

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



January 29, 2023

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 29, 2023 *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Times*

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE

Elegy

Robert Lau

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 15

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your sanctuary?

People: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.
Those who speak the truth from their heart.

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your sanctuary?

People: Those who do not slander with their tongue,
and do no evil to their friends.

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your sanctuary?

People: Those who honor those who fear the Lord.
Those who keep an oath even when it hurts.
Those who do not accept a bribe against the
innocent. Those who lend to the poor interest-free.

Leader: Whoever does these things will never stumble.

People: Let us worship the Lord!

*HYMN NO. 488 *The God of Abraham Praise*

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of High Places, we confess that we have a habit of overlooking the many occasions in which you have delivered and saved us. We admit that we can be ungrateful. We behave as if we have grown tired of you.

However, when we need a favor, we seek to impress you with lavish offerings and empty gifts. Forgive us and help us become people of justice who always serve you with humility.
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)

Prepare our hearts, O God,
to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice but your own,
that, hearing, we may also obey your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6:1-8

*"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you but
to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!*

ANTHEM

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

Timothy Shaw

*The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green,
the trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree.
His beauty doth all things excel, by faith I know, but ne'er can tell
the glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.
For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought;
I missed of all, but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.
I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest a while;
under the shadow I will be of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;
which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON

Everyday Sunday 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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Come, Ye Disconsolate

Dale Wood

*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. 428 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

SCHUMANN

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Sortie on "National Hymn"

Lani Smi

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

February 1, 6:00 p.m.

Gumbo, Potato Salad, Bread Pudding

Following the meal, Jason Partlow will discuss *Funeral Planning*.

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

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR 2023 - If you would like to provide a flower arrangement in memory of or in honor of loved ones for a particular Sunday in 2023, please contact Kristy in the church office.

The **4 Cents a Meal** offering will be received today. Please use the yellow pew envelope.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12



Each Sunday between now and the big game on February 12, you are asked to bring a donation of canned food for our annual **Souper Bowl of Caring Food Drive**. This drive collects food for the Wilson County Community Help Center

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

MISSION

COMPASSIONATE HANDS - On Thursday, FPC hosted 10 women.

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
11:15 a.m.	Christian Ed	Thursday	
Monday		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:00 p.m.	New Day (AA)	Friday	
Tuesday		Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool		
6:00 p.m.	AA Group (Annex)		

SESSION

Class of 2023
Max Carter
Frank Reeves
David Foutch
Wayne Patton

Class of 2023
Jackie Cowden
Nancy Gebhardt
Mickey Stueck
Allen Vance

Class of 2025
W.P. Bone
Jack Emmert

DIACONATE

Class of 2023
Margaret Carroll
Mark Fain
Carol Benson
Pat Hatcher

Class of 2024
Jonathan Bouton
Carol Turner
Van Turner
Sandra Weatherford

Class of 2025
Rachel Low
Anne Donnell
Jim Stueck

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
Buildings and Grounds – Van Turner
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 Chaney
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children
Nursery
Elementary Class and
Middle- High School Class

Adult
Crossroads Class
Faith Builders Class
Westminster Class

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FINANCIAL UPDATE		
	Expenses	Income
December	\$37,261.58	\$30,104.35
YTD	\$363,649.96	\$329,415.73
	Last Week's Offering	\$33,341.00