

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | AUGUST 4, 2024 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

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



The Prelude

*The Call to Worship

~ God's People Respond to His Call to Worship ~

*The Hymn of Praise No. 111 "This Is My Father's World"

*The Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom Come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

*The Confession of Faith.....The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

~ God Calls Us to Confess Our Sins ~

The Call to Confession.....John 4:23-24

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

This Is My Father's World

Sovereign Lord ... you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. Acts 4:24

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears,
 2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the birds their car - ols raise,
 3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O let me ne'er for - get

all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
 the morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their Mak - er's praise.
 that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul - er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world: I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa - ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the
 This is my Fa - ther's world: the bat - tle is not done; Je -

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
 rus - tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - ery - where.
 sus - who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

The Confession of Sin

Eternal God: You do not change. You have revealed Yourself to us in Your Word. You call us to worship You in spirit and in truth, but we confess that we often seek to worship You not as You truly reveal Yourself, but as we imagine You to be.

We too often ask You to bless what we do, rather than seeking to do what You bless. Forgive us for seeking concessions when we should be seeking guidance. Forgive us when our worship shapes You into what we want, instead of shaping us into what You want.

Help us to meet You here, that we might humble ourselves before Your unspeakable majesty and so live for You now and forever in Christ Jesus.

The Assurance of PardonColossians 1:13-14

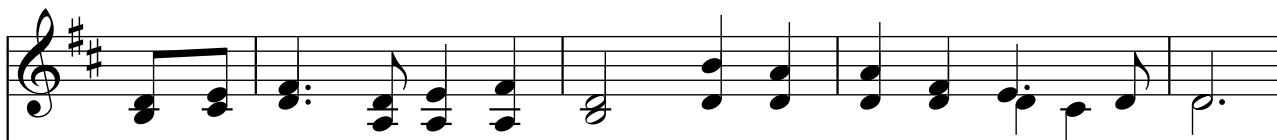
He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

~ We Respond to God's Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 103 "As A Father Shows His Love"



5. ¹³As a fa - ther shows his love un - to all his chil - dren dear,
6. So man flour - ish - es and thrives like a grow - ing mead - ow flow'r.
7. His un - fail - ing righ - teous - ness shall to chil - dren's chil - dren be,
8. ²⁰Bless the LORD, you an - gel hosts, might - y ones who do his word,



so the LORD dis - plays his love to those trust - ing him in fear.
¹⁶When the wind blows, it is gone, and its place is known no more.
¹⁸to the ones who cov - 'nant keep and his good com - mand - ments heed.
who o - bey his voice and word; ²¹all his ser - vants, bless the LORD!



¹⁴He re - mem - bers we are dust, and our fee - ble frame he knows.
¹⁷But the stead - fast love of God, shown to those who fear his name,
¹⁹God the LORD has set his throne; in the heav - ens it shall stand,
 All his hosts who do his will, ²²all his works in all his world

¹⁵As for man, his days are like ten - der grass that quick - ly grows.
 is from all e - ter - ni - ty to e - ter - ni - ty the same.
 and his sov - 'reign king - dom rules o - ver all at his com - mand.
 bless the LORD in ev - 'ry place. Come, my soul, and bless the LORD!

- The Sacrament of Baptism:** Esther Louisa Wilson
- + The Covenant Promises and Institution
 - + The Questions to the Parents and Congregation
 - + The Sign of the Covenant
 - + The Prayer of Consecration

***The Baptismal Psalm No. 364 "Let Children Hear" (Psalm 78:1-7)**

The Encouragement to Give John 7:37-38

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

The Great Prayer Pastor Ryan Biese

~ God Speaks to Us in His Word ~

***The Hymn No. TH2 "O Worship the King"**

The Sermon Pastor Ryan Biese

"The Miscalculation" | John 19:1-6 | p. 851 | *Light Shines in the Darkness* No. 119

O Worship the King

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. Ps. 145:10

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly
 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your
 4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the
 light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep
 pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a
 air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -

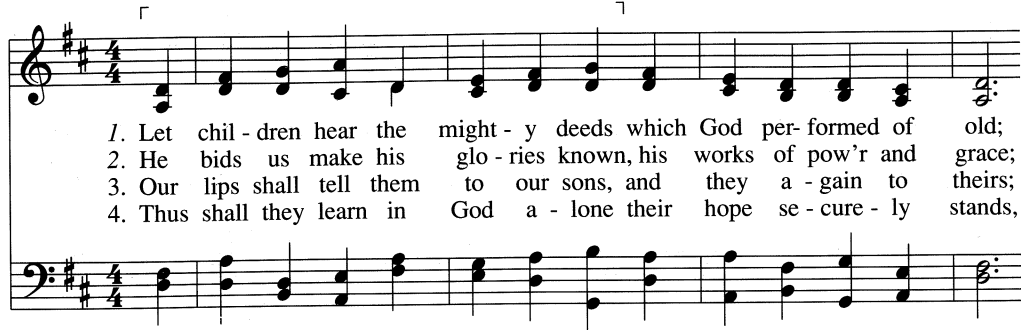
An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
 change - less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 scends to the plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

