



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 3rd, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent



Transfiguration by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman

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Order of Worship

Prelude *Solo II in G Minor, op. 1, no. 2* John Stanley
Shannon Vandzura, flute; Felix Ren, bassoon; Bruce Stevens, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Introit Hymn 851 “Come, Bring Your Burdens to God” WOZA NOMTHWALO WAKHO
Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Let us worship God.

*Hymn 645 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Prayer of Confession Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

God, you offer yourself freely to me, even as I often abandon you. I turn from the life you offer to the obsessions of my mind; I reject the community inherent in your creation, and I cut myself off from you, my only source of life. I cling to everything the world sells. And it's junk. God, we repent and beg your forgiveness. Help us live as you would have us live and love with abandon.

(Adapted from a prayer by the Rev. Steve Garnaas-Holmes)

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples Cate Henderson

*Children ages 3 years through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel.
They will return to the sanctuary for the Lord's Supper.*

Hymn 451 (vv. 1-2) “Open My Eyes, That I May See” OPEN MY EYES

Prayer for Illumination Rev. Dr. Eric Barreto

Scripture Reading Luke 9:28-36 NT p. 65

Sermon “What's Love Got to Do with Not Knowing?”

Call to Offering Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

***Please rise in body or in spirit.**

Offertory

Amazing Grace

arr. Jason N. Brown

Chancel Choir; Jondra Harmon, mezzo-soprano
Shannon Vandzura, flute; Felix Ren, bassoon

*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

ST. FLAVIAN

**Praise God throughout these forty days;
praise Christ, whom God did raise;
and praise the Spirit who imparts
Christ's Love into our hearts. Amen.**

Sacrament of Communion

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

[...] through Christ, who taught us to pray together, saying:

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 35)

**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.**

Words of Institution

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Receiving Communion by Intinction

Music During Communion

Organ Chorale: "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

J. S. Bach

Prayer After Communion

*Hymn 432

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

REPTON

*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Dr. Eric Barreto

Postlude

Prelude in C Major ("The Trumpet"), BWV 531

J. S. Bach

Rev. Dr. Eric Barreto, today's guest preacher, is the Weyerhaeuser Associate Professor of New Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary and an ordained Baptist minister. He is the author of *Ethnic Negotiations: The Function of Race and Ethnicity in Acts 16*, the co-author of *Exploring the Bible*, and editor of *Reading Theologically*.

Montreat Women's Connection, August 9-11. The keynote speaker is Becca Stevens, founder and President of thistle Farms (thistlefarms.org). Registration opens February 15th at Montreat.org. Please remember to register as a "commuter." For additional information or questions, please contact Neely Barnhardt (nbbarnhardt@gmail.com).

FELLOWSHIP AT FIRST

Sponsored by Presbyterian Women



TUESDAY, MARCH 5

12PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

EVERYONE IS INVITED | THE PROGRAM IS FREE | LUNCH INCLUDED FOR \$15

THIS MONTH'S FEATURED GUEST:

Rev. Dr. E. Carson Brisson

Associate Professor of Bible and Biblical Languages,
Union Presbyterian Seminary



Register to attend at
<http://tinyurl.com/5Mar24Fellowshipat1st>
or use the QR code.



HOLY WEEK AT FPC

Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday	Easter Sunday
March 24	March 28	March 31
10:30AM & 5PM	7PM	10:30AM & 5PM

Join us in person or online at youtube.com/fpcrichmond

VACATION BIBLE STUDY



JULY 8-11 | 9AM - 12PM
AGES 4 THROUGH 5TH GRADE

A great time for children to grow in their faith during the summer through songs, crafts, and games. Youth (rising 6th grade and up) are also encouraged to share their leadership skills with us.

Please reach out to
Cate Henderson
(chenderson@fpcrichmond.org)
for more information.

YOUTH SUMMER SAVE THE DATES

JUNE 10-14
Youth Service Week

JUNE 20-23
Massanetta MS Youth Conference

JULY 8-11
Vacation Bible School

JULY 14-20
Montreat HS Youth Conference

Registration deadline for these events is **Monday, April 1, 2024**. For more information contact Youth Ministry Coordinator, Hannah Miller (hmiller@fpcrichmond.org)

This week's usher team includes: Pratt Cook, Jon Morris, Eliza Grace Saunders, Pete Winters, Elizabeth Saunders
If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton (kmmfour@aol.com)

Elders at the doors: Eone Beck, Clark Lewis, Susan McNulty

The flowers in the Sanctuary were arranged by Sara Crump. The flowers in the Memorial Corridor were arranged by Lauren Neal.

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Gary Barranger, health concerns
- Sally Brown, recovering from surgery
- Nancy Bruni (*Ben Bruni's mother*), cancer treatment
- Madelyn Chewning, upcoming knee surgery
- Bobby Cobb, health concerns
- Hannah Gray, health concerns
- Shannon Johnson (*Cate Henderson's friend*), cancer treatment
- Jay Johnston, health concerns
- Nellie Martin, recovering from a broken foot
- Lawrence Mauck (*Becky and Newby Mauck's son*), recovering from surgery
- Barbara Mitchell (*Judy Noble's mother*), in hospice care
- Liz Moore (*Ellen Walk's mother*), health concerns
- Jane Neer, health concerns
- Byrd Newton (*Emily Laux's father*), health concerns
- Betty Proffitt (*Jenny Morris' mother*), health concerns
- Ray Slabaugh, health concerns
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Percy Wootton, health concerns
- Rebecca Wurst, cancer treatment

Those Rejoicing:

- Hannah Miller on becoming certified from Presbytery of the James to seek her first pastoral call and be ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.
- Mary Kay Collins' parents on being honored this weekend in Florida for their role in launching Young Life in Florida 65 years ago. We celebrate with them and are grateful Mary Kay can be with them.

We pray for members and family serving in the military:

Tripp Bowles, Jenny Sigel Burkett, Zach Kirk, Mason Louthan, Anne Marks, Nathan Thomas Meade, Peyton Spivey, Pierce Tarry, and Will Watkins.

How can we pray for you?

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