FIRST IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2020

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude Prelude and Fugue in G Major Felix Mendelssohn

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 106 Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, who is Leader:

good, and whose steadfast love endures forever.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, People:

or declare the praise God is due?

Leader: Happy are those who observe justice,

who do righteousness at all times.

Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to People:

your people; help me when you deliver them.

Let us worship God! Leader:

HYMN No. 489 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord of the High Places, we gladly acknowledge the many gifts you have showered upon us.

Despite your generosity, we confess that we become jaded to your blessings. We are dismissive of those who have less. In our arrogance we assume that you must love us more. Forgive our pettiness and help us to reach out to all our

neighbors. Help us to share all our blessings in love. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends—Hear the good news of our salvation: Leader:

By the power of God's love we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! People:

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

Sing Praise to God

Aarons

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

1 Samuel 1:4-20

O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.

SERMON *Teach Us To Pray: Hannah* Rev. Sherard Edington

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. 251 Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure winchester New

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Andante Recitativo (Sonata no. 1) Felix Mendelssohn

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 "Drive-Thru" Dinner October 21, 6:00 p.m.

Roasted Pulled Pork, Sweet Potatoes and Apples, Kale Salad, Spice Cake

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.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Margot Schneider and Miles Frazier in the church on Saturday.

SUNDAY DRIVE – On Sunday, October 25 at noon, you need to 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 lasts less than an hour and will be great fun.

FALL FESTIVAL – Instead of our normal Fall Festival, on October 28 we will host a Trunk or Treat in the FPC parking lot. We will need volunteers to decorate, recruit congregation members to bring candy, and set up outdoor carnival games. 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER Meal Packaging Event will be on Saturday morning, October 31. We need volunteers and monetary donations.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, November 1 at 9:45 a.m. The Officer Nominating Committee presented a slate of officers for the Session and Deacons class of 2023.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th-12th grade) – Wednesdays Online at 6:32 pm.

RENEW: SPECIAL 1-DAY VBS: Did you miss summer VBS? Join us today from 3-6 pm for a special one-day vacation Bible school. Get ready for songs, crafts, and a whole lot of fun! This event is for children AND youth. Families are welcome to have dinner and attend a closing ceremony from 5:30-6:00 pm. To RSVP or to volunteer, please contact Michael at 618-979-6320 or *mjschulte.14@gmail.com*

This Week at FPC			
Today		Wednesday	
10:00 a.m.	Worship	12:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study
11:10 a.m.	Book Club	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Monday		Thursday	
6:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study	9:00 a.m.	Preschool
_	with Michael	Friday	
Tuesday		Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	•	

ELDERS

Class of 2020
Pat Bone
Suanne Bone
Robin Orewiler
Wayne Patton
Kim Wall
Class of 2021
Becky Burris
Becky Burris
Jessica Fain
Mickey Stueck
Mickey Stueck

DIACONATE

Class of 2020

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Sondra Bishop

Becky Harm

Jack Emmert

Marty Bone

Lee Lyle

Marilyn Peyton

Linda Gatlin

Sandra Patton

Pat Hatcher

Emily Peyton

Margaret Ann Trail

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – John Foutch
Budget & Finance –
Buildings and Grounds – David Howell
Christian Education – Mickey Stueck
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson
Outreach – Robin Orewiler
Personnel –
Worship – Pat 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 Adult
Nursery Atypical Class
Preschool – 1st Grade Cross Roads Class
Elementary Class Faith Builders Class
Middle School Class
High School Class Women's Class

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