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First Presbyterian CHURCH OF BARTOW

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Rev. Josh Roberts, Pastor

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MORNING WORSHIP

WELCOME

ACOLYTES

Kamryn Pawley and Jim Nunnallee

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

“This Is Amazing Grace”

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

This is amazing grace, This is unfailing love,
That You would take my place, That You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life, that I would be set free.
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me.

Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King of Glory.

Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy, worthy, worthy!

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“Gratitude”

All my words fall short; I got nothing new.
How could I express all my gratitude?

I could sing these songs, as I often do,
But every song must end and You never do.

So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again,
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah.

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And I know it's not much, but I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing, "hallelujah, hallelujah."

I've got one response, I've got just one move:
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You.

So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again,
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah.
And I know it's not much, but I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing, "hallelujah, hallelujah."

Come on, my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me.
Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs.
Get up and praise the Lord. (Repeat)

So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again,
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah.
And I know it's not much, but I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing, "hallelujah, hallelujah."

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HYMN #48

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning Our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee,
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; There is none beside Thee;
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

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***PRAYER**

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

After Children's Moment, children K-5th grade may be excused to Club Foundation

VIDEO

"The Seven Churches of Revelation: Thyatira"

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SERMON

Week 4 — *Thyatira: The Wayward Church*

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SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Revelation 2:18-29

PRAYER

CHORAL ANTHEM

“The Wayfaring Stranger”

arr.by Greg Gilpin

Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

***SONGS OF RESPONSE**

“Christ Be Magnified”

Were creation suddenly articulate with a thousand tongues to lift one cry,
Then from north to south and east to west, we'd hear, “Christ be magnified!”

Were the whole earth echoing His eminence, His name would burst from sea and sky.
From rivers to the mountain tops, we'd hear, “Christ be magnified!”

O Christ be magnified! Let His praise arise.
Christ be magnified in me.

O Christ be magnified! From the altar of my life,
Christ be magnified in me.

When ev'ry creature finds its inmost melody and ev'ry human heart its native cry,
O, then in one enraptured hymn of praise, we'll sing, “Christ be magnified!”

I won't bow to idols. I'll stand strong and worship You.
And if it puts me in the fire, I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too.

I won't be formed by feelings. I hold fast to what is true.
If the cross brings transformation, then I'll be crucified with You.

'Cause death is just the doorway into resurrection life.
If I join You in Your sufferings, then I'll join You when You rise.

And when You return in glory with all the angels and the saints,
My heart will still be singing. My song will be the same:

O Christ be magnified! Let His praise arise.
Christ be magnified in me.

O Christ be magnified! From the altar of my life,
Christ be magnified in me.

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“Good Good Father”

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like,
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night.
You tell me that You're pleased, and that I'm never alone.

You're a good, good Father; It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You; It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am.

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I've seen many searching for answers far and wide,
But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide.
Because You know just what we need before we say a word.

You're a good, good Father; It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You; It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am.

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways.
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.

Love so undeniable, I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable, I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still,
As You call me deeper still into love, love, love.

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***CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**

A SNAPSHOT OF THYATIRA

Thyatira was an uneventful city with very little mention in antiquity. This city did not share the glamour of Ephesus or Pergamum. Here are a few details as you consider Christ's letter to this church:

TRADE | Thyatira was a blue-collar, labor town that served as a trade city. It was built upon trades, guilds and crafts. In fact, trade guilds or unions served the area as the center of commerce. So John's description of Jesus' feet as "like burnished bronze" (Revelation 2:18) may have been familiar to a town with bronze guilds.

UNIONS | Trade unions dominated societal life. They had monthly meals and a strong pull on members. Plus, each union had a Greek god associated with it. Faithful worship was meant to ensure prosperity of the trade. Christians who refused to participate faced isolation and suffered economically.

THE APOLLO CULT | Thyatira housed a major cult of Apollo, the Greek god of the arts, the sun and prophecy. The emperor was linked to Apollo and was likely worshipped in the city as the human embodiment of Apollo.

THE CHURCH | Perhaps one of the first people from Thyatira to put their faith in Christ was a woman named Lydia, a seller of purple cloth. We read about her conversion in Acts 16:14 when the Apostle Paul visited Philippi (where she lived at the time) and he led her to the Lord.

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A Valentine's Day Event that's sure to be fun for **EVERYONE**

as Not-So-Newlywed couples see how much
they really know about each other!

February 19th - 5:30 p.m.

Bring your family and friends and join us in our
Fellowship Hall for dinner and fun!

No charge — donations are gratefully accepted

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP! — Let us know you're here! Sign the red fellowship pad located in each pew or in the Narthex. Or scan the QR code in the narthex or in the morning bulletin with the camera on your mobile device.

TAP OR CLICK →



HOW ABOUT A CUP OF COFFEE — Join with friends every Sunday before morning worship for a cup of coffee and connect with your church family. Coffee is served in the narthex of the sanctuary every Sunday morning before service.

INFO CENTER — After you get your coffee, stop by the **Info Center** in the narthex of our sanctuary for helpful brochures, handouts, service time cards or just to say hello! Our Hospitality Team Members are available to help provide more information or help you navigate our church campus. Look for the blue lanyards!

FLOWERS — The Flowers in the narthex are given by Marion & Sharon Wheeler to the glory of God and in memory of Eleanor Ceranic's birthday.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER — Reggie Arnold, Sharon Arnold, Mica Barrington, Laurie Benton, John Bianco, Wayne Blount, Tom Bolton, Margaret Boren, Dr. Bill Brown in China, Harriet Campbell, Wayne Canady, Dan Cooley, LeeAnne Deese, Deborah Draper, Hunter Dupree, John Dye, Grace Eckman & family, Cliff & Lena Ellis, Tiffany Fogleson, Kennah Orr Gervais, Kathy Grimes, Sarah Hallock, Dot Harris, Joyce Hatch, Brian Hinton, Travis Hoover, Matt Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Charlotte Jordan & sons Weston & Carson, Linda Keene, Andy Laurent, Fred & Sheila Lepley, Richard Lewis, Floyd & Myoko McLain, Connie Meeks, Ryan Moon, Bill Morgan, Frank & Monette Munroe, Karolyn Nunnallee, Riley Joy Osborn, David Patt, Willene Pawley, Bill Pendleton, Porter Reed, Caroline Schulz, Jack Schulz, Lisa Shenson, Curtis Smith, James Spoon, John Stansel, Trent Town, Debbie Turbe, Karen Vadala, Rich & Amy Till and family, Stephen Washington, Billy Whitaker, Glenda Wiggins, Serlie Williams, Beau Wilmoth, Gary Wilson, Our Pastor & his family, Our Elders, Our Children & Youth, Our Military & their families, Our Nation & Leaders, Our Community, and Our Church.

MORNING PRAYER PERSON — Ann Longboy



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Get to know your Family Ministry



Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 26th immediately following our Morning Worship Service to learn more about Family Ministry at FPC Bartow. Find out what we have to offer and how you can join a family ministry group. Lunch will be provided.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL Sunday mornings at 9 AM! We have classes for all ages,

† **The Disciple Class for adults** meets in the Fellowship Hall.

† **Seekers Class for adults** meets in the Parlor (west hallway in Fellowship Hall).

† **The Breakfast Club for Middle - High School Youth** meets in the kitchen to make breakfast, then move to the Fellowship Hall to eat and study together.

† **Faith Finders for 3rd - 5th graders**; East 4, upstairs; east side; Education Building.

† **Path Finders for K - 2nd graders**; East 2, upstairs; east side; Education Building.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP MONDAY AT 4 PM IN THE SANCTUARY — Join the group in person or via Zoom. The Zoom link, meeting ID and password to join are noted below:

Meeting ID: 912 609 0774 **Passcode:** 3ZAi6F

Link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9126090774?pwd=61dfXxjqGSesig1nGLJqAT4U0hSTui.1>



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ELDER NOMINATING COMMITTEE — Our 2023 Elder Nominating Committee members are Matt Heidel, Linda Munroe, and Rusty Music. They will be nominating five Covenant Partners (members) of First Presbyterian Church of Bartow for the office of Elder; 3 for the Class of 2026 and 2 to complete two unfulfilled terms in the Class of 2024. If you have any suggestions or recommendations for our committee, please contact them.

Matt Heidel: (863) 559-6574

Linda Munroe: (863) 944-1645

Rusty Music: (863) 440-2993

TUNE IN TO THE BONUS ROUND — FPC Bartow's weekly podcast airs Tuesdays at noon streaming live on our website. Go to fpcbartow.org and click **Watch Worship Live** at the top of the page. If you have questions about this week's sermon submit them to Josh@fpcbartow.org. Don't miss this fun & informative hour!

GROWTH WEDNESDAYS WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

- 5:30 - 6 p.m. — Supper served in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation - \$5 per person.
- 5:15 - 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Choir Room
- 5:30 - 7 p.m. — 101 Life Coaching with Deena Fussell; 10-15 minute appointments available; text (863) 327-5007 to make an appointment
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Pursuit Youth Student Ministry; Youth Room upstairs, West 6
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Wednesday Warriors Kids Ministry; followed by King's Kids Choir from 7-7:30 pm
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — The Chosen Small Group Study taught in the Sanctuary
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal; Choir room

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — 7:30 AM every Thursday at PalletOne Corporate Office, 6001 Foxtrot Ave., Bartow. All men are invited to come.

LADIES THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets each Thursday, 9:30 AM in the **Church Library**. All ladies of the church are invited to attend.

MANNA BAGS — Pursuit Youth Ministry has assembled Manna Bags. The bags contain personal care items such as shampoo, toothpaste, etc. as well as service times for our church and a Bible. The bags are for those less fortunate or homeless in our community. Take part in this evangelistic opportunity by taking a bag and giving it away to someone in need.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING — Thank you for your continued support of the mission & ministry of First Presbyterian Church! We have been truly blessed by the spirit of generosity in our church! Your gift helps us live out our mission of connecting every life to Jesus. Ways to give:

- at church - in person during **Worship Through Giving**
- by mail - P.O. Box 1412; Bartow, FL 33831
- online go to fpcbartow.org/give
- **text-to-give** - text **give2fpc** to **(863) 251-6080**



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