FIRST IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4, 2022

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE Lamentation Walker Baylor

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 90

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all

generations.

People: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Leader: You have set our iniquities before you,

our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

People: For all our days pass away under your wrath;

our years come to an end like a sigh.

Leader: Who considers the power of your anger?

Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

People: So teach us to count our days that we may gain a

wise heart.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: By the transforming power of God's Spirit we can

be changed. Friends, this is the good news of our

salvation:

People: Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

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

Lord, have mercy - mercy on us Christ, have mercy - mercy on us Lord, have mercy - mercy on us

*THE PEACE

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

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 10:12-13 Matthew 6: 12 and 22:34-40

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Christ, Upon the Mountain Stands ANTHEM Robert Lehman

Christ, upon the mountain stands, vision of the Father's blessing; blazing forth to all the lands, saints and angels now professing. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

Law and prophets have their place in the cloud of wondrous glory; chosen witnesses of grace, there to see and tell the story. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

God, in majesty, descents, then proclaims to all before him: This is my beloved Son! Nations, come now and adore him. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

Faithful hearts we lift on high, joyful strains, our voices raising for this vision's mystery, songs of wonder, hymns of praise. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines, Jesus in glory shines!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON

Being a Christ Follower Dr. John Crawford

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*Hymn No. 505 Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

ST. FLAVIAN

*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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Chorale

Cesar Franck

*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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

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.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. (repeat)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN No. 341 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE

*Charge and Benediction

*CHORAL RESPONSE

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

SAVE THE DATE!

The **Annual Church Picnic** will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m. at Don Fox Community Park.

WE WELCOME THE REVEREND DR. JOHN CRAWFORD to our pulpit today. Dr. Crawford received his Master of Divinity Degree from Vanderbilt Divinity School and Doctor of Ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary. Now honorably retired, he served churches in Nashville, Enid, Oklahoma, and Houston, Texas. Prior to being called into the ministry, he was in the business world for 20 years, first as an accountant with the IRS, then as a partner with a local CPA firm, and finally in multi-family real estate.

Sherard Edington is on vacation with his family and will return to the office on September 13.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to the family of Patricia Kopp on her death on August 30.

SHERRY'S RUN – The 19th annual Sherry's Run will be held Saturday, September 10 and FPC is forming a team. If you would like to participate, please register online at sherrysrun.org. At the end of the registration form choose to join a team. Our team's name is 1st Presbyterian Church, Lebanon. Hope to see you there!

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) –Youth Group is invited to join the church group for Sherry's Run on September 10. The next youth meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m. at the church picnic. Regular meetings will resume on October 5 at 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today		Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	Church School	6:00 p.m.	Brown Bag
10:00 a.m.	Worship	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Monday		Thursday	
Office Closed		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:00 p.m.	New Day Group	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Tuesday		Friday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Saturday	

	ELDERS	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Jessica Fain	Max Carter	Jackie Cowden
Mickey Stueck	Frank Reeves	Tracey Hay
Lee Lyle	David Foutch	
	Wayne Patton	
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Jack Emmert Margaret Carroll Jonathan Bouton

Marilyn Peyton Mark Fain Carol Turner

Laura Simmons Carol Benson Van Turner

Margaret Ann Trail Pat Hatcher Sandra Weatherford

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
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Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
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Christian Education – Max Carter
Congregational Care – Mickey Stueck
Outreach – Jessica Fain
Personnel – Jackie Cowden
Worship – Wayne Patton

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Director of Music/Organist – Darryl Nettles
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children Adult
Nursery Crossroads Class
Preschool – 1st Grade Faith Builders Class
Elementary Class
Westminster Class
Middle- High School Class
Women's Class

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