



# First Presbyterian Church | Kerrville

February 19, 2023  
Transfiguration of the Lord

Building a Community of Disciples

*Growing toward*

God-centered worship

Christ-centered service

Spirit-led lives

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! Please fill out the black Friendship Pad located on the pew so that we might welcome you to our FPC community.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

Christ Is the World's Light

Robert Hobby

## †CALL TO WORSHIP

"Jesus set his face toward Jerusalem."

(Luke 9:51)

**Our Lord is on a journey,  
and the way leads through opposition and misunderstanding.**

Jesus invites us to follow him.

**This journey leads through the shadows of betrayal,  
the night of Gethsemane, the afternoon darkness of Golgotha.**

"Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers,  
let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it,

and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'"

(Matt. 16:24-25)

**Our Lord is on a journey. May we have the grace to follow this Christ,  
and to give to him our very lives. For in giving away our lives, we find  
them, and in dying we live.**

## †HYMN 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, we struggle to show forth the fruits of the Spirit,  
but often find ourselves bound by works of the flesh.**

**We know the whole law is summed up in a single commandment  
to love you totally and to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Yet we create fences around ourselves to keep neighbors outside  
and tell ourselves we have no responsibility.**

**Even in our own back yard we "bite and devour" one another.**

**We have failed to love as you would have us love.**

**Jesus called us to follow him, even all the way to the Cross,**

**Yet we find every excuse to instead go home or to the workplace to  
finish something more important first. Forgive us please, and help put  
us back on the journey in the right direction. Through Christ Jesus our  
Lord we pray. Amen.**

*(Silent confession...)*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Despite our disinterest and even resistance,

**Jesus journeyed to Jerusalem to give his life to forgive sinners like us,  
for our failings and shortcomings, and to redeem us.**

Even now he calls us back to God's reign and realm,  
and encourages us with a love we can never lose...

**No matter how hard we push back,  
no matter how often we forget, no matter how far we stray.**

Now, our apology has unleashed his Forgiveness.

**We are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

## †RESPONSE

Hymn 581

**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.**

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

ANTHEM (11:00)

Be Thou My Vision

Dan Forrest

*Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart, Naught be all else to me,  
save that Thou art, Be thou my Wisdom and Thou my True Word,  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 9:51

pg. 843 N.T.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Next Year in Jerusalem

Jack Haberer

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in an innovative God, who does not wait for us to find ourselves but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.**

**We believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.**

**We believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.**

**We believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.**

**Because Christ has called us, in this we truly believe. Amen.**

†HYMN 193

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Shrove Tuesday

Emily McAllister

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

The Holy City

Weatherly & Adams

†RESPONSE

Hymn 606

***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.***

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

†HYMN 192

Shine, Jesus, Shine

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lumen ad Revelationem

Marcel Dupre'

*From service of worship to service in God's world.*



## Thank You for Serving Today

### WORSHIP LEADERS

Jack Haberer, Tim Summerlin, Susan Montoya, Audrey Mitchell, Emily McAllister, Heather Cunningham, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler, Bill Swart, Wes Lane

### USHERS

8:30-Pam and Bill Cooper, Susan Junkin

11:00-Linda and Steve Phillips, Sue Bratcher, Mike Brunsvold, Mike and Nancy Wilson

### MUSICIANS

11:00-Chancel Choir

## Families in Worship

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Special Children's Worship Bags are available in the narthex. Parents are encouraged to use the things found in the Worship Bags to help their children prepare for and participate in worship.

Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with Children, a member of our child care staff will meet the children in the narthex and take them to the appropriate room.

Childcare is available for infants through children who are in kindergarten in Room 504, in the Family Life Center. An usher can direct you to these rooms.

### Easy ways to give to the ministries of FPC

- Join the members who are using online giving to First Presbyterian. Sign up today at [www.fpckerrville.org](http://www.fpckerrville.org) and click on the giving tab.
- You can also "text to give" right from your phone. Simply text to **45777** and type in **KERRFPC**. Follow the prompts. It is secure and convenient.

Contact Mary Stone at the church office with any questions.

## First Presbyterian Church Staff and Worship Leaders

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### **Pastors:**

Rev. Dr. Jack Haberer, Interim Pastor

Rev. Susan Montoya, Parish Associate

Eldon Sheffer, Commissioned Ruling Elder

### **Support Staff:**

Mary Stone, Business Administrator

Alicia Martin, Asst. Administrator

Alfred Valero, Facilities Manager

Wes Lane, Media Specialist

### **Ministry Staff:**

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

Seth Lafler, Choir Director

Shannon Tuschak, Care Coordinator

Audrey Mitchell, Dir. of Children's Ministry

Emily McAllister, Dir. of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Alysse O'Brien, Children's Music Director

Scott Russell, Children's Corner Director

Ann Reynolds, YES Center Director

Ministers — All Our Congregation



## Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

†Please rise as able in body and spirit.

**Bold** type indicates unison response.

To view past worship services please visit  
(<http://fpckerville.org/worship/video-archive>).



Please take time to silence your cell phones so we may all be fully present in this time and space.



## Let Us Pray

...for our troops, especially for those serving in war-torn countries, and for refugees all over the world.

