

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 Near to the Heart of God 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 #81 Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

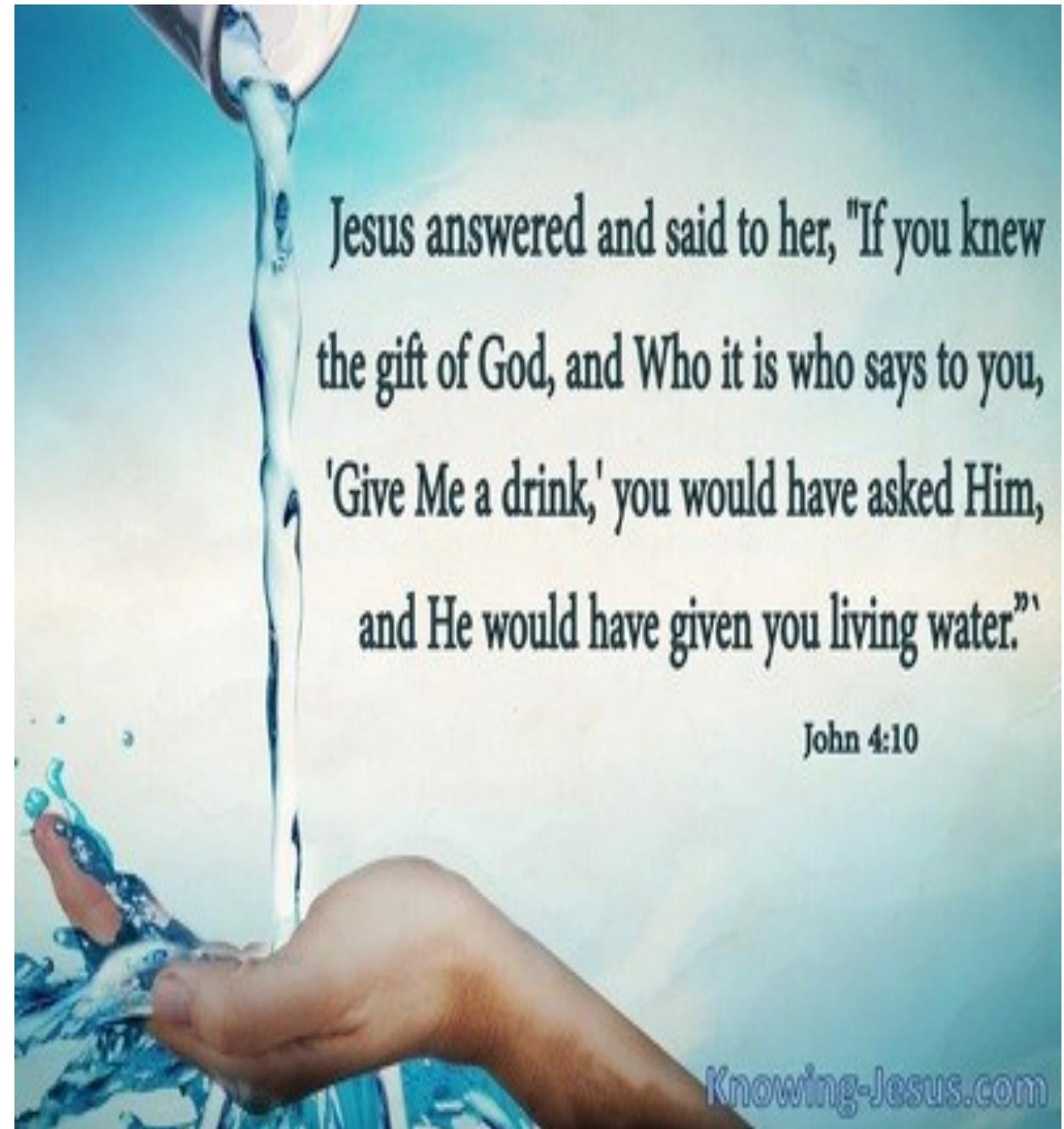
POSTLUDE O For a Closer Walk with God Jack Brooks

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



Debbi Ricci.....Administrative Assistant
Jack BrooksGuest Organist

*Serving God,
Honoring Creation,
Embracing Differences*



(*) Please rise in body or in spirit
Bold Italic Letters indicate congregational response

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, TX

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2026

—Gathering—

PRELUDE A Lyric Prelude Jack Brooks
WELCOME Liturgist: Jan Pennal

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God, and a great ruler above all gods. In God's hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are God's also.
The sea is the Lord's, for God made it, and the dry land, which God's hands have formed.
O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture, and the sheep of God's hand.

*HYMN# 719 Come, Labor On

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of endless renewal, God who calls us to lives restored, God who rescues the lost and saves the afflicted, there are times when our way grows confused. We struggle to know what to do. Or worse, we know what needs to be done and find it easier to stay on the wrong path. Forgive us for failing to heed opportunities to follow a better way. Remind us that you stand more ready to forgive than we are to confess those aspects of our lives that stand in need of your grace. And thus forgiven, help us to lean in to what you would teach us about how we are to be. We pray all these things in Jesus' name, and for his sake... Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:34)

Who is to condemn?
It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes who was raised, who is at the right hand of God who indeed intercedes for us.
Believe the promise of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*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 17:1-7 Bible p. 61, LG p. 79

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-11 Bible p. 145, LG p. 188-189
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING John 4:5-42 Bible p. 89-90, Lg p. 115-116
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON Conversation at a Well Jimmy Chapman

—Response—

*HYMN #65 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Excerpted from the Confession of 1967)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.