

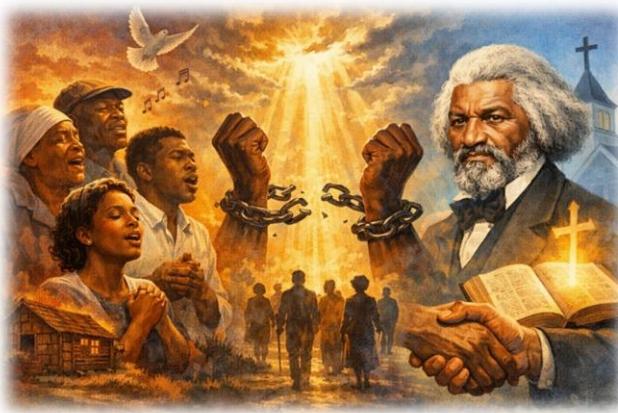
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GRAPEVINE

BLACK HISTORY MONTH SUNDAY

February 15, 2026

10:30 AM



“If there is no struggle, there is no progress.”
Frederick Douglass (February 14, 1818 – February 20, 1895)

Everybody is welcome here.

Whoever and wherever you are on your life's journey, we see God in you. Come! This is a place for everyone* who desires to hear and embrace the word of God. Because God

welcomes all, we, too, welcome everyone into the whole of our community. We respect each individual's identity and contributions. We affirm and nurture the worth of every person's journey.

**"Everyone" and related pronouns = persons of every age, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, mental or physical abilities.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *“Ride on King Jesus”* arr.
Valerie Stephenson

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Handbell Choir

WELCOME & GREETING

The nursery is available for infants through pre-K. All children are invited, during worship, to the Pray Ground in the sanctuary and/or to use the activity bags available in the Narthex. We ask that parents sit in the area near the Pray Ground.

VISITORS: We are delighted that you have joined us today in worship and we encourage you to register your attendance by using your phone to scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin (under the Attendance heading) or to complete a Visitor's Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Thank you and we hope to see you again.

Also, prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

*One: Beloved of God, we gather to worship the Lord
who hears prayers spoken and sung.*

Musicians & Singers:

These songs were “tones loud, long, and deep,” breathing prayer and complaint to God.

Choir Side: Not songs of happiness.

Pulpit Side: Voices shaped by sorrow and trust.

ALL: We come to worship the God who hears, the God who remembers, the God who delivers.

One:

Let us worship the Lord.

ALL: Let us worship God.

*HYMN 339 “*Lift Every Voice and Sing*” LIFT EVERY VOICE

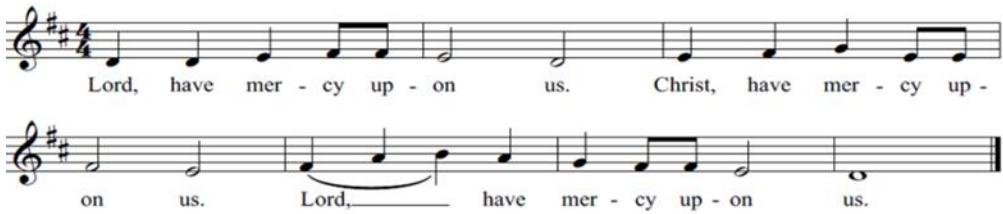
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The songs of faith we sing today were born from deep sorrow and honest cries to God. They remind us that faith does not hide from suffering or turn away from truth.

Yet we confess that we have not always listened with humility. We have heard the music without attending to the pain beneath it. We have trusted our comfort more than God’s call, and we have grown weary in the work of love and justice.

Trusting in the mercy of the God who hears every prayer—spoken and sung—we come now to confess our sin and to seek God’s grace together.

(Silent Prayer)



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KYRIE ELEISON

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE PEACE

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn #581)

**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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from the Westminster Confession of Faith (1647)

Adapted

We believe in God, the great Creator of all things, who upholds and governs all that God has made with wisdom, holiness, and steadfast love. We believe that God hears the cries of God's people and remains present in times of suffering and trial. God is faithful to God's promises, and God's mercy does not fail. We believe in Jesus Christ, who is our righteousness and our hope, and through whom we receive forgiveness and new life. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who strengthens faith, forms the Church, and enables us to live in obedience, to love our neighbors, and to seek justice with humility. Trusting in God's grace alone, we offer our lives in worship and service, to the glory of God.

**MOMENT WITH YOUNG
DISCIPLES**

Wilmer Blacknall, Jr.

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.**

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
Johnson

“Ain’t Got Time to Die” Hall

Sanctuary Choir

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***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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING

James 1:2-8

SECOND READING

Numbers 13:25-33

SERMON “Singing Toward the Promised Land”

Rev. Dr. Robert S. Crilley

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

***HYMN 379**

“We Shall Overcome”

WE SHALL OVERCOME

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***Congregation rises in body or in spirit.**

Thanks to Barbara Nunn for serving as liturgist.

The Session has called a congregational meeting to take place immediately following the worship service on Sunday, February 22, 2026, for the following purposes: (a) receiving the 2025 Annual Reports; (b) approving changes in the terms of call for the Rev. Dr. Robert S. Crilley; (c) electing members-at-large to serve on the 2026 Nominating Committee. The nominees are Bob Mitchell, George Gearner, Kaki Talbot, Barbara Nunn and Josef Spencer. To see the 2025 Annual Report, click QR

code below.



LOOKING AHEAD:



Imposition of Ashes Service
Wednesday, February 18, 7:00 pm



Take time to get away and reconnect at the Gilmont Men's Retreat. This year's theme, *Handcrafted by Grace*, explores how God shapes each of us with a unique and intentional purpose before sending us into the world as God's hands to lead courageously, compassionately, and faithfully. Enjoy inspiring worship, meaningful conversation, great food,

fellowship, and time in God's creation. Space is limited, so register soon at www.gilmont.org

Prayer Vigil - Friday March 6 - Sunrise to Sunset

Following Jesus in a Fractured World.

At First Presbyterian Grapevine we have the common belief of following Jesus. What did Jesus do to minister to people in the troubled world of his time? First, he prayed. So, let's follow his model, seeking discernment for how we might actively serve in our community. To join in the World Day of Prayer, a vigil is scheduled for March 6. A signup sheet for time slots is available in the Narthex and will also be available online.

STAYING CONNECTED

Facebook - facebook.com/fpcgv/

Instagram - @FPCGV

WIFI: FPGV-GUEST Password – godslove

The Web – fpcgv.org

X (Twitter) - @FPCGV

WAYS TO GIVE

ATTENDANCE

In Christ, God has showered us with grace upon grace. In gratitude, we now give back to God through our tithes and offerings. Monetary offerings may be given electronically or in the offering plate. To make a contribution electronically, please scan the QR code below.



(1) Check in with a push of a button on your membership app.
(2) Sign the friendship pad in the pew.
(3) Scan the QR code below (on your mobile device) which will take you to a simple form.



Upcoming Worship and Events Calendar

- Sunday, February 15, 12:00 pm Youth Handbells
- Monday, February 16, 9:00 am Finance Committee
- Tuesday, February 17, 10:00 am Tuesday Study Group
- Tuesday, February 17, 7:00 pm Session Meeting
- Wednesday, February 18, 7:45 am Men's Fellowship Group
- **Wednesday, February 18, 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service**
- Wednesday, February 18, 8:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, February 19, 1:00 pm Pastor Bob's Bible Study

- Thursday, February 19, 6:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- Thursday, February 19, 7:00 pm Prayer Group (Zoom)

Link to these and more by scanning the QR code using the camera on your mobile device or by checking your “Narthex News.”