...for the Syria and Turkey earthquake disaster victims and for emergency responders.



## Worship Notes

The *Prayer of Confession* was inspired by Galatians 5:13-25, and Luke 9:51-62. The *Affirmation of Faith* was written by Bruce Prewer. The *Pastoral Prayer* is adapted from *World in Prayer*, Lodi, CA.

## Welcome, Visitors!

For more information about our church and its missions, visit our website at [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org). If you would like to be contacted by phone or email, please submit a contact request form on our website, or call the church office. You may also fill out the Connect Card located in the pew pocket, or the Friendship Pad (located at the end of each pew). Please place the Connect Card in the offering tray or give it to an usher.

**Prayer or Praise Request?** Prayer request cards can be found in the pews, or you may complete your request on our website at [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org) and it will head right to our prayer team, which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

**To join the membership of FPC:** Contact the church office or visit us online and send us an email inquiry. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to be part of this church family!

## Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org) and click on "Calendar".

### Sunday, February 19

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed
- 12:00 Youth Dodgeball Tournament—Family Life Center Gym

### Monday, February 20

- Children's Corner Preschool—Closed
- 2:00 Congregational Care Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 4:00 Visitor and New Member Committee—Room 207
- 5:30 Budget and Finance Committee—Room 204

### Tuesday, February 21

#### Shrove Tuesday

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207
- 5:00 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper—Family Life Center Gym
- 5:00 Music For All (Guitar Lessons)—Schreiner Chapel Choir Room
- 5:30 Yoga for Community (Beginner/Gentle)—Ryan Hall

### Wednesday, February 22

#### Ash Wednesday

- 9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom
- 10:00 Yoga for Community (Chair)—Ryan Hall
- 10:30 Staff Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 12:00 Ash Wednesday Service—Sanctuary
- 6:00 Ash Wednesday Service—Sanctuary
- 6:00 Pastor Nominating Committee—Ryan Hall
- 7:00 Choir Practice—Choir Room

### Thursday, February 23

- 2:00 Stephen Ministry—Ryan Hall

### Friday, February 24

### Saturday, February 25

- 12:00 HOPES Kitchen—Family Life Center

### Sunday, February 26

#### 1st Sunday in Lent

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 26, 2023, immediately following the 11:00 am worship service



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## Announcements

- **Youth Pancake Supper: This Tuesday (February 21) at 5:00 pm**

Please join our youth for a pancake supper fundraiser in the Family Life Center. Fluffy pancakes, crispy bacon & sausage, all the toppings, juice and coffee! Cash, checks, and debit cards accepted. Donations will benefit the youth summer mission trips.

- Hear ye, hear ye! **Annual Meeting** of the FPC Kerrville congregation to be held on **Sunday, February 26, 2023, at 12 noon**, in the sanctuary. Purpose is to hear a "State of the Church" report from Pastor Jack Haberer, to hear a Financial Report on 2022, to review the Annual Budget for 2023. The Pastor Nominating Committee will give a report on its developments. The whole meeting is expected to adjourn around 12:30 p.m. Please join us. NOTE: The meeting will be live streamed for those unable to attend in person.
- **The Yakrz Lunch Group** meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month at various restaurants in Kerrville. Our next lunch will be on March 1 at La Fours at 11:30am. **To at sign up, please contact Clarice Amaan at 830-739-7803 or e-mail ciebeam@yahoo.com.**
- **Wednesday, March 8, 12:00 pm, Men's Luncheon:** Join us for lunch at El Sombrero De Jalisco restaurant. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by contacting the church office at 830-257-3310 or Don Priour at 830-896-4842.
- **Music-All Guitar Lessons**—FPC Music Outreach Program with music instructor and musician Andrew Dodson. Join us on Tuesday nights in the Choir Room below Schreiner Chapel. No experience required. All material provided. All are welcome. Contact Andrew Dodson at [andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.com](mailto:andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.com) or 832.244.9175.
- **Youth Dinner - Like to cook?** The youth are looking for dinner providers for March, April & May 2023. If you would like to bring dinner on a Sunday evening, please contact Emily at [emcallister@fpckerrville.org](mailto:emcallister@fpckerrville.org). Dinner is for 10-15 people, drop off in the FLC between 5-5:30 pm - plates/cutlery and drinks are provided, nut allergy so please no nuts!
- **FPC Grief Support Group**—Grief affects us in different and varied ways, and the path towards healing is never smooth or predictable. Sharing stories in a safe and welcoming environment can be one way to navigate this challenging time. Our Grief Support Group is led by a skilled professional, in a safe, confidential and supportive environment. Participants are encouraged to attend according to need, with no fixed time commitment or agenda. The group meets on the first and third Fridays of every month in Ryan Hall. Please call Pastor Susan Montoya or the church office at 830-257-3310 for more information.
- **Yoga for Community classes led by Cheryl Smith, Ryan Hall.**  
All classes include a scripture-based meditation, breathing practice, gentle warm-up movements, classic yoga postures and final meditation.

**Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - Beginner/Gentle Yoga** -for any level of participant who is comfortable getting down and up off the floor.

**Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga** -for any level of participant. This practice takes place on and standing near a chair, for support.