

First Presbyterian Church
1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Classic Worship Service — Sanctuary – 11:00 A.M.

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here.

February 16, 2020

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**Please stand if you are able.*

WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION

PRELUDE – Introduction John Stanley
(from *Suite for Organ*)

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN – Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!** # 138

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS from the Syrian liturgy of
St. Clement of Alexandria (150-215)

O God, you are the unsearchable abyss of peace, the ineffable sea of love, and the fountain of blessings. Water us with plenteous streams from the riches of your grace; and from the most sweet springs of your kindness, make us children of quietness and heirs of peace. In the name of the one who is the Prince of Peace we pray. Amen.

A TIME OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***Live Into Hope (#332, verse 4)**

Live into hope of captives freed From chains of fear or want or greed.

God now proclaims our full release To faith and hope and joy and peace.

Anthem - *The Gift of Love* Hal H. Hopson
Westminster Choir
Carolyn Smylie, soloist

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 5:8 (New Testament, Page 4 in pew Bible)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Kennedy M. McGowan

Avoiding the Blindside: Missing the Hits You Don't See Coming

Blindside Six – Burnout

THIS WE BELIEVE - (IN UNISON) Psalm 46, NRSV

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. “Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.” The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT – Open My Eyes That I May See** # 324

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 – Lord, I Want to Be a Christian Albin C. Whitworth

***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 David Adam**

**Circle us O God. Keep peace within. Keep turmoil out.
Circle us O God. Keep calm within. Keep storms without.
Circle us O God. Keep strength within. Keep weakness out.
In the blessed name of the God who surrounds us with love in every moment we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN – Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak # 426**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Choral Benediction: *Go Ye Now in Peace* Joyce Elaine Eilers

***POSTLUDE – Trumpet Voluntary John Stanley
(from Suite for Organ)**

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

Lay Reader – Louise Hardenburg

**The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Tom and Shari Parker
in memory of loved ones.**

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Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

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**A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Virginia Schoel will be held
in the sanctuary Saturday, February 22nd, 1:00 p.m.**

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WELCOME VISITORS!

It is our hope that you will feel invited, welcomed, and loved 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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The Church and Learning Centers' offices will be closed Monday, February 17th, for the Presidents' Day holiday.

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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.
Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org
text waumba 555888**

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**Next Sunday, February 23rd,
invite your friends to join us after worship, 1:00 pm "ish,"
at 3 Sons Brewing Company, 236 N. US 1 in Dania.
A great way to invite, welcome and love!
And, let your friends know — the first drink will be on us!**

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**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
February 26th, 7:00 p.m. in the chapel**

**LENTEN FILM SERIES
Begins March 4th, 7:00 p.m. in the chapel**

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH —

WaumbaLand — (Sunday school for ages 4-10), 10:00 a.m., sanctuary/chapel

God Loves You No Matter What!!

BOOK CLUB NEWS —

The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, February 19th, 7:00 p.m., in the chapel, with the next selection of the season: *Educated: a Memoir* by Tara Westover. The Group meets six times per year on the third Wednesday of the month. The selection for March 18th is *The Moment of Lift*, by Melinda Gates. Discussions are led by Ellen Yamrick, retired librarian.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW) —

Circle Leaders and PW officers will have a **planning meeting in the chapel on Tuesday, February 18th, 6:00 p.m.** Contact Kathryn Tyahla for information.

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DROP BY FOR COFFEE OR TEA WITH KENNEDY THIS WEEK

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

Monday – The office is closed for Presidents' Day

Tuesday – 9:30 to 11 AM

Wednesday – 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Friday – 10:00 AM to Noon

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 16

- Morning Glory Worship Service – Chapel 8:30 a.m.
- Bell Choir 9:30 a.m.
- WaumbaLand Worship – Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
- Westminster Choir 10:00 a.m.
- Bible Study – Sanctuary 10:20 a.m.
- Worship - Sanctuary 11:00 a.m.
- Bold Justice – Chapel 12:30 p.m.

