



First Presbyterian Church

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

Sunday School 9:30-10:15

Worship Service - 10:30

Gathered as God's People

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the red friendship pad at the end of each pew, so we will know who is worshipping with us today.

Prelude

God's Time is Best

J. S. Bach

*Call to Worship

One: Let us begin by reminding ourselves that it is not we who chose Christ,

Many: but Christ who chose us,

One: That we are not here because of our goodness

Many: but because of Christ's grace,

One: That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,

Many: but to allow Christ to enlighten us,

One: that we have not come to be entertained

Many: but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

*Hymn 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

DARWALL's 148th

*Prayer of Adoration

Pat Bridges

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 121

OT p. 571

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that sometimes we do not even know what to confess. Sometimes we are so consumed with our own burdens that we are unable to see the needs of others, the harm that we cause without intent, or the opportunity to love as we have been loved. Forgive us of these sins and open our eyes to see your grace and know your love in Jesus Christ our Lord. (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*Gloria 581

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.***

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

Many: And also with you.

Children's Conversation

(Children through age five may leave the sanctuary for Children's Activity Time, and they may be picked up in the nursery after the 10:30 worship service)

Proclaiming God's Word

Anthem

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in Thy name,
Two or three are met together Thou art in the midst of them;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now Thy garment's hem.
As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit Thou our friendship up.
All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of Thee,
That by caring, helping, giving we may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve Thee faithfully.*

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Reading

1 Kings 18:21-39

OT p. 325

Meditation

Summer Settings: Mountains

Rev. Sarah Bird Kneff

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*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: O Lord, your goodness reaches as high as clouds are soaring

Ludwig van Beethoven

*Doxology 607

OLD 100TH

*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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of Bread and Cup

Prayer

*Hymn 546

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn 748

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON

(please remain standing as we sing together)

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.**

Postlude

Rigaudon from Water Music Suite

G.F. Handel

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Shealy Reiser by Nancy Reiser.

*Please stand as able

Music Notes:

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Prayer List

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of Beverly Pigg, who joined the Church triumphant on May 27, 2024.

Paul Ludwig, Will Dale, Betty Sloan, McKenzie Baxter, Sam Duncan, Ray Messick and family, Sue Chiles, Barbara Barlar (mother of Janet McAlister), Joe Pugh (brother of Ann Lewis), Bob Sweeney, Imogene Nelson, Joe Graham III, Steve, Roger, and Gary Rampley (brothers of Betty Sloan), Kristin Gwaltney (niece of Jennie Grace Jewell).

Summer Sunday School Schedule

June 9th—August 18th

9:30-10:15

Beginning Sunday, June 9 children and youth will gather upstairs in the drama room where we will be "Digging into the Foundations of our Faith."

Adult classes will combine for the summer and will meet in the Fellowship Hall where they will be using topics from "The Wired Word."

If you have any questions, contact Susie Baxter at sbxaterfpc@gmail.com or call 388-1985 ext. 1002.



Thank you so much for the lovely salad serving set. I have enjoyed sharing my mama's home cooking with the Wednesday night crowd. This food fed our bodies, but the Christian fellowship nourished our souls. I look forward to next year's Wonderful Wednesdays and I will continue to support this important day in our church week. Brenda Callahan

Announcements

Thank you! Because of your generosity, we were able to collect \$1,765 for Inspiritus (a volunteer organization assisting with disaster relief here in Maury County). The Mission Committee also voted to give \$1,000 to support this important ministry, and the combined total of \$2,765 was sent to Inspiritus last week. Thank you!

Summer office hours 8am-3pm (Memorial Day - Labor Day)

Be part of the Choir at FPC this Summer! If you've thought about being in the Choir, returning to the Choir, or are just curious, this is the time. Starting June 9, we will practice in the Sanctuary at 9:45 each Sunday, prior to the 10:30 service. As always, talk with Nancy Reiser if you have any questions.

Vacation Bible School - June 17-20, VBS registration is up and running, you may register on our website, www.1stprescolumbia.org, or using the QR code below. Spaces are limited!



VBS is almost here! We are still in need of a few adult volunteers to serve as crew leaders, if you would like to volunteer for one day or all four we would love to have you. Contact Susie Baxter at sbaxterfpc@gmail.com or sign up online.

VBS Set Building- Saturday June 8 from 9:00-12:00.

VBS Volunteer Meeting-We will meet on **Tuesday June 11** at 10:00 PM in the Chapel.

VBS Set up/Room Decorating-Saturday, June 15 from 9:00-12:00.

Donations-We are accepting donations of goldfish, honey, fresh fruit, cheese and bread for snack time at VBS. You may drop off your donations of goldfish and honey at any time before June 17 and fresh fruit, cheese and bread during the week of VBS.

Borrow-We need to borrow a bowling ball for one day of VBS. Does anyone out there have one they would loan us?

We currently have 45 children registered for VBS. We can take up to 70 children so if you know of anyone that would like to attend send them our way.

The Harvest Share Food Pantry is in need of additional help and volunteers. We have been blessed by the Postal Services "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive but all of the food we received must be sorted and packaged for distribution. They could use some extra volunteers to help us get that done. Any help is greatly appreciated. They are open from 10:00-2:00, Monday -Friday. If someone is interested in helping, they can stop by the pantry, call 931-381-4285 to ask questions or schedule some time to help. Thank you so much for your continued support of the Pantry!

JUNE BENEVOLENCE SPOTLIGHT

The Family Center has long been a mission partner of First Presbyterian Church. One of our elders, Dawn Taylor, is even serving as Executive Director. The Family Center provides the community with temporary economic assistance and opportunities that foster healthy lives and home environments.

During the month of June, we will participate in the annual Cereal Drive. The goal is that over the summer (May 1 – August 31) each child will have a box of cereal to take home. There will be a donation area set up in the Gathering Space, so please pick up an extra box of cereal on your next trip to the grocery store.

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