



## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

People: Alleluia and Amen!

## 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.

## ANTHEM

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Kirkby

## THE WORD OF GOD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God of our Ancestors, Eternal Hope:  
Open our hearts to your ancient wisdom,  
That in hearing your word, we may  
Rejoice in the promise of the Living One  
And pour out love to all in our midst;  
We ask these things in the name of Christ,  
the source of our salvation. Amen!

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:21-35

## SERMON

*The Art of Seeing*

Michael Schulte

## 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.*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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### SENDING FORTH

**HYMN NO. 370**     *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*     WOODWORTH

### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**     *Allabreve (BWV 589)*     J.S. Bach

## 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.

## THIS WEEK AT FPC

### Today

10:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Session

### Monday

6:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study with Michael

### Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

6:00 p.m. Outreach via Zoom

### Wednesday

12:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night To-Go Meal

6:30 p.m. Youth Group via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

5:00 p.m. Retired Teachers Meeting

### Friday

6:00 p.m. Family Scavenger Hunt

### Saturday

### Participating in Worship today are:

J.D. Plant, Organist

Branson Clark, Vocals

Michael Schulte, Director of Christian Education

Sherard Edington, Pastor

Jim Stueck and Cal Clark, Technical Team

FPC Chancel Choir

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNER September 16, 6:00 p.m.

*Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Broccoli Salad, Dessert*

Although, there will be no Wednesday Fellowship Meals in the Fall, we are planning to have once-a-month Take-Out meals. Reservations (through the church office) are required. Pick-up will be at the church and meals will be handed out to each car. COVID protocols will be observed. To make a reservation, please call the church office at (615) 444-1360 by Tuesday.

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**FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT:** Friday, September 18 at 6 p.m. Families will meet at the church and receive their first clue. Each clue will lead them to a site in Lebanon where a church member will give the family an activity to complete together. At the end, families will return to FPC for a socially-distanced outdoor BBQ.

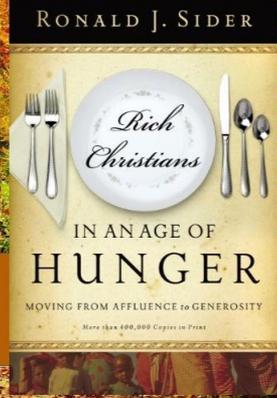
**DIAPER CONNECTION:** On Tuesday, September 22, at 6:00 p.m., FPC will hold a **diaper wrapping event** in conjunction with Nashville Diaper Connection. These diapers will be distributed in Wilson County. Without diapers, babies cannot go to childcare, participate in early childhood education, and many parents cannot go to work. The goal is to ensure that every baby has enough diapers to remain clean, dry, and healthy. Following a short presentation about the program, we will wrap diapers that can be handed out in our community. If you would like to participate, please call the church office at 615-444-1360. 8-12 volunteers are needed.

**SUNDAY DRIVE:** On Sunday, September 27 at noon, you should hop into your car and head over to the church so that you can take a **Sunday Drive**. We are going to create a caravan of cars to drive to the homes of several church members and wave and shout hello. It should last less than an hour and will be great fun.

## Fall Book Club

Join us for a ten-week  
book study beginning  
Sunday, September 20 at  
11:10am via Zoom

To sign up, visit:  
[FPCLebanon.org/bookclub](http://FPCLebanon.org/bookclub)



# fpc youth

Wednesdays at 6:32pm  
Meeting #: 999 257 630  
PW: 315915

