FIRST IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



August 11, 2024

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 11, 2024 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude Nun

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

(Come, Savior of the Heathens)

CHIMING THE HOUR

WHO WE ARE

Leader: We are called Christians but what does that mean? People: We are a welcoming community of disciples of Jesus

Christ continually demonstrating God's reign.

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 130

J.S. Bach

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you. Lord, hear my voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my

supplications!

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I

hope.

People: My soul waits for the Lord more than those

who watch for the morning.

Leader: With the Lord there is steadfast love. People: With the Lord is great power to redeem.

*HYMN No. 151 Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord of the Least, your Son, our Christ, calls us to stand with those at the back of the line, but we prefer the place of power and privilege at the front. We confess that we fail to follow where Christ leads, making excuses for ourselves, for our silence in the face of oppression, for our lack of action. Forgive us, God, when we grieve you, and grant us the courage to follow where Christ calls. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Although we may not always hear God, God hears

us. God hears our confessions and offers us forgiveness. Friends, believe the good news:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

^{*} Those who are able are invited to stand.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Walter Ehret

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, O that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him. Let the Amen sound from His people again, Gladly for aye we adore Him

SERMON Blueprint for Christian Living Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 316 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

*Affirmation of Faith

THE 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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Elevation

Gilbert M. Martin

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN No. 457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art TOULON

*Charge and Benediction

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*Postlude Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior Traditional

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Suanne Bone and Tim Leeper on August 10 in the sanctuary.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5^{th} - 12^{th} grade): Rev. Edington is teaching the Youth Sunday School Class.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

8:45 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Session Meeting

Monday

6:00 p.m. New Day Group

Tuesday

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Brown Bag

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Friday

Saturday

8:30 a.m. SAR Meeting

Class of 2024
Max Carter
Nancy Gebhardt
Mickey Stueck
Allen Vance

Class of 2025
W.P. Bone
Nancy Boyd
Jack Emmert
Frank Reeves

SESSION

Class of 2026
Carol Hill
Margaret Ann Trail

Class of 2024
Jonathan Bouton
Carol Turner

Van Turner Sandra Weatherford

DIACONATE

Class of 2025 Rachel Low Jim Stueck

Class of 2026 Melissa Cassetty Karen Hunter-Lowery Iim Murff

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell Treasurer – Jim Stueck Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance Christian Education - Nancy Gebhardt Congregational Care - Nancy Boyd Outreach - Margaret Ann Trail Personnel – Jack Emmert Worship – Mickey Stueck

STAFF

Ministers - All Members of the Congregation Pastor – Sherard Edington Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent NCC Worship Leader - Natalie Loader Preschool Director – Angela Hankins Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children

Adult

Elementary Class and Middle - High School Class

Crossroads Class Faith Builders Class

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