FIRST IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



October 30, 2022

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Reformation Sunday

October 30, 2022

10:00 A.M.

Roger Wilson

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude Images

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 130

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you. Lord, hear my voice!

People: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my

supplications!

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

and in his word, I hope.

People: My soul waits for the Lord more than those

who watch for the morning.

Leader: With the Lord there is steadfast love.

People: With the Lord is great power to redeem.

Let us worship the Lord!

*HYMN No. 210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of Might and Power, even though we are fragile and broken, you invite us to build something holy.

We confess that when called to bring healing, we become critical. We mock the efforts of those who serve. We prefer to work for our own prestige as we ignore the cries of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Heal our brokenness. Inspire us to build the gates of your kingdom instead of our own impenetrable walls. 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 - 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

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Come, Gracious Spirit Alfred V. Fedak

Come, Gracious Spirit, heav'nly Dove, with light and comfort from above; be thou our guardian, thou our guide o'er ev'ry thought and step preside. The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose thy way; plant holy fear in ev'ry heart, that we from thee may ne'er depart.

Lead us to Christ, the living Way, nor let us from his pastures stray; lead us to holiness, the road that we must take to dwell with God. Lead us to heav'n, that we may share fullness of joy for ever there; lead us to God, our final rest, to be with him for ever blessed.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON Collecting for the Saints: Giving Becomes Contagious Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 359 More Love to Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

*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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Arietta

Denis Eliot

*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. 324

Open My Eyes That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

- *CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- *CHORAL RESPONSE

*Postlude Jesu, Meine Freude 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.

For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner & Presentation November 2, 6:00 p.m.

Roasted Pulled Pork, Baked Apples & Sweet Potatoes, Lima Beans, Spice Cake

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

Following the meal, attorneys Bryson Eubanks and Angel Kane will make a presentation on Elder Care.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to:

- Jamie and Emily Peyton and family on the death of Jamie's father, Richard Peyton, on October 22.
- Devon Simon and family on the death of his wife, Carol Simon, on October 23.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY is November 6. If you have a name of a special saint that you would like remembered in prayer that day, please share it with Sherard.

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

ANNEX "SPRUCE UP" DAY is looking for volunteers to help spruce up the church Annex on November 19 in preparation for this season's Compassionate Hands. For more information, contact the church office.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP $(5^{th}$ -12th grade) – The next meeting will be on November 2 at 6:00 p.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
5:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat	Thursday	
Monday		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:00 p.m.	New Day (AA)	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Tuesday		Friday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Saturday	
6:00 p.m.	AA Group (Annex)		

Class of 2022	ELDERS 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

Laura Simmons Carol Benson Van Turner

Margaret Ann Trail Pat Hatcher Sandra Weatherford

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 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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