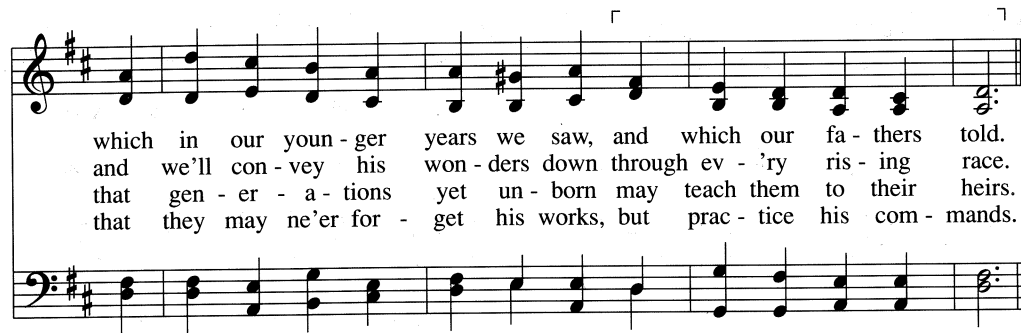
6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn you above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

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Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds

O my people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth. Ps. 78:1


1. Let chil - dren hear the might - y deeds which God per - formed of old;
 2. He bids us make his glo - ries known, his works of pow'r and grace;
 3. Our lips shall tell them to our sons, and they a - gain to theirs;
 4. Thus shall they learn in God a - lone their hope se - cure - ly stands,



which in our youn - ger years we saw, and which our fa - thers told.
 and we'll con - vey his won - ders down through ev - 'ry ris - ing race.
 that gen - er - a - tions yet un - born may teach them to their heirs.
 that they may ne'er for - get his works, but prac - tice his com - mands.

I. **Introduction:**

II. **Main Argument**

A. Manipulation (vv. 1-3)

1. Punishment

2. Mocking

B. Guiltless (v. 4)

1. Intention

2. Innocence

C. Behold the Man (v. 5)

1. Ridiculous

2. Ecce homo

D. Bloodlust (v. 6a)

1. Grave Miscalculation

2. Smell of Blood

E. Resignation (v. 6b)

1. Exasperation

2. Firmness

3. Refusal

III. Conclusion

~ God's People Respond to His Word ~

*The Hymn of Response No. 248 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

~ 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)

~ God Blesses His People ~

The Benediction

*The Response No. 733 "The Doxology"

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

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Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
 2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
 3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
 4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
 5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,

that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
 A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
 • the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
 thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
 I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy

rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 • tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
 an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

BAPTISM AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

This morning we have the joy to witness the baptism of two of our covenant children:

Esther Louisa Wilson

Baptism is one of two sacraments given by Christ to His Church in the New Testament. The word *baptism* means *wash*. There were many ritual washings under the Old Testament. The Lord Jesus instated a New Testament baptism commanding His disciples to go to all the nations, make disciples, teach them to obey all His commands, and baptize them into the Name of the Triune God.

Baptism is a sign and seal of the Covenant of Grace; it both *signifies* (illustrates and portrays) the benefits of the covenant as well as *seals* (assures or confirms the genuineness of) the grace offered and promised in the Covenant of Grace: union with Christ in His death and resurrection for His people through His Holy Spirit as well as cleansing from sin.

It is the *grace* signified in baptism that saves, not the *act* of being baptized. As such, baptism does not cause a person to be born again, infuse a person with grace, wash away original sin, or guarantee or contribute to salvation.

Baptism publicly declares and marks a person out as belonging to Christ's covenant people and distinguishes him or her from the world. For all people, baptism is a call to embrace by faith the promises offered in the sacrament. Baptism is the beginning of Christian discipleship and should be improved throughout one's life by killing our sinful desires and living to righteousness and obedience more and more through faith in Christ.

Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself.

Acts 2:38-39

¹Praise Je - ho - vah, all ye na - tions, all ye peo - ple praise pro - claim;

²for his grace and lov - ing - kind - ness O sing prais - es to his name.

For the great - ness of his mer - cy con - stant praise to him ac - cord;

ev - er - more his truth en - dur - eth; hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 4, 2024

- + The July/August collection for Operation Christmas Child is black pens, spiral notebooks (to fit shoebox), colored pencils, scissors, and marbles & shooters.
- + The **Covenant College Church Fair** is **August 24**. Please contact John Porter if you are interested and willing to help represent FPFO to the new students.
- + The Session has scheduled a **Congregational Meeting** for **August 25** following evening worship for the purpose of considering whether to elect Mr John Taylor to the office of Ruling Elder by this congregation. Please be in prayer for the meeting.
- + There will be no regular prayer meeting or children's activities on **Wednesday, August 7** due to the Session and WIC meetings starting at **6:30 p.m.** Midweek **Supper** will start as normal at **5:55 p.m.** please bring a dish to share.

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 box at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give

Youth & Adult Sunday School
The Apocalypse & the Letters
to the Seven Churches
Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

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: Aug. 4: B. Rowan & T. Keller

Aug. 11: S. Taylor & E. Wilson