

First Presbyterian Church  
Lake Charles

*5th Sunday in Lent*  
*March 17, 2024*

Welcome

**+ Call to Worship:**(Responsive) *Psalm 119:12-16*

Psa. 119:12 Blessed are you, O LORD;  
teach me your statutes.

**Psa. 119:13 With my lips I declare  
all the ordinances of your mouth.**

Psa. 119:14 I delight in the way of your  
decrees as much as in all riches.

**Psa. 119:15 I will meditate on your precepts,  
and fix my eyes on your ways.**

Psa. 119:16 I will delight in your statutes;  
**I will not forget your word.**

**+ Take up Your Cross, the Savior Said #393(PH)**

Take up your cross the Savior said  
If you would My disciple be  
Take up your cross with willing heart  
And humbly follow after Me

Take up your cross let not its weight  
Fill your weak spirit with alarm  
Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up  
And brace your heart and nerve your arm

Take up your cross heed not the shame  
And let your foolish heart be still  
The Lord for you accepted death  
Upon a cross on Calvary's hill

Take up your cross then in Christ's strength  
And calmly every danger brave  
It guides you to abundant life  
And leads to victory o'er the grave

**Prayer of Adoration & Confession**

***I Will Follow***

Kristene DiMarco

My heart is steadfast oh God  
And I won't be led astray by the things that  
Quickly will fade before Your face oh

**Chorus**

And I will follow You  
I wrapped up in You  
I belong to You

And I was made for this  
One thing is to see and to seek Your goodness  
Take me by the hand and lead me

**Bridge**

And I have decided and I have resolved  
That I will go anywhere  
Anywhere just to see Your face  
And I have decided and I have resolved  
That I will go anywhere anywhere  
Anywhere just to see Your face

Moments may come when I feel so afraid  
But I rest in the promises made that  
You will remain forever faithful

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture**

***John 18:15-27***

***Special Music:***

***"Here's My Heart, Lord"***

Bryce Louviere  
Chris Tomlin

**Message "Denial of Jesus"**

Willie Bellard

**+ Affirmation of Faith**

**Pg.#14(PH)**

***"The Apostles' Creed"***

**Time of Offering in Service and Prayer**

**+ *O Jesus, I have Promised***

**#389(PH)**

O Jesus I have promised  
To serve Thee to the end  
Be Thou forever near me  
My Master and my friend  
I shall not fear the battle  
If Thou art by my side  
Nor wander from the pathway  
If Thou wilt be my Guide

O let me feel Thee near me  
The world is ever near  
I see the sights that dazzle  
The tempting sounds I hear  
My foes are ever near me  
Around me and within  
But Jesus draw Thou nearer  
And shield my soul from sin

O let me hear Thee speaking  
In accents clear and still  
Above the storms of passion  
The murmurs of self will  
O speak to reassure me  
To hasten or control  
O speak and make me listen  
Thou guardian of my soul

O Jesus Thou hast promised  
To all who follow Thee  
That where Thou art in glory  
There shall Thy servant be  
And Jesus I have promised  
To serve Thee to the end  
O give me grace to follow  
My Master and my friend

### Charge and Dismissal

*We are so glad you joined us for worship  
today! Please come again!*

### Fellowship & Worship Opportunities

Prayer time each Sunday,  
10:30 a.m. - 10:45a.m.

Eddie Ausmus will lead prayer time  
in the large classroom.



PW's Bag Lunch & Bible Study,  
Wednesdays, March 27<sup>th</sup>  
Bag lunch@ Noon  
Bible Study @12:30pm

Opportunities for Lenten Study with Westminster  
What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?  
Sundays at 1:30 p.m. – Come one Sunday or all!

*\*Special Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing  
February 18 – March 31*

**Garden Expo with Mission Mart**  
**Friday and Saturday, March 22-23, from 9-5.**

Angie will need volunteers to help out  
To volunteer, email or call/text Angie at  
[angiedilmore@gmail.com](mailto:angiedilmore@gmail.com) or 412-398-4714.



**First Presbyterian Church of Welsh**  
Lenten Lunch & Bible Study @ 12pm  
**Monday-Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>**

**"The Upper Room", Maundy Thursday,**  
**March 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm**  
FPC will host St. Andrew



**FPC of Lake Charles will be joining**  
**Westminster Presbyterian Church**  
of Sulphur for **Easter Service,**  
**March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 11am**



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