

# FIRST



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



November 21, 2021

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Christ the King Sunday*

November 21, 2021

11:00 A.M.

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## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

### SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE      *Chorale "Now Thank We All Our God"*      J.S. Bach

### CHIMING THE HOUR

### CHORAL INTROIT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Behold, the King of glory is here.

People: O come, let us worship and bow down.

Leader: Rejoice greatly, for Christ is your King.

People: Blessing and honor and glory be unto him.

Leader: Blessed are you, O Lord, King of the universe;  
you have delivered us from sin and death.

People: By your blood, you have brought your people into  
your kingdom.

Leader: Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed  
on him the name that is above every name,

People: That at the name of Jesus every knee shall bend and  
every tongue confess him to be the King of glory.

Leader: Behold, the King of glory is here. Alleluia!

People: O come, let us worship and bow down. Alleluia!

\*HYMN NO. 554      *Let All Things Now Living*      ASH GROVE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.  
We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow  
to acknowledge his rule. We place our allegiance with the  
powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and  
love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim your son as  
ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors of his kingdom  
forever. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The Good News proclaims that Jesus Christ is  
crowned Lord of all. He is our Savior forever more.

People: Our trust is in Jesus Christ through whom we are  
forgiven. Thanks be to God!

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\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn No. 579

*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.*

**\*THE PEACE**

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

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Ida Mason  
James Murff

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (unison)

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit,  
that in your light we may see light,  
in your truth find wisdom,  
and in your will discover your peace,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

*"So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.*

**ANTHEM**

*Crown of Thorns, Crown of Glory*

Mark Schweizer

*The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now,  
a royal diadem adorns the mighty victor's brow.*

*The highest place that heaven affords is his, is his by right,  
the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and heaven's eternal light.*

*The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him,  
his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.*

**TIME FOR THE CHILDREN**

Michael Schulte

**SERMON**

*An Offering of First Fruits*

Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN NO. 559      *We Gather Together*

KREMSEK

\*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      *Wondrous King, All Glorious*

Max Reger

### \*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. 423      *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

DUKE STREET

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE      *Toccata "To God Give Thanks"*      Richard Keys Biggs

# KEYBOARDS at CHRISTMAS

Sunday December 5 at 6:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church  
304 West Main - Lebanon



## 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

December 8, 6:00 p.m.

*Baked Ham, Twice Mashed Potatoes, Cranberry Salad, Eggnog Cake*

To make a reservation, please call the church office at  
(615) 444-1360 by Friday, December 3.

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WE WELCOME into membership into the church today **Ida Mason and James Murff** by Reaffirmation of Faith.

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS**—The FPC Advent Devotional *Behold: Good News, Great Joy* has been published and includes daily scripture with Advent meditations from church members. Copies are available at the back of the sanctuary and in the chapel.

**COMPASSIONATE HANDS** – Winter shelters open in less than two weeks! A sign-up is posted in the hall if you would like to help with laundry on Monday afternoons (this year we're using the facilities at the Hope Center) or breakfast on Sunday mornings. Although we haven't committed to providing nightly hosts or helping with the daily sanitizing of each shelter, CH is still looking for volunteers in these areas. If you can help, please contact Allen Tack of CH at 615-426-1254. We also need donations of travel kleenex, Hot Hands warmers, disposable razors, and travel shampoo. A collection box will be located in the hallway near fellowship hall for you to drop off these items. Your support of this vital ministry is appreciated.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Prayers for health and well-being for Patsy Barnes, Betty Crosslin, George Gebhardt, Ida Mason, Lydia McVicker, Larry Nickelson (Ann Walsh's son-in-law), Gould Smith Jr., and Lyse Watson. Prayers for those who are homebound or distanced due to the pandemic: Carolyn Beard, Pat Climer, Anne Donnell, Rachel Low, and Lois Ann Wauford.

## YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) – No Youth Group on November 24.

## 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. Christian Ed Mtg.  
1:30 p.m. Officer Training

### Monday

### Tuesday

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### Wednesday

### Thursday

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

### Friday

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

### Saturday

## ELDERS

Class of 2021  
Suanne Bone  
Don Goodwin  
Adrienne Johnson  
David Howell

Class of 2022  
Jessica Fain  
Mickey Stueck

Class of 2023  
Max Carter  
Frank Reeves

## DIACONATE

Class of 2021  
Becky Harm  
Lee Lyle  
Sandra Patton  
Emily Peyton

Class of 2022  
Jack Emmert  
Marilyn Peyton  
Laura Simmons  
Margaret Ann Trail

Class of 2023  
Margaret Carroll

## CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell  
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler  
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves  
Buildings and Grounds – David Howell  
Christian Education – Mickey Stueck  
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson  
Outreach – Adrienne Johnson  
Personnel – Jessica Fain  
Worship – Suanne Bone

## STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation  
Pastor – Sherard Edington  
Director of Music – Branson Clark  
Organist – J. D. Plant  
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte  
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent  
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins  
Nursery – Sara Brown  
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

**Children**  
Nursery  
Preschool – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Elementary Class  
Middle- High School Class

**Adult**  
Crossroads Class  
Faith Builders Class  
Westminster Class  
Women's Class

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