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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | MAY 26, 2024 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

*The Call to Worship

*The Psalm of Praise No. 46.....“God Is Our Refuge and Strength” (pp. 2-3)

*The Prayer of Adoration

The Confession of FaithThe Westminster Larger Catechism No. 7

Q. What is God?

A. *God is a Spirit, in and of Himself infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection; all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, incomprehensible, everywhere present, almighty, knowing all things, most wise, most holy, most just, most merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth.*

The Call to ConfessionPsalm 106:2–3

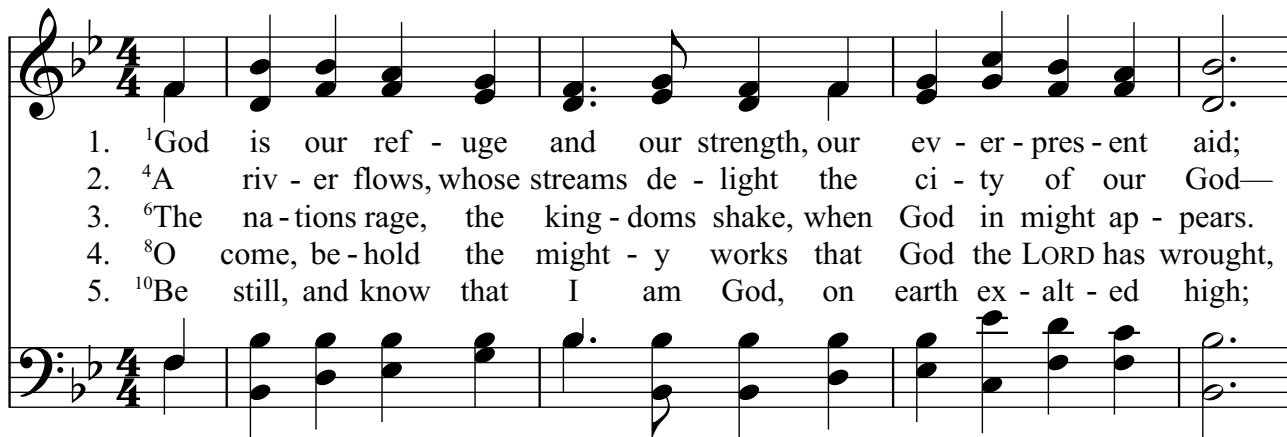
Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD, or declare all his praise?

Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

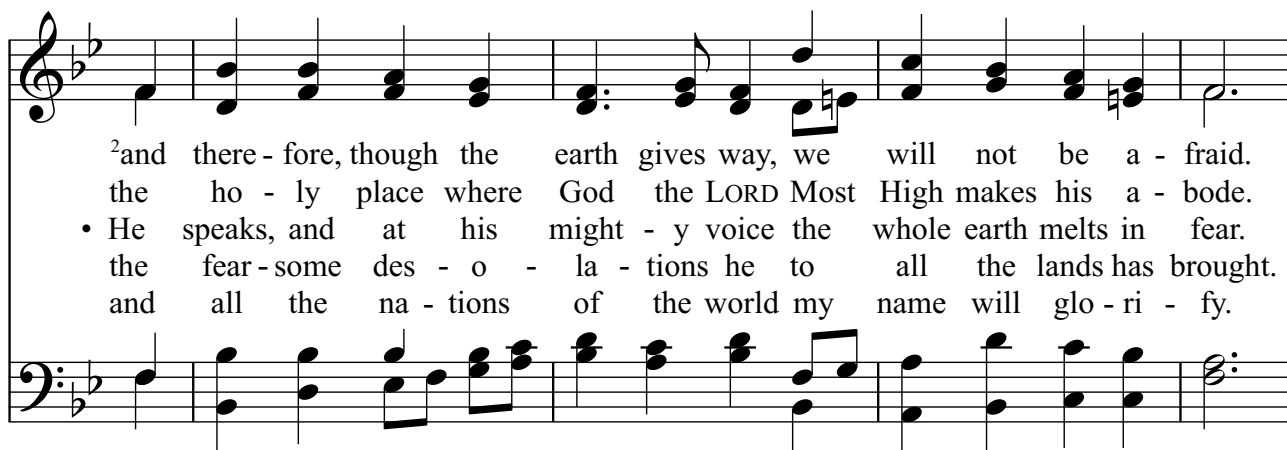
The Confession of Sin

O Lord God, who reigns on high ruling and defending the church, have mercy on us for our many sins against Your holy Law. We confess that we have neglected the weightier matters of the Law as we have followed our own desires, inventive traditions, and self-interest. Though You deserve pure worship, our hearts are often cold and indifferent to the beauty of holiness. Though our neighbors bear Your image, our hearts have been slow to move in response to the needs of even our closest family members and friends. Cleanse us of our defiling hypocrisy and self-centeredness, and grant that we would grow in grace and godliness as the Spirit teaches us how best to seek for the good of all, and especially those of the household of faith. In the Name of Christ, we pray.

