

First Presbyterian Church

1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240

7th Sunday after Epiphany

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Child-friendly Family Worship — Sanctuary - 10:00 a.m.

February 24, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

***Please stand if you are able.**

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Welcome to WaumbaLand!

We are so glad you are here.

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Our WaumbaLand service is on the screen.

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Welcome to WaumbaLand!

God Makes Your Spirit Grow!

Waumba!

He's the King

God Makes Your Spirit Grow!

Waumba!

Into the Bible!

Jesus Tells the Story of the Sower!

God Makes Your Spirit Grow!

Waumba!

It's Time to go Into WaumbaLand!

The Giving Plate

Give It Away!

Classic Worship — Sanctuary - 11:00 A.M.

Welcome!
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February 24, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

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WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION

PRELUDE – *Savior, Again to Your Dear Name* arr. Robert A. Hobby

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN** – *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* # 482

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS Adapted from John V. Taylor, 1914-2001

**O living God, we, who are partly living, scarcely hoping, and fitfully caring,
pray to you now to make us fully alive. Give us the vitality, awareness and
commitment that we see in Jesus Christ through the power of his death
and resurrection. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

A TIME OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***AMAZING GRACE (# 280, verses 3 & 4)**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures**

ANTHEM – *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* Tom Fettke
Westminster Choir

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

SCRIPTURE READING – **Ephesians 3:16-19** (New Testament, Page 193 in pew Bible)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Kennedy M. McGowan

The Steps Toward Abundance
Connecting to Abundance

THIS WE BELIEVE - (IN UNISON) Philippians 4:6-7, NRSV

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT – What a Friend We Have in Jesus** # 403

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

(Visitors, in the pew rack you will find a Guest Information card. Please complete the card, then place it in the offering plate.)

Offertory Anthem – My God Is So High arr. Uzee Brown, Jr.
Olu Dare, soloist

***THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE – DOXOLOGY (#592)**

**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.**

***OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison)** . . . Adapted from Michael Perry, Pastor and Hymn Writer

Jesus, Son of God, let your love shine through our eyes, your Spirit inspire our words, your wisdom fill our minds, your mercy control our hands, your will capture our hearts, your joy pervade our being; until we are changed into your likeness from glory to glory. In Your name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN – Great Is Thy Faithfulness** # 276

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Congregational Response:

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd’s care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

***POSTLUDE – Grand Triumphal Chorus** Alexander Guilmant

Visitors, following worship, please join us on the patio for refreshments.

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Lay Reader – Barbara Benoit

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The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Ted & Kathy Meyer
in honor of their family.

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A service celebrating the life of Carl Hanna will be held
in our sanctuary Saturday, March 2nd at 1:00 p.m.

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Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

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WELCOME VISITORS!

It is our hope that you will encounter God as you worship with us. First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to families, peacemaking, and mission. There are educational offerings for all ages, as well as fellowship groups for members and friends of the church. All are welcome. For information, visit us at our **web site at: fpcoh.org**

CHILD CARE for infants is provided in the nursery, located in the Lobby of the church. Children's worship kits are also available for younger children. Please ask an usher for assistance. Our children's Sunday school, *WaumbaLand*, gathers at 10am in the sanctuary (September through May). **FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**, in the lobby we have large print hymnals and a limited number of pew cushions available.

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— OPPORTUNITIES —

The bulletin announcements serve as reminders of church activities.

Please check our website: fpcoh.org

for the monthly newsletter and church calendar; and

our Facebook page: facebook.com/fpcoh/

Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

BOARD OF DEACONS —

Share-A-Meal — March 2nd, 11:00 a.m., church kitchen

CHILDREN AND YOUTH —

- WaumbaLand** — (Sunday school for ages 4-10), 10:00 a.m., sanctuary/chapel
- Boy Scout Troop 420, February 26th**, 7:00 p.m., 2nd floor of Education Building
- Learning Center chapel — February 27th**, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
- Early Learning Center chapel — February 27th**, 11:00 a.m., West Wing
- After Care chapel — March 1st**, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP —

- A Time of Prayer**, in the chapel
- Monday, February 25th**: 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Friday, March 1st**: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

MEETINGS —

- Staff meeting – February 25th**, Noon, Church Office
- Team of Chairs – February 25th**, 6:00 p.m., Chapel
- Session – February 25th**, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

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LOOKING AHEAD.....

