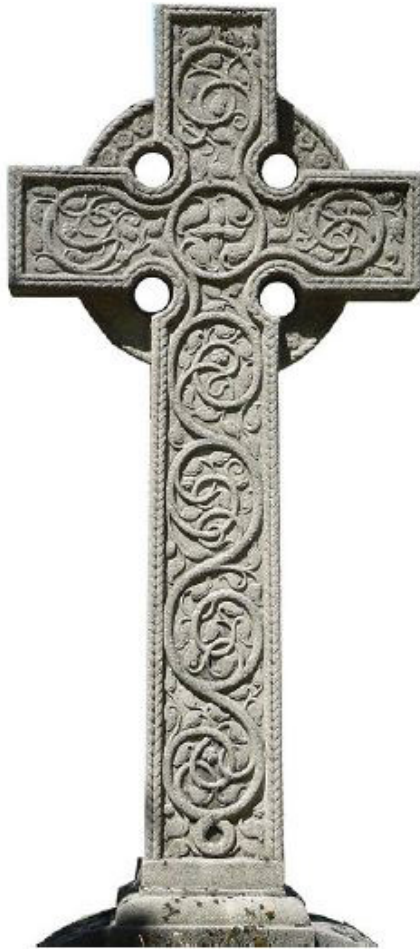




FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

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Service for the Lord's Day

Sunday, February 17, 2019

## Visiting?

- **Welcome** to First Presbyterian Church! Whether you're visiting from out of town or new to the area, we are glad you are here.
- If you have any **questions** about our church, please ask our greeters and ushers (the folks who handed you a bulletin), or visit our website [www.firstpresdalton.org](http://www.firstpresdalton.org).
- If you would like to know more about our church, fill out a **Let's Get Acquainted** card and place it in the offering plate during worship.
- **Childcare** is available for children (infant-3) in the nursery (Room 109) from 9:15-11:45 a.m.. Preschool-aged children (3-7) meet in the Joy Makers class during the Sunday School hour (Room 201). During worship we welcome children from this age group to come forward for the Children's Message and then return to their classroom for Worship and Play. All children are welcome to stay throughout worship. In order for our staff and volunteers to care for your children, please fill out a children's ministry sticker for you and your child. Stickers are in the narthex, the Commons, or the nursery.

## How to Connect

- Come to worship—we're here every week!
- Fill out a Let's Get Acquainted card and place it in the offering plate to receive information about the church.
- Ask to join our newsletter list (signup available through the website) to keep up with church events.
- Contact the office to join a Dinner Group and meet new friends outside the church.
- Have a meal on us immediately following worship on the second Sunday of the month.
- Visit concerts, lectures, and other events hosted by the church.
- Ask about upcoming mission or fellowship opportunities.
- Come to church early and visit Sunday School (9:15 a.m. every Sunday).
- Join the church! (Indicate you would like to join on a Let's Get Acquainted Card or speak with the Pastor following worship.)
- Find the most current contact information on our members in the church directory. It can be found on our website ([www.firstpresdalton.org](http://www.firstpresdalton.org)) under the fellowship tab. The password is **firstpres1847**.

## Wi-Fi



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church. There are two options available: First Pres Guest 2.4 and First Pres Guest 5. Although these will connect to the same network, 2.4 has more strength while 5 has more range. The location of the device will influence which one will automatically connect. The password for the guest network is **johncalvin**

## Announcements

- Please welcome today's guest minister, **Rev. Robin Gantz**. Rev. Gantz is a retired Presbyterian minister from Canton, GA. A graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA., she served as pediatric oncology chaplain at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, Atlanta, as associate pastor at Roswell Presbyterian Church, Roswell, GA, and served multiple small churches in the Texas Panhandle after her retirement.
- The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, February 24, for the purpose of discussing the annual report.
- As a Reformed church, Presbyterians approach Lent as a time to become more committed to practicing their faith rather than "giving up" something. Rev. Will Scott will begin a special series at the Ash Wednesday service on March 6. The series will then continue during the Sunday School hour through Lent and into the season of Easter, meeting in Hollis Hall. See Midweek News for more info.

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2019

## PRELUDE

Prelude V, Op. 101

C.V. Stanford  
(1852-1924)

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE GREETING

*At the sound of the bells, please prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

## INTROIT

All That Hath Life and Breath

R. Clausen  
(b. 1953)

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed is the one who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**But his delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.**

He is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
that yields its fruit in its season,  
**and its leaf does not wither.**

**In all that he does, he prospers.**

Hilliard Jolly

## \*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Great God of justice and compassion, come to us to teach us how  
to love you and all your creation. Fill us with the redeeming love of  
Jesus Christ that we may become the new creation you intend us to  
be. Through the presence of the Holy Spirit, help us choose stillness  
now, that we might know you are our God.

## \*HYMN 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

*Lynns*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*(A time of silent prayer and meditation.)*

**O God, our hearts are tempted to be deceitful, and our ears are often  
tuned to the counsel of this world. We seek personal gain and  
pleasure more than the reign of your love. We ignore the needy,  
reject those different than us, overlook those that weep and mourn.**

## Introit:

*All that hath life and  
breath praise ye the Lord,  
shout to the Lord,  
alleluia! Alleluia, praise  
Him! Praise Him,  
Alleluia!*

The Call to Worship is  
from Psalm 1.

\*Where you see this  
notation, please rise in  
body or in spirit.

