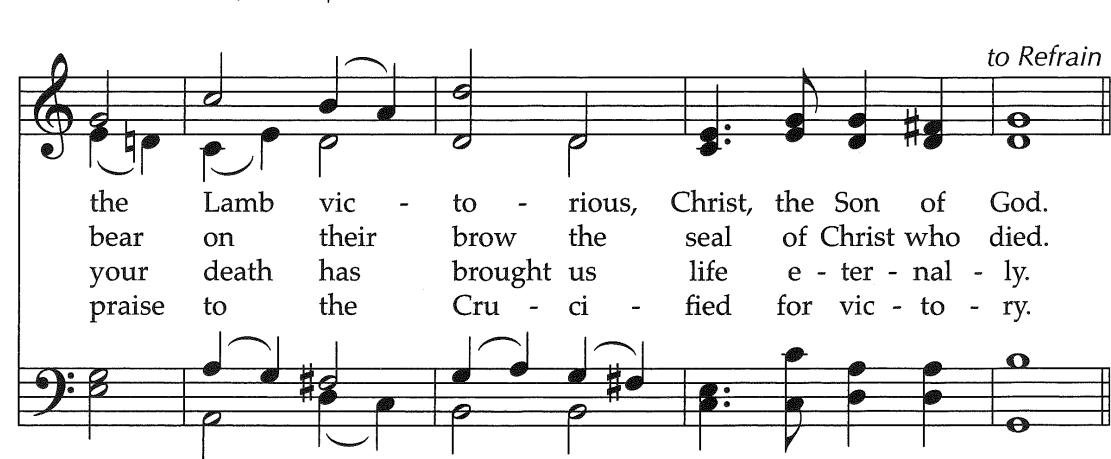
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till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name. *Fine*



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



the Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.
 your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

to Refrain

Benediction

Postlude

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at www.firstpresbeaufort.org for sermons, news, and current events.

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN to the glory of God by Mary Ragsdale

2021 FLOWER CHART: The flower chart is available in front on the table. If you would like to provide flowers for the Sunday morning worship service, please write your name and phone number next to the appropriate date. You may provide your own flowers, or order them from your florist of preference.

WASHINGTON STREET PARK SUPPERS: For the past seven years members of First Presbyterian have joined with other churches in the downtown community to provide supper in the Washington Street Park. Even during the recent shut-downs of the Park, we were able to provide boxed meals. Our night is the fourth Friday in the month, from 6 until approximately 7 pm. It's not a difficult task – we provide a meal that is prepared in advance and serve to all those who come to the park, a number that varies but rarely over 25. In the past, Sunday School classes and sometimes families have taken an evening. If this sounds like something you'd like to volunteer for, contact Lolita Watson of the Outreach Committee, bftbay@gmail.com We particularly need volunteer hosts for March, April and May.

ATTENTION PARENTS GOOD NEWS

Today after the Children's Sermon we will have child care for children ages 3 to 6 years old. Please to walk your children to the playground where they will be cared for until the end of the worship service.

The nursery is available for the entirety of the service. The nursery for children birth to 2 years old. Children should be taken into the door on Church Street and picked up through that door. Parents should wear masks upon entering and leaving.

Our childcare staff is following CDC protocols and guidelines and will be masked while caring for your children. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the church office at 843-524-3051 or info@firstpresbeaufort.org

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TUE. MAR. 9 5:30 PM New Officer Training via Zoom

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

Awakening the Spirit in us to become more compassionate.

Don't let your struggle become your identity." - Unknown

OUTREACH BACKPACK PROJECT

Your Outreach Committee has embraced a new opportunity to support our local community! The United Way has 100 empty backpacks earmarked for our temporarily homeless or housing-insecure neighbors. Our committee's goal is to fill these backpacks with essential items as suggested by The United Way.

Will you help? Because we NEED you to join this effort, we have developed a short "ask" list of items. We would **gratefully appreciate** any number of the following:

- Sunscreen – Full size (about 6 oz.), any kind
- Toothpaste – Full size, any kind
- Toilet Paper – Any kind
- Peanut Butter – Creamy only
- Crackers – Saltines or Ritz

These items can be brought to church on Sunday morning, or left in the little red wagon on the Fellowship Hall porch any Monday-Thursday, during the next three weeks.

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry said in a recent communication, "...there is a growing need for food and housing relief. Yes – a **growing** need.....Many of our neighbors continue to be un- or under-employed." This backpack mission will help relieve some immediate concerns as The United Way, along with other local organizations, strive to assist those in need. With your help we can fulfill a United Way project that will make an immediate difference for so many during this difficult time.

Thank you for your continuous generosity!

