

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



September 5, 2021

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

*As we gather in this holy space, let us be mindful of everyone present
as we prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.*

Draw upon the organ prelude as your time of reflection.

PRELUDE *Jesus Christ, Our Savior* J.S. Bach

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 27*

Leader: God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

People: God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble.
God is our hope and joy on the days of celebration!

Leader: Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of
God's holy love.

People: O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us!
Be our guide and our light!

Leader: One thing we ask of God:

People: That we may live in the house of the Lord all the days
of our life.

Leader: Beloved of God, enter this worship in thanksgiving,
for God is among and within us!

People: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN NO. 155 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* DARWALL'S 148TH

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of the Ages, forgive us of our many sins.

We confess that when charged to follow you, we are weak and
choose a different path. We lack the courage to obey your will.
We fail to keep your commands.

Change us and help us prosper in our faith so that every act is
performed in your holy name. Make us heirs of your sacred
house forever. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Be strong, do not fear!

People: God fills our parched souls with living water.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of salvation:

People: Through Christ our King our sins are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

* 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.

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

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12

*Be strong, be courageous, and keep the charge of the Lord your God,
walking in his ways and keeping his statutes, his commandments,
his ordinances, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses,
so that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn.*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Praise the Lord with Joyful Song

Hal H. Hopson

*Praise the Lord with joyful song, hail the Rock who saves us.
Offer God our grateful hearts, shout out loud thanks giving.
Mighty is the Lord our God, King above all Gods;
bless the Lord with joyful song; hail the Rock who saves us.
God made all the earth and sky, all creation's splendor.
Valleys green speak forth their praise; hills reflect His goodness.
The oceans also tell of God; the dry land He created.
God make all the earth and sky, all creation's splendor.
Come and worship, kneel before the Lord; bless His name.
He is gracious, loving, kind, and true. Bless His name.
He is Lord of all. We are His flock.
Come and worship, kneel before the Lord; bless His name.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON

Rev. Sherard Edington

The Shepherd King: 8. Die like a King

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*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

*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

MEDITATION *O Lamb of God, Pure*

J.S. Bach

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 151 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE *Minuet Finale (Royal Fireworks)* George F. Handel

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

SAVE THE DATE!

The **Annual Church Picnic** will be held on
Wednesday, September 15 at 6:00 p.m.
at Don Fox Community Park.

Wednesday Fellowship Meals will resume September 22.

ON SEPTEMBER 12, Sunday worship will return to our pre-COVID schedule with 8:45 a.m. Chapel Worship, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA) is already delivering aid and assistance to those communities ravaged by Hurricane Ida. To donate to PDA, you can write a check to the church with PDA in the memo line, or you can give directly online or by phone. For more information, go to pda.pcusa.org.

AN INQUIRERS CLASS for anyone interested in joining the church will be offered by Sherard Edington starting October 3. Classes will be held during the Sunday School hour on October 3, 10, and 17. If you would like to be part of the class, please contact the church office. The location is the class has not been determined. However, we will meet on the first floor of the church.

SHERRY'S RUN – The 18th annual Sherry's Run will be held Saturday, September 11 and FPC is forming a team. We will meet the morning of the 11th in the church parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and go to the event together. Hope to see you there!

KRISTY ON VACATION – Kristy will return to the office on Tuesday. The office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:10 a.m. Book Club
11:10 a.m. Sunday School

Monday

Church office closed

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Friday

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	Adult
Nursery	Crossroads Class
Preschool – 1 st Grade	Book Club Class
Elementary Class	Westminster Class
Middle- High School Class	Women's Class

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