- Ash Wednesday Worship Service — March 6th, 7:00 p.m.**
- Daylight Saving Time begins — March 10th**
- BOLD Justice Rally Day — March 12th**

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KENNEDY’S SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Here are the unscheduled times this week where I am available for y’all to come by for a visit!

Sunday

WaumbaLand, worship, blog posting and audio editing take up the day.

Monday — 10:30 to 11:30 and 2 to 5 PM

(staff meeting takes up the middle of the day)

Tuesday – 10:45 to 11:30 and 1:30 to 4 PM

(Rotary and Preschool Walkaround takes up the rest of the day.)

Wednesday – 1 to 5 PM

(preschool chapels and lunch take up the morning)

Friday - 10 to 12

(the rest of the day is taken up with sermon writing and WaumbaLand preparation.)

Please try to call beforehand so I can put the kettle on, and to make sure that the schedule hasn’t unexpectedly changed for a hospital visit or some other concern.

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 24

Bell Choir rehearsal	9:30 a.m.
WaumbaLand – Sanctuary / Chapel	10:00 a.m.
WaumbaLand Worship – Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Westminster Choir rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
Worship – Sanctuary	11:00 a.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Monday, February 25

A Time of Prayer – Chapel	9:00 a.m. – Noon
Staff Meeting — Church Office	Noon
Team of Chairs — Chapel	6:00 p.m.
Session — Chapel	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 26

Boy Scout Troop 420 - 2 nd floor of Education Building	7:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, February 27

Learning Center Chapel - Sanctuary	10:30 a.m.
Early Learning Center - Chapel	11:00 a.m.

Thursday, February 28

Word of God Bible Church – Chapel	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
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Friday, March 1

A Time of Prayer	9a.m. - Noon
After Care Chapel - Sanctuary	4:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 2

Christ Jesus College and Seminary – Sanctuary & Chapel	8:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Share-A-Meal — Church Kitchen	11:00 a.m.
A Service of Remembrance for Carl Hanna – Sanctuary	1:00 p.m.
Reception in Rice Room	following the funeral

Sunday, March 3

Bell Choir rehearsal	9:30 a.m.
WaumbaLand – Sanctuary / Chapel	10:00 a.m.
WaumbaLand Worship – Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Westminster Choir rehearsal	10:00 a.m.
Worship – Communion - Sanctuary	11:00 a.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

A WORD FROM KENNEDY

ANNOUNCING THE 2019 LENTEN FILM SERIES LINE UP

Each year during Lent, after beginning with our Ash Wednesday service, we continue with a series of films **every Wednesday at 7 PM in the Chapel** which reflect in thoughtful and often provocative ways on living out and struggling with the Gospel in our day-to-day lives. Here is the line-up for our Wednesday night film series during Lent:

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP — March 6th, 7:00 pm

First Reformed on March 13th –

The minister of a small congregation in upstate New York grapples with mounting despair brought on by tragedy, worldly concerns and a tormented past. One of the most acclaimed films of 2018, this film received a 93% rating on Rotten Tomatoes, the film review site. Called an “an amazing examination of faith” (Arizona Republic), and one of the strongest pictures of 2018 by the Chicago Tribune, this film will challenge you and stay with you long after you’ve seen it.

