



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2014

*Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the bells call us to worship.  
Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Lord God, Great I Am,  
you are living water.  
As we worship you this day  
show us who we are:  
channels of your love  
and vessels of your grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Allegro from Sonata in C major, K. 545* W. A. Mozart

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**We shall come into your presence with thanksgiving  
and make a joyful noise unto you with our songs of praise!**

O come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the Lord our Maker!

**For we are your people, the flock that you shepherd.**

**We will know of your power as we listen for your voice!**

Let us worship God!

\*SONG OF PRAISE *Come, Worship God* 386  
(Psalm 95)

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Lord, you know who we are.**

**You know everything we have done.**

**We thirst for things that will never satisfy us.**

**We commit ourselves to things that will never last.**

**We worship things that will never bring salvation.**

**Still, you offer us the gift of living water.**

**Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.**

**Forgive us, O Lord,**

**and give us this living water,**

**so that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

*Glory Be to the Father*

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17:1-7

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

John 4:5-42

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ANTHEM

*Woman in the Night*

MESSAGE	<i>Water for Life</i>	Tracy L. Evans
SONG OF FAITH	<i>I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say</i>	182
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS		
Response: ... Wellspring of mercy, <b>hear our prayer.</b>		
The Lord's Prayer		Hymnal, p. 35
THE OFFERING		
OFFERTORY	<i>I've Got Peace Like a River</i>	Charles Callahan
*DOXOLOGY	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	606
DEDICATION PRAYER		

### **FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

*SENDING SONG	<i>I've Got Peace Like a River</i>	623
*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD		
*BLESSING AND CHARGE		
CHORAL BENEDICTION	<i>Go, My Children, with My Blessing</i>	
*POSTLUDE	<i>Allegro maestoso &amp; Fugue</i>	Felix. Mendelssohn
	from the Sonata in C minor, Op. 65, no. 2	

\*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for March 30: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

**The Urban Mission item** of the month for March is **canned fruit**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Hearing-assistance devices** and **large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.

**Ushers** for today's service are Larry and Lisa Upton.

A big **thank you** to the many volunteers who helped host the community Lenten worship and lunch on Wednesday. Many, many hands helped make it a success. Special thanks to Michael & Janann Yeager, Donna Vint, and Loreen Upton.

The Norman Ministerial Fellowship **Lenten worship series** continues this Wednesday at Alameda Church of Christ. Rev. Dr. Bob Rice, pastor of First Presbyterian (Norman), will preach. The service begins at noon, and is followed by an optional \$5.00 lunch.

The Indian Nations Presbytery is organizing an outing at the **RedHawks game** on Sunday, April 27, at 2:05 P.M. Today is the last chance to reserve your tickets. The tickets cost \$12.00 each—use the sign-up sheet in the hallway or contact the office. Payment should be made to Memorial.

**Parents Helping Parents** will meet on Thursday, March 27 at 7:00 P.M. at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, located at 901 North Porter in Norman. The guest speaker is owner-operator of Van's House, a sober living environment for adult men and women who are in recovery from drug/alcohol addiction. He will discuss how parents can set healthy boundaries with adult children who are struggling with substance abuse issues. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: [www.ParentsHelpingParents.info](http://www.ParentsHelpingParents.info).

**SUNDAY****March 23**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 5:00 P.M. – M.Y. Group
- 7:00 P.M. – Lenten Study at First Presbyterian

**WEDNESDAY****March 26**

- 12:00 P.M. – Lenten Service at Alameda Church of Christ
- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir

**THURSDAY****March 27**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library
- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

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