

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2022

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude on "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Eugene Bradford

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 119

Leader: Happy are those whose way is blameless,

who walk in the law of the Lord.

People: Happy are those who keep the decrees of the Lord

and walk in God's ways.

Leader: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your

statutes!

People: Then I shall not be put to shame,

having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*HYMN No. 455 All Creatures of Our God and King (vss 1, 2, 5, 6)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS MINUTE FOR MISSION

Frank Reeves

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of the covenant, we know we should worship you with every fiber of our being,

but we confess that we are less than faithful.

We do not love you with our whole heart.

We minimize your mercy and disparage your grace.

We claim to fear you and so we hide from you.

Redeem us, we pray. Help us discover the wisdom to embrace you in all that we do. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: As we open our hearts to God, we are filled with

the joy that was sung at creation. 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 - 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)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:14-30

'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

O Lamb of God Most Holy

Sandra Gay

O Lamb of God most Holy! Who on the cross did suffer, So patient still and lowly, yourself to scorn did offer; Our sins by You were taken, or hope had us forsaken: Have mercy on us, Jesus!

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Your peace be with us Jesus.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON

Hoarding in Fear; Investing in Joy

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 345

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

*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

OFFERTORY

When We All Get to Heaven

Traditional

*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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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 430 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy! DARWALL'S 148TH

- *CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- *CHORAL RESPONSE
- *Postlude

O Gott, Du Frommer Gott

J.S. Bach



Please join us for a Bridal Shower honoring

Sara Brown

Today at eleven thirty First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

Sara is registered at Amazon as Trevor Chaney



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

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

October 19, 6:00 p.m.

Oven-Baked Country Style Ribs, Squash Casserole, Cole Slaw, Buttermilk Cake

To make a reservation, please call the church office at (615) 444-1360 by Tuesday.

THE ROSE on the communion table is placed in celebration of the birth of Rocky Sanwal to Amy and Rahul Harpalani on October 13. Proud grandparents are Kathy and Joe Adams.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to Frank and Peggy Reeves on the death of Frank's brother, Joe Reeves, on October 5.

LADIES BINGO NIGHT – All ladies of the church are invited to attend Bingo Night on Monday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. Bring a \$10 gift and a friend and join the fun.

MEN'S BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, October 29 at 8:00 a.m. Contact the church office if you plan to attend.

TRUNK OR TREAT – FPC will host our third community Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 30, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., and we need your help. We are looking for members of the congregation who are willing to host "trunks"—people who decorate the trunks of their cars and hand out candy in our parking lot. To volunteer, please contact Kristy in the office.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, November 6, at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary for the purpose of electing officers.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) –Next meeting on October 19 at 6:00p.m.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today		Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	Church School	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
10:00 a.m.	Worship	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
11:30 a.m.	Bridal Shower	Thursday	
Monday		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:00 p.m.	New Day (AA)	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
7:00 p.m.	Bingo Group	Friday	•
Tuesday	•	Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	•	
6:00 p.m.	AA Group (Annex)		

	ELDERS	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Jessica Fain	Max Carter	Jackie Cowden
Mickey Stueck	Frank Reeves	
Lee Lyle	David Foutch	
•	Wayne Patton	
	DIACONATE	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Jack Emmert	Margaret Carroll	Jonathan Bouton
Marilyn Peyton	Mark Fain	Carol Turner

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Pat Hatcher

Carol Benson

Van Turner

Sandra Weatherford

Margaret Ann Trail

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
Buildings and Grounds –
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
Organist/Director of Music – 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
Elementary and Faith Builders Class
Middle- High School Class Westminster Class

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