Silence on March 20th –

Two 17th-century Jesuit priests travel from Portugal to Edo-era Japan via Macau to locate their missing mentor and spread Catholic Christianity. Based upon an acclaimed Japanese novel, and directed by one of American’s greatest filmmakers, Martin Scorsese, this 2017 film is a “thoughtful, emotional, resonant look at spirituality and human nature that stands among the director’s finest works.” (from the Rotten Tomatoes summary)

The Apostle on March 27th –

“Robert Duvall gives a tour de force performance as a zealous Pentecostal preacher hiding from his past while resurrecting the spirit of his adopted Louisiana bayou town. It's an all-Duvall show; he wrote it, directed it, produced it and even paid for it.” (Rotten Tomatoes- 90% rating)

Les Misérables on April 3rd –

In 19th-century France, ex-prisoner Jean Valjean, pursued for many years by ruthless policeman Javert, agrees to care for a factory worker's daughter, and along the way experiences redemption. This inspiring spectacle of a picture takes in the sweep and power of the novel by Victor Hugo, and his impassioned meditation on grace and justice. You will leave moved and inspired, and maybe even singing a bit!

Won't You Be My Neighbor on April 10th –

And I am purposely saving the best and most inspiring for last, the remarkable documentary on the life and witness of Rev. Fred Rogers, *Mr. Rogers*, a film that received a stunning 98% rating on Rotten Tomatoes, will move and touch you in ways that might very well bring you to tears. It's that good.

So please join us each Wednesday at 7 PM during Lent
for this opportunity for reflection and inspiration. We'll even have free snacks.

TWO DAYS WE NEED YOU TO STAND BOLD FOR JUSTICE

We are working with many other churches in Broward to bring changes to how well nursing homes care for our seniors, and how well our county helps those struggling with mental illness and addictions. Because you showed up in April 2018 to be part of that work, we successfully pushed the State Attorney's office to implement just in the last six months, a new program of surprise inspections of nursing homes in Broward called Operation Spot-Check. And that is only our most recent victory among so many others. But for changes to continue to happen for our seniors and other vulnerable populations, we need you to show up on two days, one in March and one in April. So please mark your calendars now and join us for these two days.

First, we need you to join us for **Rally Day, on Tuesday March 12 from 7:30 to 9 PM at Merrell United Methodist in Lauderdale Lakes**, where we join with the 21 other churches in Bold Justice to get prepared to meet our public officials and talk about the changes that we are asking them to implement in the life of our county.

Second and most importantly, we need you to join us for the **Nehemiah Action on Monday April 8th at St. David Catholic Church in Davie, FL**. There along with 1500 or so others, we will meet with our public officials and call them to move forward positive change in our county. And for that meeting, don't just come yourself, but invite others, friends, family members, neighbors, folks you know concerned about the challenges that the elder and the mentally ill face.

**Let's come together, in the name of Jesus, to make life better
for our neighbors, our communities, for the entire county of Broward!**

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**The wise person in the storm prays to God, not for safety from danger, but deliverance
from fear. It is storm within that endangers, not the storm without.**

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Prayer means turning to Reality

Evelyn Underhill

**Prayer is not a stratagem for occasional use, a refuge to resort to now and then.
It is rather like an established residence for the innermost self. All things have
a home; the bird has a nest, the fox has a hole, the bee has a hive.**

A soul without prayer is a soul without a home.

Abraham Joshua Heschel, Jewish Theologian

**The end of prayer is not to win concessions from Almighty Power,
but to have communion with Almighty Love.**

Percy C. Ainsworth, 19th C. Anglican Preacher

What we must avoid in intercession is praying for someone to be simply 'patched up.' We must pray that person through into contact with the very life of God.

Oswald Chambers, My Utmost for his Highest

....when we pray on behalf of another, we are creating a space for God to use that life as is most appropriate, according to God's light, not ours.....

We set God free to work his mysterious love in ways that we should not care to seek to know, if we are rightly focused on God.

Maggie Ross, Anglican Solitary

There is nothing that makes us love someone so much as praying for them.

William Law

Do not turn to prayer hoping to enjoy spiritual delights; rather come to prayer totally content to receive nothing or to receive great blessing from God's hand, whichever should be your heavenly Father's will for you at that time.

Madame Jeanne Guyon, 1648-1717

In prayer, we discover what we already have. You start from where you are and deepen what you already have, and you realize you are already there. We already have everything, but we don't know it and don't experience it. Everything has been already given to us in Christ. All we need is to experience what we already possess.

Thomas Merton, Monk