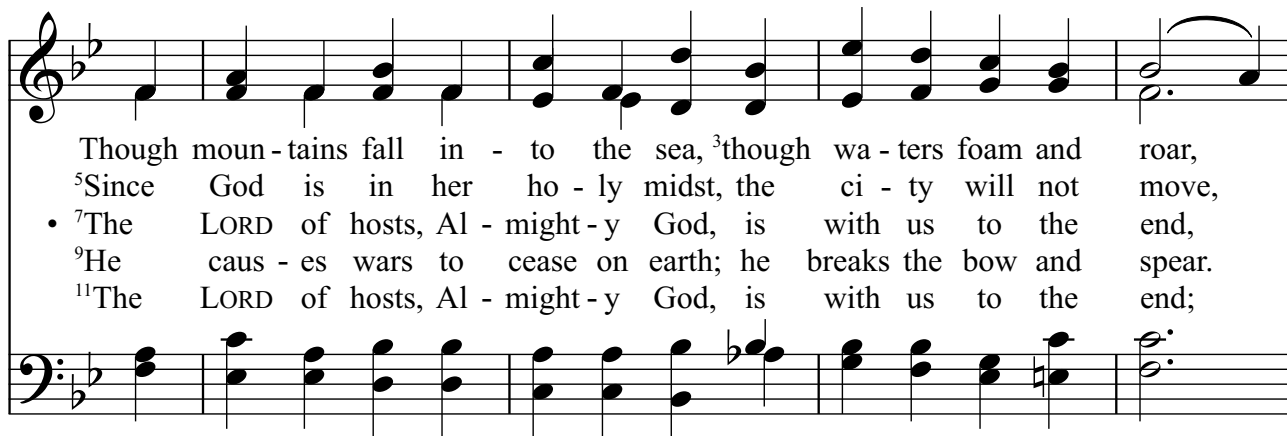
Psalm 46A



1. ¹God is our ref - uge and our strength, our ev - er - pres - ent aid;
2. ⁴A riv - er flows, whose streams de - light the ci - ty of our God—
3. ⁶The na - tions rage, the king - doms shake, when God in might ap - pears.
4. ⁸O come, be - hold the might - y works that God the LORD has wrought,
5. ¹⁰Be still, and know that I am God, on earth ex - alt - ed high;



²and there - fore, though the earth gives way, we will not be a - fraid.
the ho - ly place where God the LORD Most High makes his a - bode.
• He speaks, and at his might - y voice the whole earth melts in fear.
the fear - some des - o - la - tions he to all the lands has brought.
and all the na - tions of the world my name will glo - ri - fy.



Though moun - tains fall in - to the sea, ³though wa - ters foam and roar,
⁵Since God is in her ho - ly midst, the ci - ty will not move,
• ⁷The LORD of hosts, Al - might - y God, is with us to the end,
⁹He caus - es wars to cease on earth; he breaks the bow and spear.
¹¹The LORD of hosts, Al - might - y God, is with us to the end;

we will not fear, though moun - tains quake as waves en - gulf the shore.
 for God will come at break of day; her help - er he will prove.
 • the God of Ja - cob is for us a for - tress and de - fense.
 The LORD ig - nites the char - i - ots to burn in blaz - ing fire.
 the God of Ja - cob is for us a for - tress and de - fense.

The Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon.....Colossians 1:21–22

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

***The Hymn of Response No. 498“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”**

The Encouragement to GiveMatthew 6:19–21

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The Offertory

The Old Testament Reading.....Genesis 15

The Great PrayerPastor Ryan Biese

***The Hymn.....“In Christ Alone” (p. 4)**

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

A friend of ... "sinners." Matt. 11:19

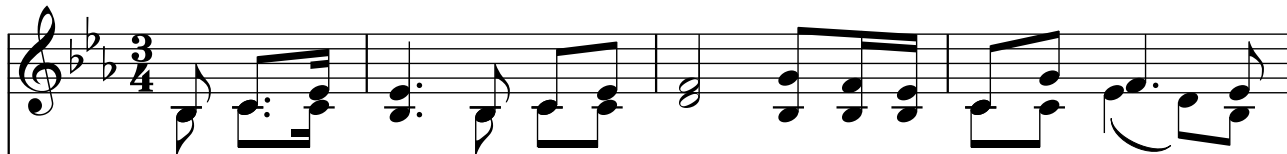
1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
 2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in him;
 3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
 4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
 5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in him I find;

friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
 tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, he, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
 e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my com - fort, helps my soul.
 storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my pi - lot, hears my cry.
 he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am his, and he is mine.

REFRAIN

Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!

Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, he is with me to the end.



