

# FIRST



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



*September 29, 2019*

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2019

11:00 A.M.

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## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

### SILENT MEDITATION

#### PRELUDE

*Trumpet Tune*

Henry Kihlken

#### CHIMING THE HOUR

### CHORAL INTROIT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 138*

Leader: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;

People: I bow down toward your holy temple.

Leader: On the day I called, you answered me,

People: You increased my strength of soul.

Leader: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,

People: For they have heard the words of your mouth.

Leader: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;

People: Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

#### \*HYMN NO. 489 *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

UNSER HERRSCHER

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### MINUTE FOR MISSION

Barbara Howell

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God our Sovereign, you offer to nurture us across our days.

Yet, we confess that we reject you and seek out flawed leaders who promise to serve our petty self-interests.

We foolishly place our trust in those who prove to be false.

We seek security and ignore your holy assurances.

Foster within us the courage to embrace your love.

Forgive us our sins we pray. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The promise of God is our salvation.

Friends, hear and believe the Good News.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

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\* 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, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 Samuel 8:1-9

*They have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.*

**ANTHEM**

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

Mark Patterson

*My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation.  
I hear the real, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging;  
Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*What thought my joys and comforts die? I hear the truth: it liveth.  
And though the darkness gather round, songs in the night it giveth.*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging;  
Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music singing.  
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging;  
Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?  
How can I keep from singing?*

**TIME FOR THE CHILDREN**

**SERMON**

*King of Hearts*

Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN NO. 441      *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

ST. THOMAS

\*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      *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*      Gilbert M. Martin

\*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. 485      *To God Be the Glory*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE      *Great Organ Plenum with Reeds*      Francois Couperin

## 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

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

October 2, 6:00 p.m.

*Potluck Covered Dish (chicken will be provided)*

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

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**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** – There will be a Congregational Meeting today at 10:45 a.m. for the purpose of electing four At-Large members to the Officer Nominating Committee.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make our Rise Against Hunger meal packing event a success.

**SANTA FOR A SENIOR** – As is our tradition, our church will again play Santa to 12 senior citizens through Wilson County's *Senior Citizens Awareness Network (SCAN)*. SCAN is a nonprofit organization that reaches out to the county's elderly population and addresses the needs of isolated, lonely, at risk, and financially challenged seniors. In early November, you will be given an individual Wish List for one of the seniors and we will set up collection boxes in the back hall as we have in previous years. If you would like to sponsor a senior this Christmas, contact Catherine Hanson at [chanson457@yahoo.com](mailto:chanson457@yahoo.com).

### All Church Breakfast

Sunday, October 6 at 9:45 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend!

In observance of **World Communion Sunday**, communion will be served at the end of the meal.

## 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
10:45 a.m.	Congregational Meeting	<b>Thursday</b>	
		9:00 a.m.	Preschool
11:00 a.m.	Worship	6:30 p.m.	Praise Team
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Friday</b>	
6:00 p.m.	Disciple Class	<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>			
9:00 a.m.	Preschool		

## ELDERS

Class of 2019  
Jeff Campbell  
David Foutch  
Carol Turner  
Scott Williams

Class of 2020  
Pat Bone  
Robin Orewiler  
Wayne Patton

Class of 2021  
Suanne Bone  
Don Goodwin  
Adrienne Johnson  
David Howell

## DIACONATE

Class of 2019  
Jonathan Bouton  
Mary Margaret Farris  
Sandra Weatherford  
Blair Welser

Class of 2020  
Sondra Bishop  
Linda Gatlin

Class of 2021  
Becky Harm  
Lee Lyle  
Sandra Patton  
Emily Peyton

## CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell  
Treasurer – John Foutch  
Budget & Finance –  
Buildings and Grounds – David Foutch  
Christian Education – Wayne Patton  
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson  
Outreach – Robin Orewiler  
Personnel – Jeff Campbell  
Worship – Carol Turner

## STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation  
Pastor – Sherard Edington  
Director of Music – Branson Clark  
Organist – J. D. Plant  
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent  
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins  
Nursery – Sara Brown  
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### Children

Nursery  
Preschool – 1<sup>st</sup> 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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