Heal us of the diseases that distort our perceptions and troubles our spirits. Create in us, we pray, a new heart, that we might rejoice in being your people once again. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

## KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

R. Proulx  
(1937-2010)



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;  
Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy;  
Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

## \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory Be to God the Father

*Regent Square*

**Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,**

**Glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one;**

**One in might and one in glory**

**While unending ages run.**

## THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### LITANY OF PARTING

Congregation: **God be with you there.**

Children: God be with you here.

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me!

William B. Bradbury

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;**

**Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 17: 5-10

NRSV

<sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals

and make mere flesh their strength,

*(At this point in the service, we invite pre-school-aged children to follow their teachers to the second floor elementary classroom in the Martin House for "Worship and Play.")*

whose hearts turn away from the Lord.  
6 They shall be like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see when relief comes.  
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

7 Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,  
whose trust is the Lord.  
8 They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.  
It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;  
in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

9 The heart is devious above all else;  
it is perverse—  
who can understand it?  
10 I the Lord test the mind  
and search the heart,  
to give to all according to their ways,  
according to the fruit of their doings.

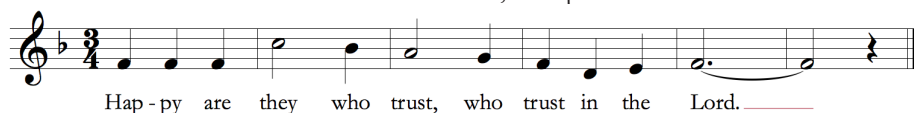
This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALTER

Psalms 1

Psalms for All Seasons

Choir introduces refrain, all repeat



## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 6: 17-26

NRSV

17 He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. 18 They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. 19 And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

20 Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

21 “Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

### Psalter:

(Refrain)

*Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.*

(Refrain)

*They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.*

*In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.*

*Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord matches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. (Refrain)*

## **Affirmation of Faith:**

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.

### **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.

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<sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

"How's Your Heart?"

Rev. Robin Gantz

## **\*HYMN 824**

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

*McAfee*

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

"Apostles' Creed"

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **THE OFFERING**

## **OFFERTORY**

Deep River

A. Parker/R. Shaw  
(b. 1925/1916-1999)

*Deep river, my home is over Jordan, deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into camp ground.*

*Oh, don't you want to go to the Gospel Feast, that Promised Land, where all is peace?*

## **\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

*Old 100th*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## **\*HYMN 450**

Be Thou My Vision

*Slane*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

**God be with you till we meet again;  
By His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.**

*Traditional*

**POSTLUDE**

Postlude on 'Rustington'

C. Callahan  
(b. 1951)

**Volunteer Schedule**

**Worship**

Date	Lay Readers	Ushers	Open/Close	Flowers	Sound Board	Deposit
2/17	Hilliard Jolly	Dave Robinson & TBD	Roger & Peggy Rollins	Mary Hubbs	Jeff Granillo	Bob Hubbs
2/24	Sally Burran	Bob Hubbs & Nathalie Sanders	Roy & Donna Cooper	Dave Robinson	Jeff Granillo	Bob Hubbs

**Children**

Date	Children's Church	Nursery (Asst.)	Joy Makers
2/17	Jeff & Leanna Granillo	Katie O'Gwin	Art
2/24	Alice Ensley & Mary Hubbs	Emma Lively	Movement

**Monthly**

Communion (March 3)		Congregational Care		Fourth Sunday Fellowship Refreshments
Prep	Scott DeLay	February	Jodi Johnson	Becky Jolly
Servers	Rev. Will Scott, Jeff Granillo, Robert & Rachel Smalley	March	Becky Jolly	Fran Lewis

**Upcoming Events**

**Monday, February 18**

Morning Prayers  
9:30 a.m.

Bible Study  
10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, February 19**

Grateful Heart AA Mtg  
8:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 20**

Saturday Sacks  
11:00 a.m.  
Missions Team Meeting  
5:45 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00 a.m.

**Sunday, February 24**

Sunday School  
9:15 a.m.  
Fellowship  
10:00 a.m.  
Worship  
10:30 a.m.  
Annual Congregational Mtg  
11:30 a.m.  
Session Meeting  
11:45 a.m.

**Monday, February 25**

Morning Prayers  
9:30 a.m.  
Bible Study  
10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, February 26**

Grateful Heart AA Mtg  
8:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 27**

Choir Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Sunday, March 3**

Sunday School  
9:15 a.m.  
Fellowship  
10:00 a.m.  
Worship  
10:30 a.m.

## PRAYERS

For expectant mother, Katie Scott;  
For Charlie Carmichael, while he is being treated for throat cancer;  
For Kelly Allgood, as she undergoes treatment;  
For Greg George, as he undergoes treatment for kidney disease;  
For Carl Rollins, brother of Roger Rollins, as he stays at Dalton Place;  
For Rev. Susan Reggin, as she undergoes treatment for cancer;  
For First Presbyterian Church of Cohutta;  
For Sanford Dover;  
For Martha Patton, sister of Patricia Rivers, as she recovers from a stroke in Atlanta;  
For Dick Lowrey, whose Multiple Systems Atrophy is an atypical form of Parkinson's Disease;  
For Meccia Little, cousin of Jim and Susan Bisson, in her battle with brain cancer;  
For Johnnie Bakkum at Summit Place, Beaufort, South Carolina;  
For Natalie Raygor during her Master of Divinity program;  
For Sally Wester at home;  
For caregivers;  
For aging parents.



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