

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

All are welcome at Christ's table. The cup is offered as red wine, and white grape juice.  
You may place your empty cup in the baskets on the first pews.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**Come, Ye Sinners**

Jack Brooks

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Bless the Lord, O my soul; **and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**  
Bless the Lord, O my soul; **and forget not all God's benefits.**  
**Lead us, O God, to confirm this world to your kingdom of love, justice and peace.**  
**Help us to live as the Lord requires: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you, our God. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm.**  
**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.**

—Sending—

\*HYMN # 829

**My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**We Shall Overcome**

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**  
**2nd Sunday in Lent, Communion Sunday**  
**March 1, 2026**

— Gathering —

PRELUDE

**We Are Standing on Holy Ground**

Jack Brooks

WELCOME

Liturgist: John Hillin

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 121:1-2)

I lift up my eyes to the hills--  
**from where will my help come?**  
My help comes from the Lord,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

(\*) Please rise in body or in spirit

*Bold Italic Letters* indicate congregational response

\*HYMN# 408                      There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Gracious God, as we wander through the wilderness this Lent, we are aware of our need for your presence, your love, your guidance on life's journey. Forgive us for turning away from you. Forgive our doubt and uncertainty that led us to place our faith in worldly comforts that don't run deep enough and don't last. We come to your well this Lent desperate and thirsty for Christ's living water. Quench our thirst, we pray. Grant us your forgiveness and your grace. 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

Psalter:                                      Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;  
*O Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.*  
If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
*But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.*  
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope.  
*My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.*  
O Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.  
*He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 23:32-34

Bible p. 83, LG p. 108

The word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:21-35

Bible p. 19, LG p. 24-25

The word of God for the people of God.  
*Thanks be to God*

SERMON

Forgiveness

Rev. Steve Newton

—Response—

\*HYMN # 649

Amazing Grace

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Blessing and Honor

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

—THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER —

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*  
Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father who 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.*