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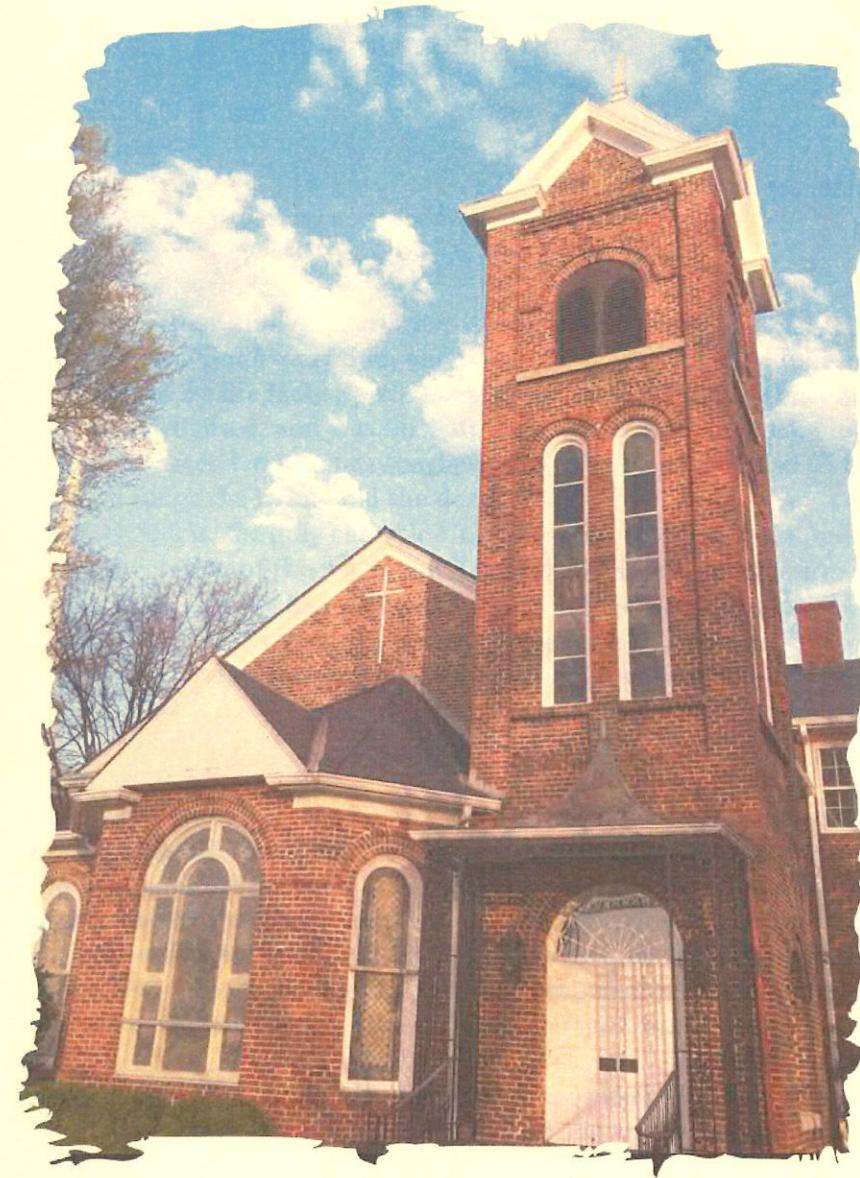
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What's Happening this Week			
Sunday	Mar. 1	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM	Christian Education Committee (fellowship hall) Sunday School Blended Worship (sanctuary) Covered Dish Lunch (fellowship hall)
Monday	Mar. 2	10:30 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	<i>ACTION</i> published PW Morning Circle (parlor) Women of the Word (fellowship hall) PW Evening Circle (Joyful classroom)
Tuesday	Mar. 3	7:15 AM 9:00 AM 1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Men's Breakfast (Cagney's) Women of the Word (fellowship hall) <i>ACTION</i> Folding Crew (fellowship hall) Boy Scouts (youth room)
Wednesday	Mar. 4	6:15 PM 7:00 PM	Welborn Handbell Choir (choir suite) Chancel Choir (shoir suite)
Thursday	Mar. 5	10:30 AM	Prayer Group (Prayer Room)
Friday	Mar. 6		<i>World Day of Prayer</i>
Saturday	Mar. 7	10:00 AM	PW Service Project (fellowship hall) Youth Rehearse (sanctuary)
Sunday	Mar. 8 <i>Youth Sunday</i>	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:00 PM	Sunday School Traditional Worship (sanctuary) Acts Alive, YD's

First Presbyterian Church

Lexington, North Carolina



Founded 33 AD
 Organized 1827



Blended Worship ❖ March 1, 2026 ❖ 11:00 AM
Second Sunday in Lent

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* Johann Krüger

The Passing of the Peace
One: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Choral Introit *Behold Our God*

*Call to Worship from Psalm 121
One: I lift my eyes and see, I need not be afraid.
All: **All my help comes from the Lord, who the earth and sky has made.**
One: The Lord will never sleep, always fixed is God's gaze.
All: **For the one who holds the night is the Sovereign of my days.**

*Hymn #485 *To God Be the Glory*

*Prayer of Confession
God of Mercy, we confess that it can be difficult to learn a new language. Even when we start young and hear it all the time, even when we grew up with the language of faith, it can be challenging. We hear it. We sing it. And we confess that we are still learning to speak it fluently. Holy Spirit, help us with this. Immerse us in this language so that we can receive and share this new life following Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Forgiveness Romans 4:24-25
We believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

