

ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2019

11:00 AM

Reverend Marguerite Serrine, Interim Pastor

Scott Schlesinger, Organist/Choir Director

JoAnn Harrison, Secretary

Gathering of the People

Prelude
Welcome and Opening Prayer
Choral Introit

Fugue in F minor

Marcel Dupré

Holy, Holy, Holy

Praise of God

Call to Worship (from *Feasting on the Word*)

Leader: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

People: The journey begins in the wilderness.

Leader: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

People: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

Leader: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

All: For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.

* Hymn No. 666

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

Confession of Sin

Call to Confession
Silent Individual Confession
Prayer of Confession

O God, our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you. We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world. In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend. Forgive us, we pray. Do not let us be put to shame, O God. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response No. 437

You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!". The music is in G major and 6/8 time. The lyrics are: "You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!". Chord symbols are provided above the notes: Em, D, Em, Am, Em, D, Em for the first line; Am, D, C, D, Em, C, Em for the second line; Em, D, G, Am, Em, D, E for the third line.

Sharing of God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Anthem

My Wordless Prayer

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (p. 180)

Lyrics by Pamela Martin

Music by Craig Courtney

Karoline Mathewson

Conversation with the Children

*(We have worship packets available for Children as they remain in
worship; a nursery is provided for infants and toddlers downstairs)*

Scripture Reading

Luke 4:1-13 (p. 61)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Marguerite Serrine

Response to the Gospel

* Hymn No. 783

When We Are Tested

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.

The Offering

Offertory

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

George Shearing

* Hymn of Dedication

Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ all people here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Praise Holy Spirit evermore,

Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (in unison)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving all sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

Go Forth to Serve

Invitation to Share and Serve

* Hymn No. 166

Lord, Who throughout these Forty Days

* Charge and Benediction

* Response

Amen

* Postlude

Once More, My Soul

George Shearing

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CHURCH NOTES -- March 10, 2019

WELCOME VISITORS! We welcome you to Hillsborough Presbyterian Church and to this service. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today because we believe that everyone who enters these doors is God's guest. We invite you to sign the guest book in the narthex or the Friendship Pad as it is passed among the congregation. We welcome all to be part of our community of faith, and participate in any of our activities and events.

We invite you to join us on Sundays for worship and education.

9:45 AM Sunday School -- for all ages!

9:45 AM Children's Nursery (downstairs, Room #201)

11:00 AM Traditional Worship – with organ music and choir

CHILD CARE is provided for infants and toddlers (infants – pre-k) in the Nursery on the first floor (downstairs from Sanctuary).

The **FLOWERS** are shared today to the Glory of God by Tom Brown and Robin Bedingfield.

Assisting in Worship today:

Liturgist: Alicia Gonzalez

Acolyte: Ben Stephenson

The **CHOIR's** introit (#559) and benediction (#561) is from the "Glory to God" hymnbook.

We love children in worship! There are Worship Bags (coloring pages, stories, etc.) available for children during worship.

Next Sunday – Lenten Study in Strudwick Hall at 9:45. Discussion topic will be: Meaningful Relationships and Spiritual Vitality.

Circle #1 will meet on Monday, March 11 at 11:00 AM in Room #204. We will continue our new study on Hospitality. Please come and enjoy sharing time together. Questions? See Ann Sebesan.

Youth Group meets on **Wednesdays**, 6:00 - 7:30 pm in room #204. We have 10-11 eligible participants. **Next meeting on 3/13** (O'Connor family to provide meal). To provide a meal, use the sign-up sheet on the Mission bulletin board. Questions? See Eric Cathey.

On **March 17** after the service, the **young parents group** will be gathering for a meal prep time. We will be making meals to share amongst ourselves and for the church to use for members in need. Please let Carly Bailey know by March 15 if you would like to join 864-325-6477. All are welcome!

"Finish It Friday" - You are invited to a **sewing/craft group** on the 3rd Friday night of each month from 6:00 – 11:00 PM. This month on March 15th. Bring your sewing or hobby project and stay as long as you like. Come enjoy working with friends and sharing time and ideas with each other. Questions? See Ann Sebesan.

The **Presbyterian Women's Evening Circle** will meet on Wednesday, March 20th, at 7:00 PM, in the Parlor (#224, upstairs). We will be discussing chapter 4 of *Dear White Christian*. All women of the church are invited to join us. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Jaubert at 919-624-2731 or jaubert.linda@gmail.com.

Our **Food For All** meal will be **Tuesday, March 26th**. (Always the 4th Tuesday.) The sign-up sheet for volunteers is on the mission bulletin board. Questions? See Jane McIver.

ANNUAL SPRING HPC WORK DAY – Join us on **Saturday, March 30, beginning at 9:00 am**. A sign-up sheet detailing the activities for the day will be posted on the board next to room 204 in mid-March. Refreshments will be available in Strudwick Hall. Please review the activities and join in the fellowship that accompanies this day of devotion to keeping our church ready to provide the best possible facilities to our congregation and the community.

HPC Choir rehearsals are on Thursday evenings, at 7:00 PM in Room #221. Questions? See Scott Schlesinger.

Please join us for a **wedding shower** for Bethany Remington on Sunday March 31 from 2-4 in Strudwick Hall. Bethany and Carlos are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Target and you can access their registry: <http://www.bethanyandcarlos.com/registry>. For questions contact Cheryl Maxey or Stephanie Morgan.

The **2019 NURSERY SIGN-UP** sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway! Thank you for signing up to take care of our little ones on Sundays! Questions? See Vernon Cooper and Chris O'Connor.

You're invited to Little River Presbyterian Church for a **Bible Study with Dr. Efirm** on Thursdays, March 14, 21, 28, April 4 at 7 p.m. Bible Study based on the Parables in the Gospel of Matthew.

The **2019 FLOWER CHART** is located outside the church office. Sign up and share with your Church the joy of an anniversary, a special occasion, or memorialize someone important to you! (Most Sundays in March and April are available...)



Check out our **HPC WEB PAGE** at www.hillsboroughpres.org – click on any event on our calendar page for details! You will also find the monthly newsletter and the weekly bulletin posted on this webpage! A great way to keep up with what's happening at HPC!

In an emergency or to share a concern, please contact the church office, 919-732-3131, or marguerite@hillsboroughpres.org

THIS SUNDAY: March 10
Lectionary Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16;
Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

Mon 11:00 AM Circle #1 (#204)
Wed – 6:00 PM Youth Group (O'Connor family provides meal)
6:30 PM Christian Education meeting (#222)
Thu – 7:00 PM HPC Choir Rehearsal (#201)
Fri – 6:00 PM "Finish it Friday" – Sewing/Craft (Strudwick Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY: March 17
Lectionary Readings: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27;
Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

9:45 AM Sunday School – for all ages!
9:45 AM Children's Nursery
9:45 AM Joyful Noise rehearsal (#221)
11:00 AM Traditional Worship
(Children's Worship Bags in the narthex - coloring pages, stories, etc.)
12:15 PM Young Parents Group (HPC Kitchen)
12:15 PM Session Meeting (Strudwick Hall)

Volunteers:
Liturgist: Linda Jaubert
Children's Sermon: TBD
Acolyte: Ellie Clay
Flowers: Linda Jaubert
Nursery: Karoline Mathewson
Youth Meal (3/20): Sara Clay
Greeters: Bernie and Alice Nord