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# Service of the Lord's Day

June 13, 2021

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

## Prelude Meditation in G S. Peberdy

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

## \*Hymn #420: God of Grace and God of Glory

**CWM Rhondda** 

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy pow'r.

Crown thine ancient church's story, bring its bud to glorious flow'r.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,

for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore. Let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

## Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

God of abundant grace, we confess that we have often elevated the things of this world above you. We have made idols of possessions and people and used your name for causes that are not consistent with you and your purposes. We have permitted our schedules to come first and have not taken the time to worship you fully. We have not always honored those who guided us in life. We have participated in systems that take life instead of give it. We have been unfaithful in our covenant relationships. We have yearned for, and sometimes taken, that which is not ours, and we have misrepresented others' intentions. Forgive us, God, for the many ways we fall short of your glory. In your great love, fill us with the gift of your abundant grace. Through Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation;

the old life has gone, and a new life has begun.

All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

\*Gloria Patri Hymn #579

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.

## \*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 14

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.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment Kathleen Lifsey

**Prayer for Illumination** 

New Testament Reading: Mark 4:26-34 (pew Bible NT, p. 38)

"Kingdom Stories Worth Retelling"

Peter Thompson

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn #467: How Great Thou Art

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O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works thy hands hath made; I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

## [Refrain]

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

## Prayers of the People and 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.** 

Call to Offering Offertory Anthem

## **Be Thou My Vision**

D. Dobrinsky

Cory Whittier, Bell Tree; Claudia Patterson, Piano

\*Doxology Hymn #592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

\*Prayer of Dedication

### WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

\*Hymn #485: To God Be the Glory

To God be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he hath done: so loved he the world that he gave us his son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

## [Refrain]

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to ev'ry believer the promise of God.

The vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son, but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

\*Benediction and Sharing the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

Postlude Trumpet Voluntary J. Stanley

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#### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, June 13

4:30pm Walk with God (Front Parking Lot)

Tuesday, June 15

7:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting (Officers' Room)

Wednesday, June 16

12:30 p.m. Al-Anon (Martin-Gifford Room)

Thursday, June 17

7:00 a.m. Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study (Martin-Gifford Room)

Sunday, June 20

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!** 

9:00 a.m. Outside Worship

10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary, radio, & livestream)

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Pastor on Call: Peter Thompson (336) 269-7270

Members Helping Members for June: Jackie Hill (434) 384-3748 and Ida Perkins (434) 258-8873

Become a FPCLY Bible Detective this summer! We have packets for children from 5-years-old through youth who have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade that include six cases to solve of who is who from the Bible. This activity is in place of our traditional Vacation Bible School, which we will not be hosting this summer primarily due to construction projects in and around our building. Families can pick the week that it is convenient for them to crack the case together. Want one for yourself? For your grandchildren coming to visit? Or maybe some neighborhood friends? Email <a href="mailto:Kathleen@fpcly.org">Kathleen@fpcly.org</a> or <a href="mailto:Communications@fpcly.org">Communications@fpcly.org</a> with your request, including the age of the recipient to ensure the age-appropriate packet. Happy Bible sleuthing!

**Memorial Service for Joseph Paul "J.P." Vaughan** will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2021 @ 2:00 p.m. All are welcome and invited to attend this celebration of his life. A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall following.

**Interested in growing closer to God and others? How about learning more about FPCLY?** We believe we are here to worship, grow, love, and serve. We welcome any opportunities to build relationships with one another and would love to walk alongside you in God's gift of life. Conversations, coffee, and church tours can be arranged by calling the church office (434-384-6231). Peter will look forward to hearing from you and talking with you soon.

**Kingdom Stories Worth Retelling** is our Summer Sermon Series for 2021. From June 13 to September 5, the Gospel of Mark and the Gospel of John will reveal a series of stories teaching us about the secrets of the Kingdom of God and the good news of Jesus. There is no doubt these stories are worth retelling to our children and to others, but to retell them we must know them to begin with.

Summer Spiritual Growth Opportunity July 11 to August 1: One of the primary functions of the Church is in the arena of outreach to the community, both locally and beyond. This outreach encompasses a wide range of "activity," from simply being a listening ear and partnering member all the way up through direct service. But the outreach of the Church will only hit the mark of transformative change and reconciliation demonstrated by Christ when we first understand the "why's" of outreach before diving into the "how's." In this 4-week series we will explore the "why's" as they are exemplified in Scripture, and by such organizations as the Christian Community Development Association and others. Join us for this study, conducted mostly through conversation, which will hopefully help us think afresh about what outreach could and should entail. This class will be led by Alex Collier, a former Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) with 15+ years' experience in community development, on Sunday mornings July 11 to August 1 at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Everyone interested or intrigued are invited!