



Faith United
Presbyterian
Church
in Farmers Branch

*Glorify God, grow disciples, and
meet the needs of our neighbors.*



*You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! Psalm 22:23*

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Ain't That Good News*

FUPC Choir; Malcolm Payne, Soloist

Arr. Moses Hogan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 22

Leader: You who fear the Lord, praise the Lord!

People: **From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear the Lord.**

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before the Lord.

People: **Dominion belongs to the Lord, and the Lord rules over the nations.**

OPENING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

GTG 49

LEONI

CALL TO CONFESSION

We have been ransomed from the futile ways of sin with the precious blood of Christ. Through Christ our faith and hope are set in God who raised Christ from the dead. Therefore, let us confess our sin in repentance.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God who gives life, we hear the call to self-denial. Yet we trust in our own works rather than your grace. We hear the call to take up the cross. Yet rather than allow our selfishness and sin to be put to death, we cling to what we know. We hear the call to follow Jesus. Yet we fear where faith will lead and what it might change in our lives. Have mercy upon us, O God of steadfast love, for the "yet" of sin separates us from one another and from you. Speak grace into our lives anew this day, the grace that forgives, heals and shapes in the likeness of Christ; offer us the endurance to run the race of faith as we follow Jesus, through whom we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

People of God, around these waters of baptism hear the good news. God's covenant with us is true. God is faithful even when we stumble and fall short. God gives us the gift of faith and makes us righteous in Christ.

We believe in the good news that we are set free to live as children of God in the power of the Spirit!

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SOLO

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte

Katia Dinas, accompanist; Malcolm Payne, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 4:13-25

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Mark 8:31-38

SERMON

"Faith That Carries the Cross"

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

RESPONDING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Micah 6:8, *The Message*

But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple: Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously.

HYMN OF MEDITATION

Lift Every Voice and Sing

GTG 339

LIFT EVERY VOICE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you**

OFFERING

Offertory

Deep River

Arr. Moses Hogan

Katia Dinas, accompanist

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG 606

**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

**Glorious God, accept these offerings with the dedication of our lives, that we may be for the world
a sign of your abiding love and a testament to your enduring promise. In Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

HYMN OF DEDICATION

Guide My Feet (verses 1, 2, 3)

GTG 741

GUIDE MY FEET

CHARGE

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

BENEDICTION

Amen

GTG 558

COVID-19 Update! We continue to worship online. COVID-19 may change how we worship. BUT, it does not stop worship! We will keep you informed as best we can as we continue this journey. Remember, keep connected to each other through phone calls, emails, and texts! If you are aware of anyone who needs something, please let Pastor Ken know.

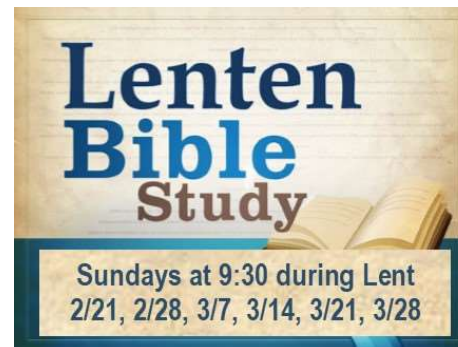
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Living the Faith in Troubling Times

2021 Lenten Study

Pastor Ken will lead a study on 1 Peter, which applies the principles of Christian conduct to a specific community living out the faith in troubling times. Therefore, this letter has something important to say about our engagement with our current troubling times. The relationship between Christian and culture is an overarching theme of 1 Peter. Pastor Ken will post a video each week during Lent on the church's Facebook page and YouTube channel on Saturday mornings.



Our thanks to musicians in worship!

David Pierce, Director of Music

Caroline Busselberg, vocals	Natasha Wroblewski, vocals
Mary Marxer, vocals	Jessica Stottlmyer, vocals
Patti Sloey, vocals	Shanae Kemp, vocals
Kyle Feather, vocals	Malcolm Payne, vocals
Jeremy Rohwer, vocals	Rich Lewis, vocals
Brian Hotchkiss, vocals	Katia Dinas, accompanist

PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz	Roger Jones
Dennis Van Deventer	Mike Jones
Kathie Heffler	Rev. Sungho Daniel Son

Homebound/Rehab: Freddie Simmons

The FUPC Staff is here for you!

