

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRIST IS PREEMINENT

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IN PREPARATION

Though storms rage within and around us, we have the assurance that our God, the Mighty Fortress, still rules and reigns on heaven's throne. Our deepest fears may become reality, but Jesus is still kind and strong. A tempest may suddenly come upon us, which may cause us to doubt the graciousness of God, but through it all, the priestly blessing still applies to those who are in covenant with God: The Lord blesses us and causes His face to shine upon us. With God's face shining upon us, we call others to join us in giving praise to Christ.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Welcome, Announcements, & Congregational Greeting

Gospel Greeting

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come – this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Scripture Meditation: *Psalm 22:27*

(Recite in Unison)

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

Introit & Silent Preparation

* Call to Worship: *Psalm 67:4–5*

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*

All: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

* Prayer of Invocation

* *Doxology* – Trinity Hymnal #731

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.

* Please stand if you are able.

* *Ancient of Days* – Sing! Hymnal #41



1. Though the na - tions rage, king - doms rise and fall, there is still one
2. Though the dread of night o - ver - whelms my soul, he is here with
3. Though I may not see what the fu - ture brings, I will watch and



King reign - ing o - ver all. So I will not fear, for this truth re -
me - I am not a - lone. Oh, his love is sure, and he knows my
wait for the Sav - ior King. Then, my joy com - plete, stand - ing face to



mains: that my God is the An - cient of Days.
name, for my God is the An - cient of Days. None a - bove him,
face in the pres - ence of the An - cient of Days.



none be - fore him; all of time in his hands. For his throne, it shall re -



main and ev - er stand. All the pow - er, all the glo - ry, I will





trust in his name, for my God is the An-cient of Days.

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ANCIENT OF DAYS
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** Be Unto Your Name*



1..We are a mo - ment, You are for-ev - er, Lord of the ag - es, God be-fore
 2..We are the bro - ken, You are the Heal- er, Je- sus, Re - deem- er, Might-y to



time. We are a va - por, You are e - ter - nal, Love ev - er - last - ing,
 save. You are the Love song, we'll sing for-ev - er, Bow - ing be - fore You,

CHORUS



Rein - ing on high. Ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y,
 bless - ing Your name.



Wor - thy is the Lamb who was slain; High - est prais - es, hon - or and glo - ry



be un - to Your name. be un - to Your name.



be un - to Your name. be un - to Your name.

Reading of Scripture: *Romans 3:21-26*

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Corporate and Personal Confession of Sin

(Recite in Unison)

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake. Forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever from now on serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

~ Book of Common Prayer

Assurance of Pardon: *Psalms 51:7*

(Recite in Unison)

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Giving of Tithing & Offerings

Choir: Total Praise

*** 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.

The Pastoral Prayer: *Revelation 7:9-10*

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

The Lord's Prayer

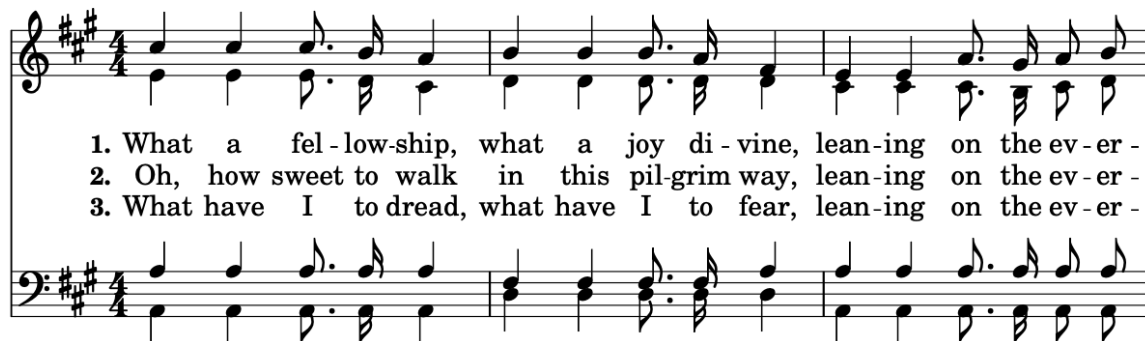
(Recite in Unison)

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

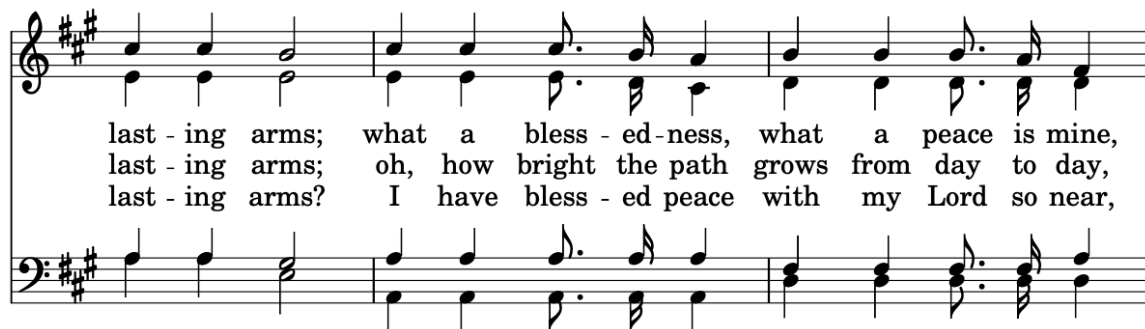
The Children's Sermon

*** Children Dismissed for Children's Bible Study***

* *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* – Trinity Hymnal #616



1. What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er -
2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er -
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,

