FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JANUARY 5, 2025 | 10:45 A.M.

*The Hymn of Praise No. 30"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*The Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer

The Prayer of Confession

Faithful God in heaven, we return to You praise and thanks as we reflect upon how You have so abundantly met our every need. Yet we bow ourselves before You in humility, acknowledging our failure to honor You as You deserve. Heavenly Father, forgive us for our petty refusals to obey Your Word, for our obstinate rebellion against Your sovereign rule in our lives, and for our cold-hearted betrayals of Christ, the Lover of our souls. He died for us, but we do not live entirely for Him. He unflinchingly faced the scorn and censure of sinful men, but we have repeatedly failed to give a clear testimony of His grace, goodness, power, and might. For His sake, have mercy on us, and grant to us Your Spirit that we would be strengthened to run the race with endurance, to fight the good fight of faith, and to hold fast to the confession of our hope without failing. In Christ's precious Name, we pray.

The Silent Confession

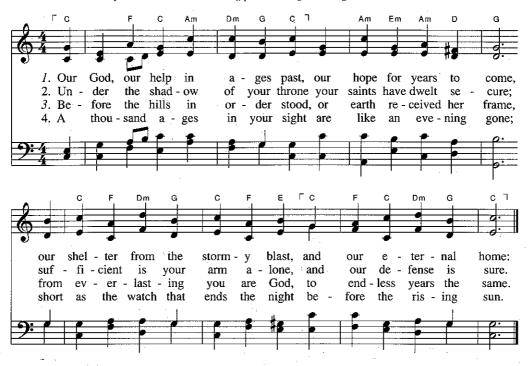
love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his

*The Hymn"Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" (pp. 2-3)

children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Ps. 90:1



- The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares, are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.
- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to comé:
 O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

From Psalm 90 Isaac Watts, 1719 Alt. 1990, mod. ST. ANNE C.M. Attr. to William Croft, 1678–1727 Tate and Brady's Supplement to the New Version, 1708





O Lord, Be Thou My Helper True

Help, LORD, for the godly are no more; the faithful have vanished from among men.



Psalm 12 The Psalter, 1912 COLWYN BAY 8.8.6.D. Thomas Joseph Linekar, b. 1858

The Offering Encouragement to Give	2 Corinthians 8:9
For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus	Christ, that though he was rich, yet
for your sake he became poor, so that you l	by his poverty might become rich.
The Old Testament Reading	Genesis 37:18-36
The Great Prayer	•
*The Psalm No. TH50"O Lord, Be	Thou My Helper True" (Psalm 12)
The Sermon	Pastor Ryan Biese
"When Words Are Cheap" Psalm 12 p. 422	The Psalms: The Way of Life No. 12
SERMON NOT	ES
A. Plots & Propaganda (vv. 1-4) 1. Missing (v. 1)	
2. Corruption (v. 2)	
3. <u>Prayer (vv. 3-4)</u>	
B. Preservation & Power (vv. 5-7) 1. Answer (v. 5)	
2. Purity (v. 6)	
3. Protection (v.7)	
C. Persistent & Pervasive (v. 8) 1. Tension	
2. <u>Hope</u>	

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If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Cast your cares on the LORD and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall. Ps. 55:22



~ We Respond to God Speaking in His Word ~

*The Hymn of Response No. 670....."If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"

~ God Shows His Commitment to Us ~

The Communion of Christ and His People at His Table

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

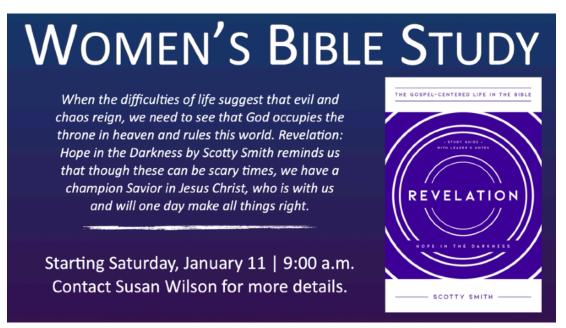
The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

~ God's People Respond to His Grace Displayed ~

*The Psalm of Praise No. 117....."Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations" (page 7)
The Benediction

*The Response No. 733"The Doxology"



To order the book in advance, please sign up with Margaret Davis.



Ladies Tea

Join the women for a time of fellowship at the church. Please bring a brunch item to share. All ages are welcome.





ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 5, 2025 Announcements are due 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and must be emailed to office@fpfo.org.

+ There is no evening worship tonight, but evening worship resumes next week.

+On Wednesday, January 15 the covered dish supper will begin at 5:55 p.m. and be followed by the Session and Women in the Church meetings starting at 6:30 p.m. No other midweek activities are scheduled for that week.

+Please do not bring food into the auditorium. Tables and chairs for eating are provided in the fellowship hall.

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- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting FPFO to 84576.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: office@fpfo.org.
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the box at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give

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FPFO UPCOMING ACTIVITIES CALENDAR	
Wednesday Ian 15	6:30 nm Stated Session Meeting & WIC Meeting

6:30 p.m. Stated Session Meeting & WIC Meeting wednesday, Jan. 15 Saturday, Jan. 18 Ladies Tea

Congregational Forum after Morning Worship The Lord's Day, Jan. 19

The Lord's Day, Jan. 26 Dr. Dennis Johnson Preaching in AM & PM Worship

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule The Lord's Day Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast

WAAK 94.7 FM 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship (excluding First Sundays)

Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper

6:30-7:15 p.m. Children's Song Class

6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Nursery: Jan. 5: M. L. Wilson & A. Bandy Jan. 12 L. Bible & S. Wilson