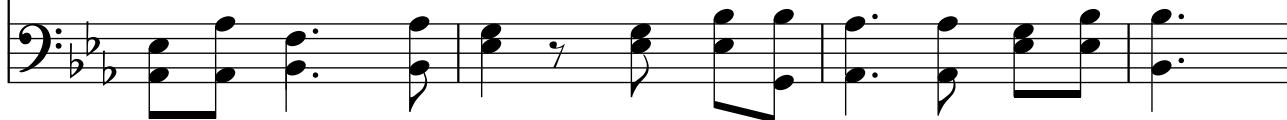
1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone! Who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the pow'r of Christ in



song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the
babel! This gift of love and righ - teous - ness, scorned by the
slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the
me. From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com -



fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,
ones he came to save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died,
grave he rose a - gain! And as he stands in vic - to - ry,
mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,



when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for -
the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry
sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am
can ev - er pluck me from his hand; 'til he re -

ter, my all in all— here in the love of Christ I stand.
sin on him was laid— here in the death of Christ I live.
his and he is mine— bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
turns or calls me home— here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese

“Arraignment” | John 18:12-18 | p. 850 | *Light Shines in the Darkness* No. 111

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

II. Main Argument

A. Preliminary Hearing (vv. 12-14)

1. Somber Soldiers (v. 12)

2. Priest Patriarch (v. 13)

3. Prophetic Son-in-Law (v. 14)

B. Unnamed Disciple (vv. 15-16)

1. Possible Identity (v. 15)

2. Duty Presumed (v. 16)

C. Disowned Lord (vv. 17-18)

1. Harmless Question (v. 17a)

2. Cowardly Answer (v. 17b)

3. Perilous Position (v. 18)

III. Conclusion

*The Psalm of Commitment No. 22.....“My God, My God”

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4. The next measure contains a half note chord of C5 and G4. The melody continues with quarter notes G4, F#4, and E4. The final measure of the first line is a half note chord of C5 and G4. The second line of the score begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4. The next measure contains a half note chord of C5 and G4. The melody continues with quarter notes G4, F#4, and E4. The final measure of the second line is a half note chord of C5 and G4. The third line of the score begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4. The next measure contains a half note chord of C5 and G4. The melody continues with quarter notes G4, F#4, and E4. The final measure of the third line is a half note chord of C5 and G4. The fourth line of the score begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4. The next measure contains a half note chord of C5 and G4. The melody continues with quarter notes G4, F#4, and E4. The final measure of the fourth line is a half note chord of C5 and G4.

1. ¹My God, my God, O why have you for - sak - en me? O why
2. ⁴Our fa - thers put their trust in you; from you sal - va - tion came.
3. ⁷All those who look at me will laugh and cast re - proach at me.
4. ⁹You took me from my moth - er's womb to safe - ty at the breast.
5. ¹³Like li - on jaws they o - pen wide, and roar to tear their prey.

are you so far from sav - ing me and from my groan - ing cry?
⁵They begged you and you set them free; they were not put to shame.
 • Their mouths they o - pen wide; they wag their heads in mock - er - y:
¹⁰Since birth, when I was cast on you, you've been my God, my rest.
¹⁴My heart is wax, my bones un - knit, my life is poured a - way.

²By day and night, my God, I call; your an - swer still de - lays,
⁶But as for me, I am a worm and not a man at all.
 • ⁸“This man has trust - ed in the LORD; let God re - demp - tion send.
¹¹Be not far off, for grief is near, and none to help is found;
¹⁵My strength is dried like shat - tered clay; my tongue sticks to my jaws;

³and yet you are the Ho - ly One who dwells in Is - rael's praise.
 To men I am de - spised and base; their scorn - ings on me fall.
 • Now let his God de - liv - er him, for he de - lights in him.”
¹²for bulls of Ba - shan cir - cle me, strong bulls do me sur - round.
 you bring me to the dust of death, and there you lay me down.

***The Benediction**

***The Response No. 735“The Gloria Patri”**

*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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 26, 2024

- + Evening worship continues tonight at 6:00; come and answer God's call to worship Him at the close of the Lord's Day. We will have our usual hymn sing prior to the start of evening worship; if there are any hymns you would like to sing, be ready with your requests!
- + The Ladies Brunch is June 15 at 10:30 a.m. with a speaker from *Love's Arm* in Chattanooga. A sign up sheet for items to bring is in the Fellowship Hall. Due to the nature of the topic, young ladies should not attend this event.
- + Operation Christmas Child will be collecting soap, soap holders, and washcloths until the end of May. It is also possible to give to OCC at FPFO by check so that items may be purchased in bulk at greater discounts.
- + There will be no prayer meeting or Bible Study on Wednesday this week. The covered dish supper will continue as normal. The Session will meet at 6:30 p.m. on May 29 in the Adult Sunday school room. Session meetings are ordinarily open to all members of First Presbyterian Church.

Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + 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 offering plate, by mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give.

Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:



FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

The Lord's Day

Wednesday

9:20 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)

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper

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

6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class

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

Nursery May 26: H. Rowan & C. Rowan

June 3: M. L. Wilson & L. Bible