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Anthony J. Showalter, 1887

* Prayer of Illumination & The Reading of God's Word

The Preaching of God's Word

PSALM 67 – AS GOD'S FACE SHINES UPON US, LET US CALL THE NATIONS TO WORSHIP

* *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death* – Sing! Hymnal #183



1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-lone.
2. What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is good.
3. Un-to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"



What is our on-ly con-fi-dence? That our souls to him be-long.
Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's blood.
And what re-ward will heav-en bring? Ev-er-last-ing life with him.



And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un-to the shore, the rock of Christ?
and we will feast in end-less joy, when Christ is ours for-ev-er-more.



Oh, sing hal-le-lu-jah! Our hope springs e-ter-nal; oh, sing hal-le-lu-jah!



Now and ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

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CHRIST, OUR HOPE
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*** Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26**

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

*** Threefold Amen – Trinity Hymnal #740**

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

*** Postlude & Dismissal**

DANISH
 Anon.

While the gathering has ended, service to Christ continues; let us go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit, serving our Lord as His ambassadors!

PRAYER REQUESTS

****If you have a prayer request, please submit it to Jeni Hartley at jhartley@fpcden.org****

Our Congregation

- Frank Parker
- Stuart Peele
- Jonathan Smith
- Rick & Debbie Taylor
- Tristen Wittman and the 109th MP Battalion

Our Missionaries

- Stephanie Black – Evangelical Presbyterian Church
- Ben and Ellie Childs – Evangelical Presbyterian Church
- Al and Joy Doomy – Outreach to Asia Nationals
- Bradley and Jessica Long – Frontier Fellowship
- Brent and Marianne Pilson – Café 1040

Operation World – Haiti

Tyranny, cruelty, and spiritual bondage fill Haiti's history. The Spanish genocide against the indigenous Arawaks, Spanish and then French slavery, and Haiti's own brutal leaders promoted a spirit of violence for centuries. Voodoo (a religion of spirits) creates fear throughout society. Many Catholics practise some voodoo. Pray that the power of the Holy Spirit might overcome the forces of evil. Pray for the Holy Spirit to cleanse the Church. Ask God to bind the powerful spirits underlying voodooism in Jesus' name, so the nation can be wholly dedicated to the Lord.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Question & Answer #3

Question: From where do you know your sins and misery?

Answer: From the Law of God.

Father, help us to be a God-glorifying, Christ-exalting, Spirit-led, Bible-saturated, Mission-driven, and Fellowship-focused people.

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

The Lord's Supper

Our next celebration of the Lord's Supper will be on July 5.

Session

Bruce Nooe – Stated Clerk (2027)
Kenny Mabe (2028)
Everall Peele (2028)
Bill Robertson (2028)
Carter Combs (2029)
Pastor Brad Milks

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Ministries

Sunday School | Sunday 9:00am
Public Worship | Sunday 10:00am
The Pastor's Study | Wednesday 10:00am
Church Prayer | Wednesday 6:30pm
Choir Practice | Wednesday 7:00pm
Puritan Fellowship | Thursday 7:00am
Women Bible Study | Thursday 6:45pm
Romans Bible Study | Saturday 7:15am

Stewardship – Thru April

Operational Budget

YTD Received \$93,597.15
YTD Expenses \$110,556.36
Budget YTD -\$16,959.21

Building Fund

Building Need: \$55,554.69
Building Received: \$48,640
Building YTD -\$6,914.69

Pennies for Hunger Offering (Missions/Outreach)

Sunday, July 5

Sign Up for Our Emails

Scan the code with your phone and sign up to receive our emails.



NEW TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

We are thankful that you have gathered with us this morning to worship the living triune God, seeing and savoring His glorious grace in the Gospel of Jesus Christ! We pray you encounter the Lord's presence and glory through singing, the fellowship of God's people, and the preaching of His Word.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Block Party! The Missions and Outreach Committee is thrilled to announce that we will have a block party on Saturday, August 1, from 4:00-8:00pm. Our desire is to reach the apartment complexes behind our property; to show them we love them, and to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them. We will have more details coming in the near future, but for now, put aside this date!

July Discipleship Nights. We are excited to once again offer Wednesday evening discipleship nights in July. We will provide more information in June. If you would like to help, please contact Jennifer Shafer.

Sign up for FPC's Newsletter. Please go to www.fpcden.org to sign up for our weekly newsletter. Each week, we send out the worship folder prior to the service to help us all prepare to meet with God Almighty. You may also scan the QR in the worship folder.

To parents with children: We are glad you, your family, and your children are here this morning. Children are a blessing from the Lord. Sometimes they wiggle and squirm throughout the service. Children are not a distraction to the church. They are a gift from the Lord.

To children: If you want to doodle all over this bulletin – go for it! We are glad you are with us.