

# FIRST



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



February 9, 2025

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

February 9, 2025

11:00 A.M.

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## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

PRELUDE *Little Prelude in G Minor* Paul Taylor

CHIMING THE HOUR

SCOUT SUNDAY PRESENTATION BY TROOP 434

### WHO WE ARE

Leader: We are called Christians but what does that mean?

People: We are a welcoming community of disciples of Jesus Christ continually demonstrating God's reign.

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHORAL INTROIT

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You call us, O Christ, to live as your disciples,

People: living a new life, by way of new paths, seeking new ways.

Leader: In your call toward deep waters,

People: grant us faith.

Leader: In your command not to fear,

People: grant us courage.

Leader: In your invitation to follow,

People: grant us surrender.

Leader: Restore to us the joy of living as your disciples,

People: that we might travel with you in the way of miracles.

\*HYMN NO. 487 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of Hope, in a world that feels increasingly chaotic, we turn to you. We seek the comfort of your presence. We hear your call to step beyond our comfort zones, even when the journey overwhelms us. Forgive us for our timidity, for the times we choose safety over faith. Inspire us to take the risks you call us to, to use our gifts for your purpose, trusting in your constant presence. Change our hearts, Lord, and make us bold for you. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: You are God's beloved. With you, God is well pleased. You are renewed and restored. You are forgiven and loved. You are a new creation in Christ. You are the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

## \*KYRIE

No. 572

*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)

Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the scriptures are read  
and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:1-11

*When Jesus had finished speaking, he said to Simon,  
"Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch."  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God!*

### ANTHEM

*Be a Candle of Hope*

Becki Slagle Mayo

*Be a candle of hope, be a candle of light,  
a beacon of truth in a dark, hopeless night.  
Share the light with a friend and watch the flame grow.  
The more light we give, the more love we'll know.*

*When you light another candle, you keep your light, but give it away.  
Yet the flame grows even brighter as the darkness turns into day.*

*Be a candle of hope, be a candle of light,  
a beacon of truth in a dark, hopeless night.  
Share the light with a friend and watch the flame grow.  
The more light we give, the more love we'll know.  
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### SERMON

*Deep Desires*

Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN NO. 345

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

REST

\*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

*Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus*

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. 388

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

ANGEL'S STORY

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

*Sortie on "National Hymn"*

Lani Smith



**This Sunday is Souper Bowl of Caring.** Please bring your canned food and monetary donations for our Souper Bowl collection on Sunday, February 9. All donations go to support the work of the Lebanon School Family Resource Centers.

## 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 12, 6:00 p.m.

*Lasagna, Salad, Bread, Dessert*

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

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**BOY SCOUT SUNDAY** – We welcome the Scouts of Troop 434 to our worship today. FPC is proud to be the chartering organization for this outstanding troop.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of Margaret Smith and Lydia Smith McVicker by Nancy Boyd.

**THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** of the congregation are extended to Mickey and Jim Stueck on the death of Mickey's sister, Cheryl Jones, in Texas, on February 5.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** will be Saturday, February 15, at 8:00 a.m. To make a reservation, please contact Kristy in the church office.

**LADIES BINGO NIGHT** – All ladies of the church are invited to attend Bingo Night on Monday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m. Bring a \$10 gift and a friend and join the fun!

## YOUTH

**YOUTH GROUP** (5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

## THIS WEEK AT FPC

<b>Today</b>		<b>Wednesday</b>	
8:45 a.m.	Worship	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
9:45 a.m.	Church School	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
11:00 a.m.	Worship	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
12:15 p.m.	Session Meeting	<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Monday</b>		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
6:00 p.m.	New Day Group	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
<b>Tuesday</b>		<b>Friday</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	<b>Saturday</b>	
		8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast

## SESSION

Class of 2025  
W.P. Bone  
Jack Emmert  
Frank Reeves

Class of 2026  
Carol Hill  
Margaret Ann Trail  
Allen Vance

Class of 2027  
Marilyn Peyton

## DIACONATE

Class of 2025  
Rachel Low  
Jim Stueck  
Kim Wall

Class of 2026  
Melissa Cassetty  
Karen Hunter-Lowery  
Jim Murff  
Mickey Stueck

Class of 2027

## CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell  
Treasurer – Jim Stueck  
Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck  
Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance  
Christian Education – Nancy Gebhardt  
Congregational Care –  
Outreach – Margaret Ann Trail  
Personnel – Jack Emmert  
Worship – Mickey Stueck

## STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation  
Pastor – Sherard Edington  
Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles  
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent  
NCC Worship Leader – Natalie Loader  
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins  
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### Children

Elementary Class and  
Middle - High School Class

### Adult

Crossroads Class  
Faith Builders Class

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