Monday, February 17 – Presidents’ Day

Church and Learning Centers’ offices closed

Tuesday, February 18

- PW Circle Team Leaders – Chapel 6:00 p.m.
- Cub Scouts - Hollywood Central Elementary 6:30 p.m.
- Boy Scouts – 2nd floor of Education Building 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19

- Book Club – Chapel 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 22

- Memorial Service for Virginia Schoel – Chapel 1:00 p.m.

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- 3 Sons event – 236 N. US 1, Dania 1:00 p.m.

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Learn to be silent. Let your quiet mind listen and absorb.

Pythagoras, Mathematician and Philosopher

**Only in quiet waters things mirror themselves undistorted.
Only in a quiet mind is adequate perception of the world.**

Hans Margolius, Philosopher

**Happiness is a butterfly, which, when pursued, is always
just beyond your grasp, but which,
if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.**

Nathaniel Hawthorne, Writer

**The key is to move from being a victim of thoughts (the commenting,
chattering mind) to being their witness (the heart's stillness).**

Martin Laird, Theologian

Until we enter quietness, the world still lays hold of us.

Dallas Willard, Spirit of the Disciplines

**Quietude, which some people cannot abide because it reveals
their inward poverty, is as a palace of cedar to the wise, for along
its hallowed courts the King in his beauty deigns to walk.**

Charles Haddon Spurgeon, Preacher

A WORD FROM KENNEDY

TODAY, IT'S TIME TO INVITE, WELCOME AND LOVE FOR BOLD JUSTICE!

Join us today, after worship, for a 45-minute meeting in the chapel to get our congregation ready for Bold Justice's big action in April! We need you to be there!

Several years ago, we joined with about 20 other congregations to work together to make positive change in Broward County. As these congregations come from a wide variety of perspectives—from Catholics to Adventists to Baptists; from liberal to conservative theologically—we focus on issues that we can all unite on, and also more importantly where we can get something done.

In the past this has meant, moving our local law enforcement agencies to channel more minor youth offenders into diversion programs that help them get back on track, while at the same time avoid an arrest record; or it has meant the reinstating of spot inspections of problematic nursing homes by our state attorney's office. But even implementing these practical solutions requires us exerting some political muscle, and we do that by holding a large public meeting once a year where we gather 1,500 or more folks from all our congregations to petition our leaders to make these changes. And that effort has been remarkably successful, as that large a crowd makes a big impression upon our public officials. But getting 1,500 people in a room is not an easy task; that's why we need to meet with you today to bring you up-to-date on the issues we're proposing. Also, we would like to get your commitment to not only attend this big public action, which will be on April 2nd this year, but to get motivated to invite some friends. And that's where the invite, welcome and love comes in!

You may have neighbors who aren't church-goers — or even people of faith, but who want to see our community improve. That makes this event a great way to include them. We even have special invite cards that you can use to invite them! So, join us after worship in the chapel today and be part of our church's Bold Justice action team!

AND NEXT SUNDAY, JOIN US FOR 3 SONS SUNDAY!

February 23rd, we are hosting a special get-together after worship at **3 Sons Brewing, 236 North US1, Dania Beach**. (It's in the same shopping plaza as the souvenir shell shop that you see on the right hand side, heading north as you near the airport.) We'll even buy your first drink! But we don't just want you to come. We want you to invite someone! This is a big Invite, Welcome and Love event! So please join us next Sunday at 3 Sons! It's going to be a blast!

AND.....

**ON THAT DAY, YEZI AND DANIEL WILLIAMS WILL LAUNCH A NEW
SMALL GROUP MINISTRY, A LIFE GROUP. IF YOU WANT TO BUILD
DEEPER CONNECTIONS WITH GOD AND OTHERS THOROUGH THIS
LIFE GROUP, JUST TEXT THE WORD - WELCOMED TO 555888,
AND YOU'LL BE SIGNED UP!**

AND DON'T FORGET!

**THE LENTEN MOVIE SERIES IS COMING IN MARCH!
A NEW RECENT CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED MOVIE
EACH WEDNESDAY IN THE CHAPEL AT 7 PM!**

Here is the line-up for 2020:

March 4th: Harriett

March 11th: Just Mercy

March 18: Dark Waters

March 25th: The Two Popes

April 1st: A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood