## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## Invitation to the Offering

OFFERTORY Just as I Am Jack Brooks

\*Doxology #607

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

—Sending—

\*HYMN #69 I, The Lord of Sea and Sky

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Come, Thou Almighty King Jack Brooks

You may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.

Debbi Ricci ......Administrative Assistant
Jack Brooks .........Guest Organist



Serving God,

Honoring Creation,

Embracing Differences



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, TX 4th Sunday in Lent March 30, 2025 (\*) Please rise in body or in spirit **Bold Italic Letters** indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

PRELUDE Rock of Ages Jack Brooks
WELCOME Liturgist: Kelly Weaver

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed, for You are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Bless us, O God, who praise You and do Your sacred work!

Bless You, O God, and all Your work in all places of Your providence!

\*HYMN #2

Come, Thou Almighty King

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all genuine love,

You encourage us to turn away from evil and hold fast to what is good.

We do not listen to this call,

listening instead to the calls of the world to take an eye for an eye or watch out only for ourselves, turning away from our neighbors who suffer.

Forgive us, O God and help us to practice solidarity in our being and doing, rejoicing with those who rejoice and weeping with those who weep, feeding the hungry and thirsty, and being present with one another through the joys and pains of living, overcoming evil with good. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

\*GLORIA PATRI #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

—Word—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Exodus 3:1-15 Bible p. 48, LG p. 62

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING** 

Romans 12:9-21

Bible p. 151-152, LG p. 197

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rejoice with Those Who Rejoice, Weep with Those Who Weep

Brendan McLean

-Response-

\*HYMN #724

O Jesus, I Have Promised

\*Affirmation of Faith (A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"