


1st Sunday in Lent
February 17, 2013

Rev. Tom Winter

Organist: Dr. Susie F. Dempsey

Lay Reader
Jordan Falk

Elder Greeter
Gary Brown

Ushers
Toby and Austin Falk

Gathering

First Ringing of the Bell ☞ Music for Meditation
Second Ringing of the Bell ☞ Opening of the Bible
Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements

Prelude *Variations on Earth and All Stars* Robert Powell

Call to Worship

One: The God of our ancestors heard our cries and saw our oppression when we were slaves in Egypt.

All: God brought us out with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. With signs and wonders God brought us through the wilderness.

One: The Lord, our shelter, our refuge, our dwelling place, says,

All: “When my people call to me, I will answer them: I will be with them in trouble; I will show them my salvation.”

Prayer of Adoration and The Lord’s Prayer

†Hymn *Earth and All Stars* Hymnal #458

†Affirmation of Faith *1 Cor. 15:1-6; Mark 16:9; Matt. 16:16; Rev. 22:13; John 20:28*

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many other faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God.

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, in times of need, help us to look to you for sustenance. We weep in our separateness and fear. We often ache in spirit, mind and body. We wander in our own wilderness, bitten by snakes, tethered to feelings of inadequacy and hopelessness. Yet you are always with us. Despite our fragile faith, we are assured of your healing love, time after time. By your grace, we are given a symbol of that love, your Child, Jesus. We seek the strength of hope, knowing your open arms will guide us on our journey. Amen.

Moment for Personal, Silent Confession

The Kyrie Eleison *-All are invited to sing-* Hymnal # 572
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

†The Gloria Patri

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.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11 OT Page 180

Deuteronomy recounts the story of Israel’s deliverance from Egyptian slavery.

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Psalm Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

This psalm offers the comfort that God journeys with individuals and the larger community of faith.

One: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”

All: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

One: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

All: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

One: You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

All: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

One: When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

All: With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Time with the Young People

Gospel Reading Luke 4:1-13 NT Page 61

In the wilderness Jesus is tempted by the devil.

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **The Shelter of the Most High** Rev. Tom Winter

†Hymn *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* Hymnal #81

Prayers of the People

Offertory *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* Dale Wood

†Doxology

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.

†Prayer of Dedication

Sending

†Hymn *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* Hymnal #84

†Charge and Benediction

†Hymn *Song of Hope* Hymnal # 432
May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working, for a world that’s new; faithful, when we hear Christ’s call.

Postlude *Jesu, Priceless Treasure* Michael Burkhardt
(Jesu Meine Freude)

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† Please stand if you are able.

Welcome to our Visitors

We are happy to have you worship with us and we hope you will return to worship with us again in the near future. Please indicate your attendance by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the offering plate. If you are interested in learning more about membership in First Presbyterian Church, please speak to one of our pastors or the Elder Greeter after the service.

Nursery will be provided for all children 6 years and under.

Prayer requests - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. Please place your request in the offering plate when the offering is received.

Announcements

Food for the Jacksonville Christian Outreach Center (JCOC) – Today we will collect food for the JCOC. Please bring Bisquick, Jiffy Mix, spaghetti noodles, and spaghetti sauce to help keep the shelves stocked for those in need.

We Especially Invite You to our monthly Church Dinner immediately following the service today. Please join us for this time of wonderful food and fellowship.



Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)

Mary Lois Dempsey

Bobby Haynes

Joy Kelly and Family

Tom Kittleman (son-in-law of Dorothy Jane Nisbet)

Stacy Boozer Mariani

Ken Mount

Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)

Janet Underhill (Steve Underhill's mother)

Richard Wheeler



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Next Sunday –February 24

Rev. Monty Clendenin

Scripture

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27;
Philippians 3:17—4:1; Luke 13:31-35

Lay Reader

Wayne Claeren

Ushers

Wayne Claeren and Cosper Bell

Worship Opportunities for this Week

Today	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study – Uppity Women of the Bible
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Rev. Thomas S. Winter, Stated Supply Pastor

Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer

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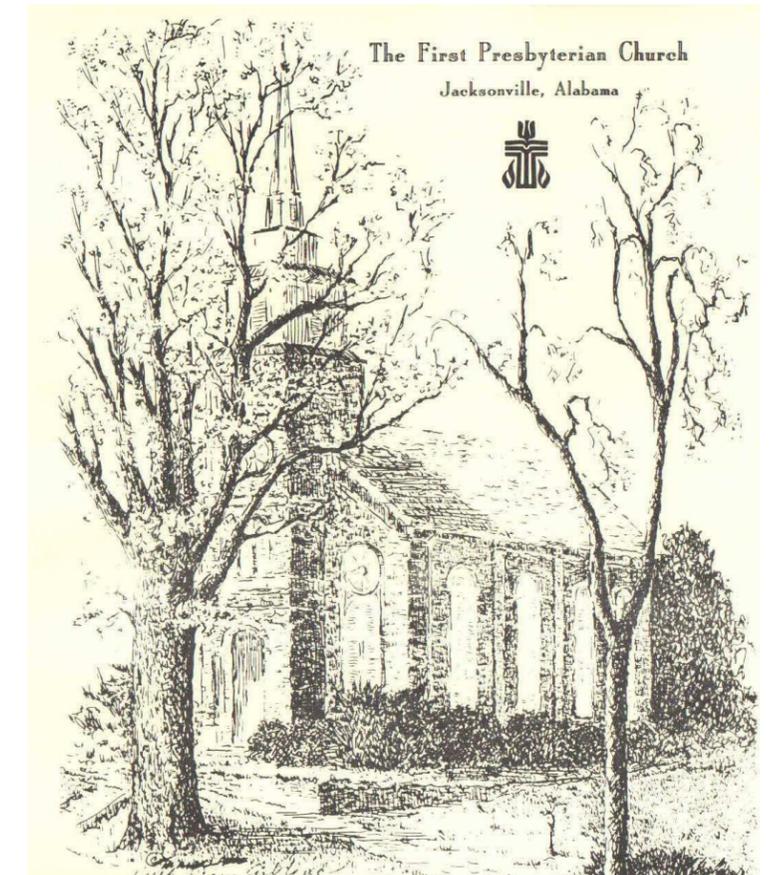
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