



First Presbyterian
Church | Kerrville



April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

Love Made Known

Sermon Series

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

The Gift of Love

Martin

†CALL TO WORSHIP

How good it is for us to come together as kindred spirits.

Hallelujah!

Our doubts are answered, and we feel the presence of Christ.

The risen Christ speaks to us and gives us peace.

Hallelujah!

Let our worship be the sign of our belief.

†HYMN 246

Christ Is Alive!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

During this season of Easter, let us remember the words from the apostle John's first letter. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just. God will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." In humility and faith, let us now pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Christ, you rose from the depths of suffering, from death itself, to breathe peace upon your disciples. Still, O Lord, we cannot trust your promise of peace. Still, O Lord, we do not follow in the way of your love. Forgive us when we fail to be people of resurrection. Forgive us when we fail to recognize your grace. Show us your hands and your feet once more, and teach us to be your body in the world.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Friends, hear the news: the stone has been rolled away, and Christ has risen! God has forgiven us through Jesus Christ, our hope and our redeemer.

We will live as God's people. Alleluia! Amen.

†RESPONSE

Hymn 240

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

†HYMN 377

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 133

pg. 501 O.T.

SECOND LESSON

1 John 1:5-10

pg. 989 N.T.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Love, Light, and Fellowship

Jasiel Hernandez Garcia

SILENT REFLECTION

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

†HYMN 408

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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**

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY

Siyahamba
(We Are Marching in the Light of God)

John Behnke

†RESPONSE

***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.***

Doxology 606

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*You may remain seated and enjoy the postlude
or politely exit and visit with friends in the Narthex.*

POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Hymn to Joy"

Mark Thallander



Thank You for Serving Today

WORSHIP LEADERS

Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, Susan Montoya, Melanie Houdeshell, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler, Bill Swart, Wes Lane.

USHERS

8:30 - Pam and Bill Cooper, Susan Junkin



Families in Worship

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. We have a special children's worship space on the balcony, and children's worship bags are available in the narthex. We encourage families to take advantage of these resources to include their children in worship. Nursery care is available for infants through kindergarten in Room 113 of the Education Building during Sunday school and the 11 am service. Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with the Children, a member of our childcare staff will meet the children in the narthex and escort them to the nursery.

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.fpckerville.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

Pastors:

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Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to www.fpckerville.org and click on "Calendar".

Sunday, April 7

8:30 Worship—Sanctuary

Monday, April 8 Solar Eclipse

CCP and Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, April 9

7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207

10:00 CCP Chapel—Schreiner Chapel

4:00 Missional Outreach Committee—Zoom

4:30 Children's Corner Preschool Committee—Room 204

5:30 Yoga for Community (Beginners/Gentle)—Ryan Hall

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom

10:00 Yoga for Community (Chair Yoga)—Ryan Hall

3:00 Adult Discipleship—Library

4:00 Hospitality and Fellowship—Room 204

5:30 Diaconate Meeting—Room 208

7:00 Choir Rehearsal—Choir Room

Thursday, April 11

2:00 Stephen Ministry—Ryan Hall

5:00 Music For All—Schreiner Choir Room

7:00 Presbyterian Women Night Circle—Ryan Hall

Friday, April 12

Saturday, April 13

12:00 HOPE's Kitchen—FLC

Sunday, April 14

8:30 Worship—Sanctuary

9:30 Fellowship Coffee Hour—Ryan Hall

9:45 Children's Sunday School—Room 210

9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall, Room 208

11:00 Worship-Sanctuary and Live Streamed
Congregational Meeting

5:00 Youth Group—FLC Youth Room



Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

† Please rise as able in body and spirit.

Bold type indicates unison response.

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

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



Let Us Pray

...for those who are sick, hospitalized or in care facilities,

for those who are grieving,

for those who are suffering from memory loss and their caregivers,

for those undergoing significant life transitions,

for our troops, especially those in war-torn areas,

for refugees all over the world and for those living in the midst of war.



Worship Notes

The Affirmation of Faith comes from the Belhar Confession. The cover artwork is titled "Walking into the Future" by Paul Akiiki.



Welcome, Visitors!

For more information about our church and its missions, visit our website at 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 sanctuary 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 and it will go to our prayer team, which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

Building a Community of Disciples Growing Towards
God-centered Worship
Christ-centered Service
Spirit-led Lives

Announcements

- **All Church Picnic Postponed:** Due to an abundance of fellowship activities already scheduled in April, plus recovery from joyful Easter and Eclipse activities, we have decided to **postpone** our All Church Picnic (scheduled for April 13) to the Fall. Please be on the lookout for details as we get closer to that time.
- **Wednesday, April 17th, Men's Lunch Group:** The men's lunch group will meet at 11:30am at the Lake House. Come enjoy fellowship and good food. Contact LeRoy Schlechte at leroy02@sbcglobal.net or the church office at 830-257-3310 to RSVP with Alicia Martin.
- **Saturday, April 20 — Food Bank Pop Up Market-**FPC has partnered with the San Antonio Food Bank to help distribute food to over 100 Kerr County families. We will gather at 8:00am at the YES Center for the next food distribution. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Julie Dunlap, dunlapjulia@gmail.com.
- **Christian Assistance Ministry (CAM):** Our local CAM branch is in need of breakfast cereal. Donations can be dropped off in the narthex or the church office.
- **Children's Ministry needs your help!** We have two awesome camps for children this summer, Creative Camp and Mission Kerrville. Creative camp will be June 3-6, 1:00-4:00pm. We are looking for daily volunteers to lead individual rotations in music, movement, arts and crafts, and STEM along with group leaders to stay with the children all week.

Mission Kerrville will be July 23-27, 9:00am-3:00pm. We are looking for helpers who will travel with the children and participate in different mission projects around Kerrville. One day or all week, we'll take your help! Mission Kerrville will involve daily water activities to keep cool in the Texas summer. To volunteer or ask questions reach out to Emily at emcallister@fpckerrville.org.

- **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
- Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga
- **HOPES Kitchen** greatly appreciates your donations of time, money and supplies! We are a giving congregation INDEED! At this time, we have plenty of resources, but would still love your participation. If you are inclined to help at all - even as a fill-in now and then - please give Cheryl Smith a call at (830) 739-6971, or email cheryllajunta@icloud.com. Thank you so much!!