

**Celebration of Worship**  
**March 14, 2021**  
**Fourth Sunday In Lent**

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*Gather – Assemble in God’s Name*

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**Prelude** Christine Yoshikawa

Please silence phones.

\*Those who are able, please stand.

**The Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcoming and Sharing of Community Life**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: My heart, O God, is steadfast; I will sing and  
make music with all my soul.

**People: Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.**

Leader: I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will  
sing of you among the peoples.

**People: For great is your love, higher than the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches to the skies.**

Leader: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;

**People: let your glory be over all the earth.**

Leader: Let us worship our sovereign, eternal God, Father,  
Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever. Amen.

**\*Hymn of Praise** #475

*“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*  
(1<sup>st</sup> and last verses)

**\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

Lord, we are needy children. We pride ourselves on our self-sufficiency and don’t like to admit that we are not sufficient to meet the moral and ethical challenges of our culture. We and our children face increasing hostility to church and faith. Help, Lord. By your grace and Spirit, empower us for the challenges of the day, including challenges to family and faith, that your glory may be reflected in the lives and actions of your children at all times, in all circumstances. In Christ we pray.

**\*A Time for Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

Pastor: Believe in the Good News of the Gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*Response of Praise and Gratitude**

*“I Love You, Lord”* #627

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*Grow – Proclaim God’s Word*

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**Children’s Message**

**Gospel Lesson:**

*John 3:14-21* Page#864

**Message:**

*“The Easter Experience, Part III”*

Pastor John Wamsley

**Hymn**

#188

*“Jesus Loves Me!”*

(both verses)

**Affirmation of Faith (In Unison)**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight. In love He predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure and will – to the praise of His glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One, He loves. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that He lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, He made known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment – to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

Amen.

**Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer**

*(“debts and debtors”)*

**Offertory**

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

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*Go – In God’s Name*

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**\*Hymn**

#450

*“Blest Thou My Vision”*

(1<sup>st</sup> and last verses)

**\*Benediction and Congregational Response**

God be with you till we meet again;

loving counsels guide, uphold you,

with a shepherd’s care enfold you.

God be with you till we meet again.

**\*Postlude**

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**To Our Guests:**

We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God’s word. If you would like more information concerning our Church, you may fill out one of the Welcome Cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate, talk to the ushers, call the church office at 850-526-2430 or email us at [fpcmarianna@gmail.com](mailto:fpcmarianna@gmail.com).

**Nursery Care:** Available for children six years old and under during the worship service each Sunday morning. NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS ARE NO LONGER NECESSARY.

**The Flowers** during this time of uncertainty with COVID restrictions, we will have plants in the Sanctuary and will continue with fresh flowers at a later date.

**This Week In Our Church:**

<b>Today</b>	<b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>CLOCKS FORWARD 1 HR</b>
9:30 am	Adult Sunday School – ZOOM (new Zoom ID is 88285853524 and the Passcode is 808523)	
9:45 am	Children & Youth Sunday School	
11:00 am	Worship Service	
<b>NOON</b>	<b>CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 15<sup>th</sup></b>	
2:00 pm	Prayer Meeting – Zoom	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting with Roy Martin &amp; Don Mowatt</b> <b>ZOOM</b>	
6:00 pm	God’s Warriors at Beef O’Brady’s	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>March 16<sup>th</sup></b>	
3:00 pm	Food Pantry Bagging	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>March 17<sup>th</sup></b>	
9:00 am	Food Pantry	
3:15 pm	Bell Choir	
3:15 pm	WWW	
5:30 pm	SQUAD and Sr. High	
6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study – Zoom	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 20<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b><u>8:00 am to Noon – WORK DAY—WORKERS NEEDED</u></b>		
10:00 am	Girl Scouts	

**First Presbyterian Church Prays For:**

(New requests in bold)

- Family and friends of Jim and Mary Ann Gibbs on the death of her brother, Jim Gibson
- Jane Powell
- Joy Lewis
- Cindy Yant
- Glenna Barber (requested by Cindy Yant)
- Sherry Barber (Amanda Hinson’s mother)
- Roy Turner
- Hedy Williams (Hanni Daffin’s sister)
- Ruth Hammett (Scott Yant’s mother)
- Fran McNeill and Ernie McNeill
- Charlotte Hunter
- Dr. Megan Johnson (Wamsley’s niece)
- Charlton Keen Jr. and niece, Kathryn Keen
- Doug Woolery (requested by Cindy Morgan)
- Zooey Chancey (requested by Ginger Green)
- Jeff Yon and Grade Taylor (requested by Scott Yant)
- Billy Herrington (requested by Jared Roberts)
- Joy Gilbert
- Sumi Hanstine (requested by Ashley Rackley)
- Ronnie Heath (requested by Larry & Jackie Spivey)
- Michael Schouest & family (requested by Kathy Roberts)
- Mary Bevis Schmidt (requested by Mel McClure Clark)
- Howard Alig (Cindy Morgan’s brother)
- Steven Quigley

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 The Session has called for a **Congregational Meeting** on Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon -- TODAY. The purpose is to pass a motion to: Recommend to the Presbytery of Florida that the pastoral relationship between the Rev. John Wamsley and First Presbyterian Church, Marianna, Florida be dissolved effective the end of the day, March 21, 2021.  
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**SATURDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
**CHURCH WORK DAY**  
**8 AM TO NOON**

There are several “clean up” projects around the church that need to be taken care of. Please show up ready to help.

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 HOPE YOU REMEMBERED TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS SATURDAY NIGHT – ONE HOUR FORWARD!  
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*First Presbyterian Church  
 Of  
 Marianna, Florida*

*Serving God With  
 FAITH,  
 HOPE  
 AND LOVE*

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