



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRIST IS PREEMINENT

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IN PREPARATION

The seven signs in John's Gospel reveal that Jesus is the true Son of God and Messiah who has come into the world to save sinners from sin. The feeding of the 5,000 is, apart from the resurrection, the only miracle recorded in all four Gospels. There is much to learn from these verses, including the reality that Jesus entirely satisfies those who come to Him. Do we seek contentment in relationships, money, selfish ambitions, careers, nobility, or notoriety rather than in Christ alone?

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: *Matthew 21:11*

(Recite in Unison)

And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

Introit & Silent Preparation

* Call to Worship: *Psalms 100:4-5*

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

* 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.

* *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* – Trinity Hymnal #296

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;
 3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,
 4. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
 ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod, and crown him Lord of all;
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
 go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;

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 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
 go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe.
 and crown him Lord of all;
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all.

6. O that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall;
 we'll join the everlasting song,
 and crown him Lord of all;
 we'll join the everlasting song,
 and crown him Lord of all.

* *The Steadfast Love of the Lord* – Sing! Hymnal #603

The stead - fast love of the Lord nev - er ceas - es, his

mer - cies nev - er come to an end.

They are new ev - 'ry morn - ing, new ev - 'ry morn - ing;

great is thy faith - ful - ness, O Lord, great is thy faith - ful - ness.

Words: Edith McNeill (Lamentations 3:22-23)

Music: Edith McNeill

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STEADFAST LOVE

Reading of Scripture: *Romans 3:27-31*

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

Corporate and Personal Confession of Sin

(Recite in Unison)

We have great reason, O Lord, to be humbled before you, on account of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, the disorder and irregularity of our lives, and the prevalence of worldly affections within us. Too often have we indulged the tempers which we ought to have subdued, and have left our duty unperformed. O Lord, be merciful to us for your Son Jesus Christ's sake. Produce in us deep repentance, and a lively faith in that Savior who has died for our sins, and risen again for our justification. Amen.

~ *Henry Thornton*

Assurance of Pardon: *Romans 5:6-8*

(Recite in Unison)

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Giving of Tithing & Offerings

Choir: Jesus Saves

*** 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.

*** Responsive Reading: *Psalms 1***

The Pastor's Prayer

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.

* *Glorify Thy Name* – Sing! Hymnal #44

1. Fa - ther, we love you, we wor-ship and a - dore you,
2. Je - sus, we love you, we wor-ship and a - dore you, glo-ri-fy thy
3. Spir - it, we love you, we wor-ship and a - dore you,

Eb Fsus F Bb Eb D

name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - ri - fy thy

Gm Eb F7 Bbsus Bb

name, glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

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

The Preaching of God's Word

JOHN 6:1-15 – THE THIRD SIGN: JESUS FEEDS THE FIVE THOUSAND

* *Join All the Glorious Names* – Trinity Hymnal #301

1. Join all the glo - rious names of wis - dom, love, and pow'r,
 2. Great Proph - et of my God, my tongue would bless thy name:
 3. Je - sus, my great High Priest, of - fered his blood and died;
 4. Thou art my Coun - sel - or, my pat - tern, and my Guide,
 5. My Sav - ior and my Lord, my Con - qu'ror and my King,

that ev - er mor - tals knew, that an - gels ev - er bore: all are too
 by thee the joy - ful news of our sal - va - tion came, the joy - ful
 • my guilt - y con - science seeks no sac - ri - fice be - side: his pow'r - ful
 and thou my Shep - herd art; O keep me near thy side; nor let my
 thy scap - ter and thy sword, thy reign - ing grace, I sing: thine is the

poor to speak his worth, too poor to set my Sav - ior forth.
 news of sins for - giv'n, of hell sub - dued and peace with heav'n.
 • blood did once a - tone and now it pleads be - fore the throne.
 feet e'er turn a - stray to wan - der in the crook - ed way.
 pow'r; be - hold I sit in will - ing bonds be - neath thy feet.

*** Benediction: *Ephesians 3:17-19***

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Amen.

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

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Threefold Amen'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - - - men.' are written below the treble staff. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a final cadence.

*** 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@jfbceden.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 – India

Amidst all the suffering in India, it is women and children who suffer the most. Pray for state programs and loving Christian ministries to address these desperate needs. Pray that God will change attitudes and practices in society to reflect His care for women and children. Of the 400 million children, possibly up to 35 million are orphans. 11 million are abandoned (90% are girls). 3 million live on the streets. Some families sell children into slavery to pay off family debts. Two-thirds of all children suffer physical abuse, and half suffer some kind of sexual harassment or abuse. Over 1 million end up in prostitution (mostly Nepalis and Bangladeshis).

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Question & Answer #4

Question: What does the Law of God require of us?

Answer: Christ teaches us in sum in Matthew 22: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment; and the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.”

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 May

Operational Budget

YTD Received \$113,430.18
YTD Expenses \$130,551.78
Budget YTD -\$17,121.60

Building Fund

Building Need: \$60,071.10
Building Received: \$51,187.60
Building YTD -\$8,883.50

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!

Supplies Needed: 1. Name-brand drinks, 2. Desserts that are placed in individual baggies, 3. Chips, 4. EZ pop-up canopy/tents, and 5. School Supplies (Zippered pouch pencil bags, Glue sticks, Wide/College ruled notebook paper, black ink pens, highlighters, 16 or 24 count Crayons, 2 pocket folders, Hand sanitizers, Kleenex, Child-sized blunt end scissors, and Clorox wipes. For more information, please contact Paul Sasser.

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.

Childs Family Visit. We are excited to announce that the Childs family will be visiting us the first weekend of August during the Block Party and Public Worship. During the Sunday School hour, they will give the church an update on their ministry in Pakistan. We will also have a covered-dish lunch afterward, so you can get to know them better (Ben, Ellie, and their 5 children!) and encourage them. Make sure you set aside August 2, 2026, for this special occasion.

Parents' Night Out. On June 26, 5:30-8:00pm, childcare will be provided at the church so that parents can enjoy a night out together. For more information, please contact Jennifer Shafer.

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.