*Response of Praise *Gloria Patri* Hymn #579
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Children's Moment

Scripture Reading *Genesis 12:1-4* Brinley Kiefer

Anthem *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* Nelson
Christina Carter, flute; Charles Parker, viola

Scripture Reading *John 3:1-10* Rev. Jon Martin
One: This is the word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Language Immersion Program* Rev. Jon Martin

*We Say What We Believe *The Apostles' Creed* (Ecumenical)
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen.**

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *All in a Garden Green* William Byrd

*Doxology Hymn #592
*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 Thanksgiving
We thank you for this offering, O God. With these gifts help us share life in Christ with our neighbor, build up Christ's body, and bind the wounds of a hurting world. Receive all of this in response to your loving care in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn (insert) *Lord, I Need You*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
The Invitation
The Great Thanksgiving
Sharing the Bread and the Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #269

O God of Bethel, By Whose Hands

*Benediction

*Choral Response

We Lift Our Voices

*Postlude

Postlude

John Stanley

* Let us rise in body or spirit.



Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Lexington! Whether this is your first time visiting or you are a longtime member, please know that you are always welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. If you would like more information about the congregation, please ask Pastor Jon. Information is also available in the lobby and narthex. It is a blessing to share this worship service with you.

We love children here at First Presbyterian and welcome them to our worship service. There are worship bags in the Kids' Corner in the lobby for younger children to pick up before the service.

We're glad you're visiting.
Can we connect with you?



Online Giving

Thank you for your gift!

GUEST MUSICIANS

We welcome today our guest musicians, Christina Carter and Charles Parker.

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT UNDERWAY

First Presbyterian Preschool is now enrolling returning students and their siblings, along with members of the church family for fall 2026. For more information, please contact Director Jane Blackerby at jblackerby@fpclxn.com.

CHURCH-WIDE RETREAT

We will return to Camp Walter Johnson in Denton for our church-wide retreat, April 17-19. Registration will be starting soon!

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

Midweek Bible Study will not meet this week. We are currently studying the book of *Daniel*, and will meet next on March 11.



SPRING SALE FOR LOCAL MISSIONS

Our spring chicken pie and baked spaghetti sale is happening now – and we have a new item! You now have the option to order chicken pot pie with vegetables, in either the large (9") size or a 4 count pack of small (5") pies. Your old favorites are also still available!

Orders are due March 15. Order forms are available in the lobby by the steps (look for the yellow poster). Pick up will be in the fellowship hall.

GRACE SUNDAY LUNCH SCHEDULE

FPC volunteers “stepping up” in faith to serve a hot meal at Grace Episcopal Church in March are:

- March 1 – Ken and Minta Vander Schaaf, Becky Klass
- March 8 – Jan Kiefer, Roy and Linda Rowe, Stella Gray Ormond
- March 15 – Bill Bryan, Ken and Kim White
- March 22 – Jim & JoAnn Hill, Karen Carrickhoff
- March 29 – Sheila Goff, Jim Black, Lynne Hobbs

YOUTH SUNDAY

Youth from our High School Sunday School Class will lead the worship service next Sunday, March 8. Their theme is *Our Path to Faith*, and they are excited to be able to share what they've learned with you! We will have a single service at 11 am with Sunday School at 10 am. This will be a special time in worship that you will not want to miss.

Daylight Saving Time begins that weekend, so please be sure to turn your clocks forward Saturday evening to ensure you are on time for the service.

DONATIONS FOR HOSPICE NEEDED

Our friends at Hospice have been so appreciative of our over-abundance of donations. Thank you for your generosity! Can we extend our generosity and change course? Let's collect travel-sized hand sanitizers, travel-sized toothpaste, toothbrushes, lip balms, and disposable razors (men's and ladies'). Thank you, Church, for always being on “stand by!”

FELLOWSHIP SURVEY

The Congregational Life/Fellowship Ministry Team wants to hear from you! If you have not already completed a survey and turned it in, please pick one up from the lobby, take a moment to fill it out, and return it to the box in the lobby. Thanks for your input!

Lord, I Need You

HYMNAL SCORE

Key of Eb · page 1 of 2

Chorus
Eb Ab/Eb Eb

1. Lord, I come, I con - fess. Bow-ing
2. Where sin runs deep, your grace is more. Where grace is

Cm7 Bb Ab Eb Ab/Eb

here, I find my rest. And with-out you, I fall a -
found is where you are. And where you are, Lord, I am

Eb Eb/Bb Bb Eb

- part. You're the one that guides my heart.
free. Ho - li - ness is Christ in me.

Chorus
Ebsus Eb Eb Ab/Eb Eb/Bb Bb Cm7 Ab Eb/Bb Bb

Lord, I need you, oh, I need you. Ev - 'ry hour I need you.

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Key of Eb · page 2 of 2

Eb/G Ab6 Eb/Bb Ab Eb/Bb Bb Eb

My one de-fense, my righ-teous-ness; oh God, how I need you.

Bridge
Ebsus Eb Ab Eb/G Bb Cm7 Cm Bb

So teach my song to rise to you when temp-ta-tion

Eb/G Ab Ab Eb/G Bb

comes my way. And when I can-not stand, I'll fall on

Cm7 Cm Bb Eb to Chorus

you. Je - sus, you're my hope and stay.