Pastor Ken, Brenda Swindle, and David Pierce are in their "Work from Home" offices and ready to assist. Ken and Brenda are checking the mail box daily to receive your notes or checks. They are also receiving your emails and calls with any questions or concerns.

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1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
3 Your good - ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;

the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.

The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
Es - tab-lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:

we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!

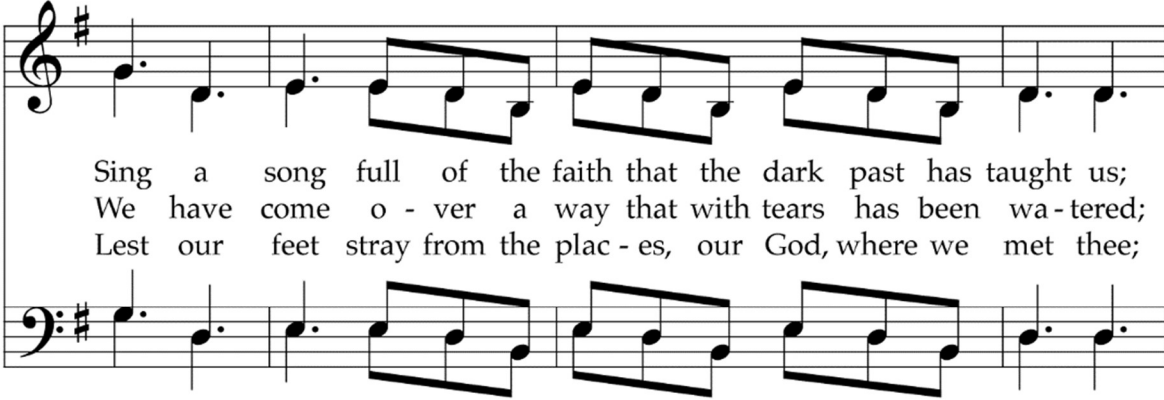
1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had
tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the

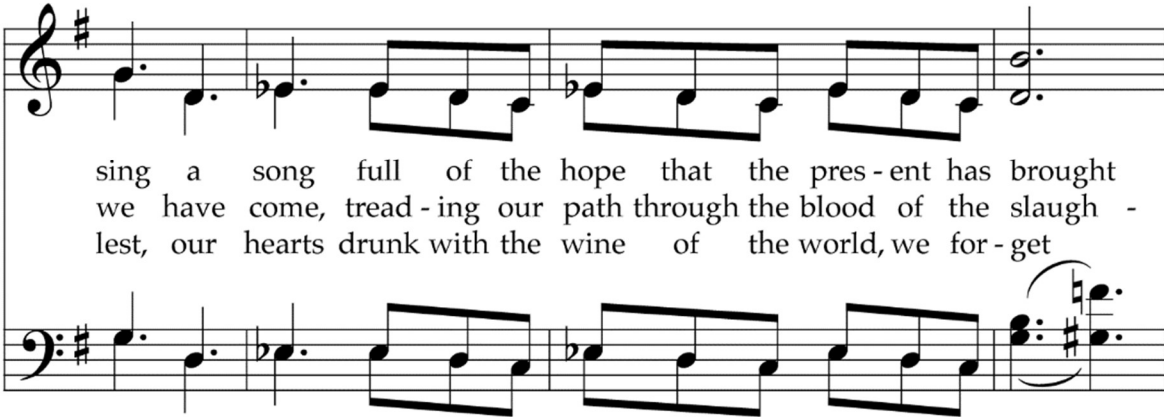
ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening
died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry
way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Lift Every Voice and Sing – Cont.



Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;



sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh -
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get



us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -
tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at
thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er



gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.
last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

2 Hold my hand ...
 3 Stand by me ...
 4 I'm your child ...

5 Search my heart ...
 6 Guide my feet ...