

Order of Worship

March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent



Prelude

Song of Peace, Broughton

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Psalm 130

One: Out of the depths we call to you, O Lord.

All: Let your ears hear our supplication.

One: We wait for you, O God. In your word is our hope.

All: We wait for you, O Lord, for with you there is mercy. Come. Let us worship God.

Hymn No. 308

O God in Whom All Life Begins

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Prayer Vigil

Minute for Stewardship

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God, we are a busy people. We become pre-occupied with the demands of work, our relationships, and our communities. We tend to focus on our own needs and fail to see the needs of those around us. We do that which we should not and fail to do that which we should. We ask for your forgiveness and for your guidance in following the path you have set before us. Hear us now as we humbly come before you silently and privately to confess our sin.

Moment for Silent Confession

Kyrie No. 555

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Gloria No. 166 v. 3

And through these days of penitence, and through this Passion-tide, yes, evermore, in life and death, O Lord, with us abide.

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Romans 8:6-11

Word to Grow By**Special Music***What Wondrous Love Is This*, Matthew Kincaid, soloist**Second Reading***Ezekiel 37:1-14***Sermon***Life-Giving Work*, Rev. Nick Reed**Hymn No. 286***Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (11:00)**Affirmation of Faith** (Unison)from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal p. 35

Offertory*Looking toward the Cross*, Smith (11:00)**Doxology** No. 606

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.

Prayer of Dedication**Communion**

(9:00)

Hymn No. 644*Give Thanks, O Christian People***Benediction****Postlude***Postlude on "Irish,"* Smith

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

New to the Presbyterian Church USA? We would love to share with you more about our Reformed tradition of theology and worship.

New to Auburn, or simply new to this congregation? We'd love to share with you more about the rich history of this church and its valuable contributions to the Auburn community.

Searching for a church home? We would love to join you in that search and help discern whether First Presbyterian may be where God is calling you to be nurtured, inspired, and empowered.

Please take a moment to fill out our [online Friendship Register](#) or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors