

First Presbyterian Church

5401 South Claiborne Avenue
New Orleans, La. 70125

April 9, 2017

Palm Passion Sunday
Communion Sunday



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11:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

WELCOME

*Please stand as you are able

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Hosanna in the highest!

*HYMN 197

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
Children processing with Palms

Ellacombe

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION, PARDON & ABSOLUTION

Liturgist: As we come to this time of Confession, let us remember these words from Matthew 11.
“Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” Let us rest in God’s mercy as we pray together our Prayer of Confession.

Congregation: God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Liturgist: May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet each other in the love & forgiveness of Christ; saying
“Peace be with you!” and responding “and also with you!”

*GLORIA PATRI (*GTG 300*)

They'll Know We Are Christians

**All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Je-sus, God's on-ly Son,
and all praise to the Spir-it, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.**

Hearing the Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM: "Hosanna! Hosanna!"

Caldara/Carpenter

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURES

Old Testament

Isaiah 50:4-9a (OT pg. 681)

Liturgist: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 21:1-11 (NT pg. 23)

Liturgist: The word of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Six Days"

Rev. Kathleen Crighton

*HYMN 514

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Schmuke Dich Lmd

Sharing the Word with the World

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Avery and Marsh

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow;

Praise God, all crea-tures here be-low;

Praise God a-bove, ye heaven-ly host;

Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

A-men (*sing 7 times*)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy
to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe...

People: (singing):

Schumann

Holy, holy, holy! Holy is the Lord.

Holy, holy, holy! Holy is the Lord.

Holy is the Father, Holy is the Son,

Holy is the Spirit, Blessed Three in One.

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty,
and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.
He was born to dwell among us,
full of grace and truth;
in him we have seen your glory...

**People: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
redeemed by his blood...

The Apostles' Creed (pg. 35 *Glory to God hymnal*)

The Lord's Prayer

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Lead us, O God, in the way of Christ. Give us courage to take up our cross and, in full reliance on your grace, to follow him. Help us to love you above all else and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves, demonstrating that love in deed and word in the power of your Spirit. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory. Amen.

*HYMN 198

“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!”

St. Drostane

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (GTG #748)

Tallis Canon

"Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev-ery com-ing day, that in your Spir-it strong and true our lives may be our gift to you."

PASTORS/SPEAKERS

April 9 (*Palm Sunday*) Rev. Kathy Crighton
April 16 (*Easter Sunday*) Rev. Crawford Brubaker
April 23 Rev. Crawford Brubaker
April 30 Hymn Sing

LITURGISTS

deacon, Carrie Fisher
deacon, Justin Wood

Please fill out the Easter lily envelope inside of your bulletin and put in the offering plate. The lilies will be placed in the church on Easter Sunday.



WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are a visitor or guest please sign the visitor/guest register which is located in the Narthex and sign the guest/visitors card located in your bulletin and put in the offering plate.

We welcome you to historic, progressive First Presbyterian Church this morning! Here are a few things to get you up to speed.

- A bathroom is available (with a changing table) at the back of the church in the left hand alcove as you face the entrance doors.
- We take the passing of the peace near the beginning of the service seriously, so don't be surprised if you get offered hugs!
- Please plan to stay after worship for a few minutes to share refreshments at the back of the church; it's an extension of our understanding of communion and a chance to share God's hospitality.
- We are the only full "More Light Congregation" in New Orleans which means we welcome not only the membership, but the leadership and talents of all genders, abilities, races, and sexual orientations.

EQUALITY



FOR ALL



We appreciate the spiritual and financial support your attendance brings. You may put cash or a check in the offering plate that will be passed towards the end of the service, or give using your smartphone to scan this code--->

- Even if you are just visiting the city, we want you to feel welcome in our community and to involve yourself in the life of this place. Please sign the visitor book in the vestibule before you go and like us on Facebook at facebook.com/fpcno and follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/fpcno! We also have a Yahoo Group (go to www.fpcno.org and click on the Yahoo Group connection) that will keep you up to date on all the fun activities and service opportunities with the church.

WHAT'S UP?

Don't forget to check out the updated First Presbyterian Church website www.fpcno.org to catch up on breaking church news, events and links to the wider world of mission! Also, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!

Come join one of the Book Groups

The book reading and discussion will be:

America's Original Sin

“Racism, White Privilege and the Bridge to a New America”

The readings will last for 6 weeks and there are four groups you can join.

Bruce's group will meet during the adult Sunday School @ 9:30am.

Wayne's group will meet on Sundays @ 12:30pm in the session room.

Hoy's group will meet on Tuesdays @ 7pm in room 207.

Tracy's group will meet on Wednesdays @ 6pm in room 207.

APRIL SCHEDULE MEETINGS/EVENTS AT FPCNO

Monday, April 10, 7pm – Square Dancing. (All are Welcome to Come dance and meet new friends).

Saturday, April 29, 12pm – 7pm – “Big Easy” AA Group special meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

WEEKLY EVENTS AT FPCNO

Sunday	9:30am	Adult Bible Study	Session room
	10:15am	Children's Sunday School	Room 207
	11am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
	12:30pm	(America's Original Sin) <i>(Wayne Lee book reading and discussion group)</i>	Session room
	6pm-9pm	Cuban Salsa <i>(Bookoo Rueda all are welcome)</i>	Fellowship Hall
Monday	1pm-3pm	Program of Hope Setup	Sanctuary
Tuesday	7pm-9pm	(America's Original Sin) <i>(Hoy Hughes book reading and discussion group)</i>	Room 207
	7pm-10pm	“Big Easy” AA Group <i>(Anyone needing guidance is welcome to come)</i>	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	9am-10:30am	Program of Hope <i>(worship, and outreach to less fortunate, all are welcome to volunteer or seek help)</i>	Sanctuary
	7pm-9pm	(America's Original Sin) <i>(Tracy Rene' book reading and discussion group)</i>	Room 207
Thursday	6pm-7pm	Meditation Service	Session room
	6pm-8:30pm	Metropolitan Church	Fellowship Hall
Friday	8pm-11pm	Tango dancing	Fellowship Hall



Prayer List

Please keep this list with you
this week and pray for...

Healing Prayers for:

Linda Robertson sister – had a fall and hit her head on the concrete floor. She was taken to a hospital in Lafayette (from Jennings) and is under the care of a neurosurgeon. She bruised her brain and is under observation for a few days.

Diane Kleinfeldt – Diane is in recovery from leg surgery at Chateau De Notre Dame. She would love to have visitor's come and spend some time with her.

Mina Crais – Mina is having various health problems. She is at home and hopes to be in church on Easter Sunday.

Joyce Kleinfeldt – She was in a minor car accident recently. She is doing fine.

The family of Karla Cotez – who is the academic advisor for Delgado's Business Division. She has lost her 16 year old son after battling a severe acute illness.

Peter and Louanne – many of their friends are stricken with cancer.

Don Robertson – brother of Bruce Robertson has COPD and having many difficulties. He is on oxygen constantly, has very little strength, uses a walker around house, but doesn't move around much. Must use a wheelchair if he goes out, but must be pushed.

Graham Parker - a friend of both Randy and Lamar, who was diagnosed with gall bladder cancer.

Hoy Hughes **Dad** - was in a coma, he came out of it but with residual effects. He is almost deaf. As a result of this he doesn't have many friends and doesn't get out much. Besides Hoy's dad illness his dog died. Please pray for Hoy's dad and the Hughes family.

Mark McLachlan the nephew of May and Larry Ball who is dealing with cancer issues.

Margaret Maier – a longtime member and sister of Eleanor Maier, was in a car accident and suffered 4 broken ribs. Margaret is home and doing much better. She is still skeptical about driving.

K.C Carmichael - is getting better at home. Keep her in your prayers for God's healing.

Nancy Mann – Carolyn Graetz's cousin, had surgery for ovarian cancer.

Arthur and Etta Myers – Arthur had cancer related surgery. His wife Etta is suffering from health issues and being the caregiver for her husband.



**Our Homebound members and friends.
Please visit them and remember them in Prayer.**

Mary Knight

K.C. Carmichael

Gloria Boling (Randy Boling's mom)

Adrian (Tudy) Manson

Joyce Kleinfeldt (Henry Kleinfeldt sister)

Prayers for the homeless

Many people come through the Program of Hope for guidance and help.
Please keep them in your prayers.





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