

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



June 27, 2021

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 27, 2021 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE Christine Brosend, organist

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.

*HYMN NO. 356 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of infinite forgiveness, grant us your mercy as we proclaim that Jesus Christ is our Savior. However, we confess that we are overwhelmed by fear and doubt. We only turn to him as a last resort when all our options have failed. We hold back the truth and deceive one another. Forgive us, Holy One. May we readily embrace your salvation in our lives. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: "Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich."

People: In Christ we dwell in the richness of God's favor.

Leader: This is the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus' name, we are forgiven!

* 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.

ANTHEM

God of Mercy, God of Grace

Jerry F. Davidson

*God of mercy, God of grace, Show the brightness of Thy face;
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, Fill Thy Church with light divine,
And Thy saving health extend, Unto earth's remotest end.*

*Let thy people praise Thee, Lord, Be by all that live adored;
Let the nations shout and sing Glory to their Savior King;
Let all be below, above, One in joy, and light, and love.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Give us ears to hear your story in these words of Scripture;
give us eyes to see your story in the faces of those that
surround us; and give us faith enough, that by your grace,
we might serve you until the end of our days. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

SERMON

Look at Them

Rev. Sherard Edington

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. 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. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

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. 386

O for a World

AZMON

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

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

PARTICIPATING in the 11:00 service today is **Christine Brosend**, organ. Christine is a member of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and private voice instructor. JD Plant will return from his vacation this week.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped make Rocky Railway VBS a success this past week. For the VBS Mission Project—the Neon Bus—we collected food for 150 food bags. Our food and donations totaled more than \$1700.

4 CENTS A MEAL offering will be received today. Please use the yellow envelope in the back of the pew for your donation.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Friday, July 2 and Monday, July 5 in observation of Independence Day.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) – In-person youth group will meet on **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. for fellowship and opportunities to serve the homeless in our community.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:10 a.m. Book Club

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

Friday

Office Closed

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
Nursery
Preschool – 1st Grade
Elementary Class
Middle School Class
High School Class

Adult
Atypical Class
Cross Roads Class
Faith Builders Class
Westminster Class
Women's Class

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