

Eleven O'clock Worship March 18, 2018  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Greeting/ Announcements:

Meditation words: See Jesus...Greeks...covenant...time

Prelude

\*Gathering Song: O Worship the King Red #2 v.1

**O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

\*Salutation and Call to Worship:

Welcome to worship, those who want to see Jesus.

**May God in Jesus Christ be praised!**

The time is coming, declares the Lord...

**When I will make a new covenant!**

I will write my law in their minds

**And write it on their heart.**

I will be their God...

**And they will be my people!**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Hymns: O Worship the King Red #2 v. 2-4

May the Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

\*Let us pray the unison prayer of thanksgiving.

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving: **We thank You, Lord God of all Your disciples, that You reveal great things when we come into Your presence. For blessings daily, such as food, shelter, and friends, we are grateful. For the blessings of the Holy Scripture, as we read and find eternal messages of faith, and for the church of which we are a part, we give You thanks. Make us able to approach You as the Greeks who came to see Jesus, as the apostles who walked with Him in Galilee, and as today's disciples who walk with that same Lord. In this season of Lent, prepare our hearts for the glorious celebration of Easter. Enliven our hearts with love, fill our minds with wonderful words life, and use our hands to do the work of the kingdom. As we worship, walk with us, speak to us, and inspire us to marvelous works. In Jesus' name, we pray.**

\*Silent Confession of Sin and Amen

Assurance of Pardon

\*The Gloria Patri

Red Hymnal # 734

Walks with Jesus

Linda Lumsden

Children (K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) exit for Children's Church

First Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34 Pew Bible p. 767

Prayers of the People (see list below)

The Lord's Prayer

Red Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

\* Hymns: O Sir We would See Jesus (Insert -Tune of Red #458)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

Red Hymnal # 34

\*The Apostles' Creed

Red Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

\*Prayer

### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Second Scripture Reading: John 3:14-21 Pew Bible #1043

Anthem

At the Cross

Isaac Watts

Sermon

“We Wish to See Jesus”

Dr. Russell Lee

Prayer

### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

\* Hymn: Lord, I Want to be a Christian Red #457

\*Charge and Blessing

Response

Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

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#### Directives for Prayer

Matthew and Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon

Sacrifice

Shut-in: Julia Baskervill

Disciples

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a bright yellow visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

**Listening devices** are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary

**Prayer Cards** are available in each pew. If you would like to have a card sent to someone that we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send out a card during the following week.

**Flowers** – Given to the glory of God, and in honor of my parents, Buck and Jenny Wilkins, by Sue Bales (and CJ).

**Ushers** – serving today are Winston Harrell and Carole Woodward at the North Door and Carter Henderson and Mike Long\* at the South door. Today's Acolyte is Maelyn Freshour and with Robert Guthrie doing audio at the 11 am service.

**Children's Church and Nursery:** The children are invited to Children's Church in the room across from the nursery. Children's Church is for preschoolers through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Today's leader is Sue Bales. Each Sunday the nursery mother is Terri Hazelwood.

#### This Week's Announcements

**11 AM service on Radio for March, April, and May-** 11 am worship will be broadcast live on 95.3 FM - WHLF live each Sunday during the next three months. If you are not able to be here, turn the radio on. Let our shut-ins and others know of this wonderful opportunity we have to connect with others in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Elders and Deacons** – Tomorrow, Monday, March 19 we meet for our normal scheduled meetings - Elders at 7:30 and Deacons at 7:00 pm.

**Lenten Luncheons** –Our Lenten Luncheons continue this Wednesday, March 21. Come join us and bring a bag lunch at 12:00 and listen to a devotional with Rev. Bob Balance from First Baptist Church at 12:30. We will finish promptly at 12:45. If you prefer just come for the devotion and get the afternoon off to a great spiritual start.

**Attention Ladies! Women's Bible Study-** Our next class is Thursday, March 22 at 10:30 am. Our focus is on the book *Battlefield of the Mind*, by Joyce Meyer. We will be discussing chapters 18 & 19. Please join us in the Philathea room and bring a friend; as we learn how to more effectively set our minds on God and find peace and freedom from these destructive behaviors.

**From Julia Baskervill** – Greetings and a huge Thank You for prayers and all acts of kindness these many weeks. I wish for each of you a healthy, happy and safe Easter. Take Care! With Love, Julia

**Reminder:** Julia Baskervill's birthday is coming up this week, on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you would like to send a card her address is: 400 Sandhurst Drive, S. Prince George, VA 23805.

**Thank you** – Received from Lawson family - Dear Church family, Thank you so much for your prayers and concerns during Kitty's illness. The peace lily you sent is beautiful. We will miss her. Love, Joanna Hughes and Pat Hay.

