

*FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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200TH ANNIVERSARY



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 30, 2022 – 10:30 AM

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements-Thank you for joining us for this morning's worship service. We are glad to have you here! If this is your first time visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's form, found in the back of most pews. We would be pleased to add you to our email list, too. Please use your discretion with masking. Again, welcome!

Prelude

"Chorale Prelude"

Healey Willian

Choral Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn 664

"Morning Has Broken"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession-followed by a time for silent confession and prayer

Almighty God, we confess that we cannot see your image in each and every one of our neighbors. We call each other "sinner"; you call us by our names. We misjudge one another, we underestimate ourselves, and we undervalue creation. Pardon us, Holy One, by your grace. Reveal to us your vision for the world that we may see all people through eyes of care and hearts of compassion.

Assurance of God's Grace

This is what God's love is like:
You are forgiven before asking.
You are saved without condition.
You are loved beyond measure.
Rejoice in the gospel!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

"Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

Ippolitof-Ivanof

Bless the Lord, O my soul; blessed art Thou, O Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul; bless the Lord and forget not all His benefits. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me; bless His holy name.

He is gracious and plenteous in mercy. He crowneth thee with loving kindness. He will not always chide nor keep His wrath forever.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me; bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

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-Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

First Lesson

Habakkuk 1: 1-4 & 2: 1-4

The prophecy that Habakkuk the prophet received. How long, Lord, must I call for help, but you do not listen? Or cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not save? Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrongdoing? Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and conflict abounds. Therefore, the law is paralyzed, and justice never prevails. The wicked hem in the righteous, so that justice is perverted.

Then the Lord replied: I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint. Then the Lord replied:

"Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it lingers, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay. See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright – but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness.

Hymn 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Second Lesson

Luke 19: 1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see him over the crowd. So, he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So, he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now, I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Sermon

"Up a Tree"

Rev. Steve Frazier

Hymn 265

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

Benediction

Congregational Meeting –

To receive the Elder Nominating Committee's report and elect the Class of 2025

Postlude

"Fidellis Servus"

Dom Paul Benoit

If you would like prayer for yourself or someone you know, please come forward to pray with our Pastor.



Church Staff

Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor
Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music
Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

First Presbyterian Church's Peace, Love and a Bag of Chips is looking for new/gently-used t-shirts and sock donations, as well as reading glasses. There will be a collection bin placed in the Courtyard Lobby. "And he would answer and say to them, "The man who has two tunics is to share with him who has none; and he who has food is to do likewise." -Luke 3:11 Also, there is an urgent need for additional FPC volunteers to be on hand between 3:30-5:00 pm on Sundays. Most weeks, it simply requires someone willing to be on-site, greet the partner church volunteers who have prepared and will serve the meal, then locking up afterward (including the Courtyard). At least 1 (and often 3) FPC veterans are there each week, too. We're all in this together! Anyone interested in learning the (very minimal) ropes, please see Oralie Wilhite, Mary Ann Taylor or Sue Fay.

In the name of Jesus Christ, welcome to this morning's service of worship. Thank you for helping us maintain social distancing and a clean worship environment. Until the Corona Virus is no longer a health threat, we are participating in a more limited liturgy.

Week of October 30- Prayers of the People

- Mary Lemming
- Frances Hasty
- Paul Butler
- Lane Pittman
- Agnes McFadden
- Alice Simpson
- Beth, friend of Mary Ann Taylor
- Karen Diggs
- Emily Bond
- Linda Thompson
- Monica Manley
- Those who have COVID

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Kyle McCormick
2 Mary Ann Taylor
3 Michele Graupmann
3 Barbara Bond
11 Robby Pond
14 Merle Gootee, III
16 Amanda McCormick
21 Todd Taylor
21 Gail Pittman
24 John Fay
28 Nancy Ward
30 Toni Rutsch
30 Tom Goolsby
31 Matthew Goodrich