

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, February 15
Office Closed for President's Day

Tuesday, February 16
9:00 a.m. First Kids Preschool
7:00 p.m. PW CT *(online)*

Wednesday, February 17
9:00 a.m. First Kids Preschool
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts *(online)*

Thursday, February 18
9:00 a.m. First Kids Preschool

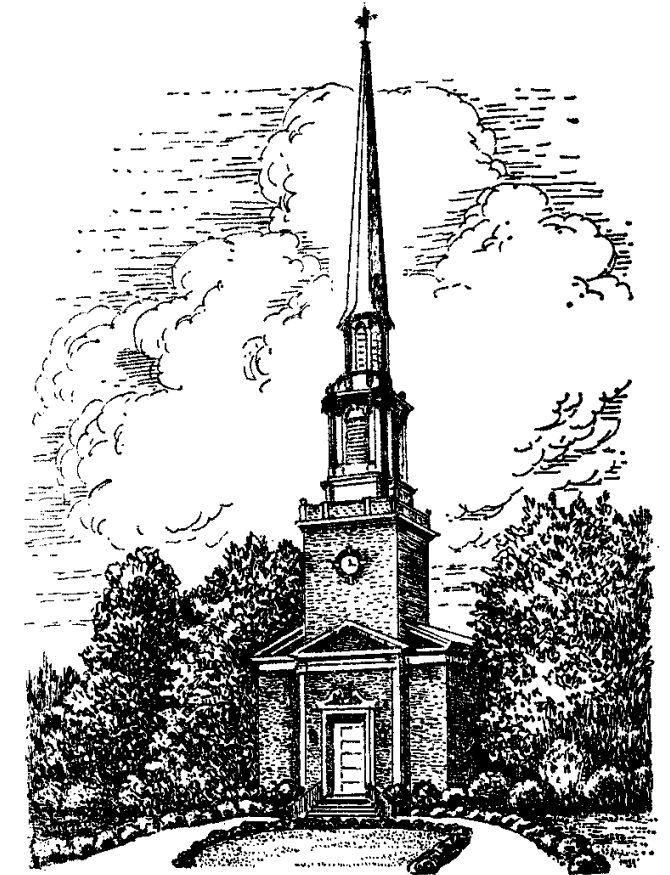
Friday, February 19
9:00 a.m. First Kids Preschool

Sunday, February 21
8:30 a.m. Worship *(online)*
9:45 a.m. Journey Sunday School *(Sanctuary)*
10:00 a.m. S & D Sunday School *(online)*
11:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting *(online)*



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CONCORD

Transfiguration of the Lord



**First Presbyterian Church
70 Union Street North
Concord, North Carolina**

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Class of 2021

Evelyn Barrier
Holly Cagle
Wade Holland
Carol Hovey
Jeff Monroe
Chrissy Rotan
Dave Sheridan

ELDERS

Class of 2022

Peter Chikes
Jim Holloway
Donna Knorr
Margaret Moore
Hunter Morrison
Kathy Pilkington

Class of 2023

Dale Carpenter
Merl Hamilton
Harris Morrison
Amy Murphy
Susan Otteni
Susan Smith

Gina Goff — Clerk of Session

DEACONS

Class of 2021

Ron Barus
Susan Brooks
Brooks Fulton
Mary Garrison
Margaret Hillman
Anne Morrison

Class of 2022

Donna Cline
Jessica Garmon
Edy Johnston
Kate Morrison
Dean Phillips
Don Seitz
Scott Verner

Class of 2023

Linda Barnett
Tripp Carpenter
Kimberly Leatherman
Jeff Nelson
Ellie Sherrill
Dakeita Vanderburg
Amanda Williamson

Rev. Rush Otey, Interim Supply Pastor
Rev. Lynne Keel, Associate Pastor for Care and Mission
Dr. Jacqueline Yost, Director of Music and Organist
Dr. Jeffrey W. Price, Choirmaster

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Bright and Glorious is the Sky* Wayne Wold

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!
People: The Lord's name be praised!
Leader: Great God, You have been generous and marvelously kind. Give us such wonder, love, and gratitude that we may sing praises to You and joyfully honor Your name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Unison: Amen.

MUSIC

CALL TO CONFESSION

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: O Trinity of love, One God, in perfect community, look now on us who look to You . . .
People: And hear our prayer for our community.
Leader: Where there is falseness . . .
People: Smother it by Your truth.
Leader: Where there is any coldness . . .
People: Kindle the flame of Your love.
Leader: Where there is joy and hope . . .
People: Free us to share it together.
Leader: And make us one . . .
People: As You are one.
Leader: Before God and you who are near me, I release anything I hold against you; I regret all I have done to harm you; I stand beside the wrong in my life and ask for God's forgiveness.
People: Before God and you who are near, we release anything we hold against one another. We regret all the harm we have done; we stand beside the wrong in our lives and ask for God's forgiveness (Silent Prayers of Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 5:6-11

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

MUSIC *O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair* DEO GRATIAS
(Trio: Joy Cook, Scott Verner, Jeffrey Price)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 50:1-6 Jonathan Ewart, lay reader
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 8:27-9:8

SERMON "Glory and Discipleship" Rev. Rush Otey

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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 CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING *TEXT TO GIVE: 704-228-7459*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Jesus on the Mountain Peak* MOWSLEY
(Trio: Joy Cook, Scott Verner, Jeffrey Price)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

O God, as today we have remembered Your astonishing glory, open to us again the sea of Your mercy, and fill us with full streams from the riches of Your grace and springs of Your kindness. Make us children of quietness and heirs of peace: kindle in us the fire of Your love; sow in us Your reverence; strengthen our weakness by Your power, and bind us close to You and to each other. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE *O Light Divine* Pavel Chesnokov
(Sanctuary Choir, Archival Recording)

POSTLUDE *And the Glory of the Lord Shall be Revealed* Handel/Yost

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday is February 17. Our FPC Ash Wednesday worship video will be posted on February 16, and ashes and Lenten devotional materials will be available in the lobby of the fellowship house from Tuesday, February 16 through Thursday, February 18 during office hours.

First Kids News It is hard to believe that 1/2 our year is over and that it is already time to register for the 2021-2022 school year. All currently enrolled children and church members with preschool-aged children, should have received registration forms. If you did not receive a form, you need a new form, or even another for a friend, please call Maureen at 704-788-2812. Come join our family, we have a lot of fun!

Notice of Congregational Meeting There will be a Zoom Congregational Meeting next Sunday, February 21, at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the 2021 budget and 2020 statistical report. The congregation will receive an email with the link for the meeting at that time.

Racial Equity Reads Our next Racial Equity Reads book will be "Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents" by Isabel Wilkerson. We will begin our discussions on Sunday, February 21st at 4 p.m. via Zoom with Part 1 (Ch. 1-3). As part of our ongoing commitment to this work, we encourage you to purchase your books through black-owned booksellers if possible. For more information or to sign up to join the discussion, please contact Lynne Keel at lynne.keel@firstpresconcord.org