**Thank You** – Received from Paige Powell and Sue Bales - Thank you all so much for the Peace Lily. Also, thanks for so many sweet cards. It really helps at such a sad time.

Jenny truly loved her church and friends here. We are so grateful we had her for 90 yrs and she even got to celebrate her birthday at her kitchen table with her close friends and family. Thank you again, Love, Paige and Sue.

**Maundy Thursday Covered Dish Communion** - Thursday, March 29, will be our annual Maundy Thursday covered dish when we will gather at 6 pm for a devotional, and communion around the table. Bring a covered dish and join us for this time of blessing and inspiration in this prelude to Easter.

**Palm Sunday** – Next Sunday- We will gather at 10am. Worship and Processional will begin at 10:20am, where we will proceed down the street waving palm branches and singing.

**Calendar**

**Sunday, March 18** 9:00 am Contemporary Worship  
10:15 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

**Monday, March 19** 7:00 pm Deacons  
7:30 pm Elders

**Tuesday, March 20** 12:00 noon NA  
7:00 pm Hope Cancer Group

**Wednesday, March 21** 12:00 noon Lenten Luncheon  
with Rev. Bob Ballance  
6:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, March 22** 10:30 am Women's Bible Study  
12:00 noon Mom's in Prayer  
7:00 pm Men of the Church

Friday, March 23 12:00 noon AA

Saturday, March 24 12:00 noon NA Women

**Church Staff**

C. Russell Lee, Jr., D.Min, Pastor  
Sherolyn Barnett, Administrative Assistant  
Christopher (Chris) D. Jones, Church Musician  
Doris Koch, Church Treasurer  
Ernest (Avon) Traynham, Sexton  
Terri Hazelwood, Nursery Leader  
LeAnne Pulliam, Youth Coordinator

**Session**

Sandi Hughes, Clerk

**Class of 2018**

Steven Crutchfield  
Mike Koch  
Nancy Pool

**Class of 2019**

Art Carter  
Steve Reynolds  
Jim Sizemore

**Class of 2020**

Linda Lumsden  
Donald Cherry  
Sandi Hughes

**Diaconate**

Chairman

**Class of 2018**

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Terri Smith

**Class of 2019**

Laura Edwards  
Brenda McPeters  
Skyler Smith

**Class of 2020**

Kelly Chappell  
Dianne Greene  
Sue Bales

**Trustees**

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**The W.W. Glass Scholarship Fund Trustees**

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**First Presbyterian Church**

9 O'clock Worship ~ March 18, 2018

Prelude  
Welcome/Prayer  
Praise and Worship Time

(#51) Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (3:7)  
I Will Sing (inst)  
(#16) Change My Heart, O God (1:16)

Announcements  
A Stewardship Word  
Prayer Time/The Lord's Prayer (words on screen)  
Offering

Made to Worship (inst)  
(#120) Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord (6:12)  
Shout to the Lord (inst)

Scripture: John 12:20-33 Pew Bible #1043  
Sermon: "We Wish to See Jesus" Dr. Russell Lee  
Prayer  
Closing Song As We Go

Bob and Ann Egloff, Mike Marvin and Bill Joor,  
and Rev. Russell Lee are today's Praise Team  
Usher for this 9 am service is Steve Reynolds\*  
Brian Raney will provide computer/audio support  
A nursery is available

*As we worship, walk with us, speak to us, and inspire  
us to marvelous works.*



First Presbyterian Church is a  
Stephen Ministry Congregation

**Our Missionaries**

Patrick Cherry, New Church Development, Wake Forest, N. C.  
C.W. & Leslie Bing, Water for the Oppressed, Zambia  
Dave and Rachael Carter, Chad  
Matthew and Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon  
Mission Possible, Haiti and Dominican Republic  
Overseas Missionary Fellowship International  
Paul & Reinhold Sydnor, International Assoc. for Refugees, Europe  
Art and Andrea Carter

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**South Boston, Virginia**



**FIFTH SUNDAY**  
*In Lent*

Mission Statement

**"Growing God's Presence"**  
**Foundational Principles**  
*Christ Centered~Biblically Based~  
Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love*  
**Values**  
*Committed~Servant Heart~  
Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning*

**The Lord's Supper** is observed bi-monthly.  
All Christians are invited to commune with us.  
A nursery is provided for pre-school children and  
Children's Church is available for children thru 2nd grade each Sunday.  
5 cents-a-meal Offering is collected the last Sunday of each month.  
Worship every Sunday at 9 am and 11 am  
and Sunday School at 10 am.

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