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Father's Day

June 20, 2021

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Children are welcome and encouraged to remain in Worship. If needed, Nursery is available for ages 0 to 3. Please ask an usher or greeter if you need any assistance locating the Nursery.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

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W. H. Harris

Welcome and Announcements

*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.

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.

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.

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.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. You alone know how often we have trembled in fear, been overcome by worry, and paralyzed by the sights and sounds of the world crashing around us. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you, and for the things we have not done that displease you. Forgive us and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways. Forgive us and help us to trust in your power and lean on your peace. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, 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 4:35-41

(pew Bible NT, p. 39)

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

"Kingdom Stories Worth Retelling"

Peter Thompson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #404: Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

Precious Lord

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near; When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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**

How Can I Keep From Singing?

B. Ellingboe

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real, tho' far off, hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?
Thru' all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing!
It sounds and echoes in my soul. How can I keep from singing?
What tho' the tempest 'round me roar, I hear the truth. It liveth.
What though the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night, it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

***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 #540: God Be With You Till We Meet Again**

Randolph

God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; Unseen wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; When life's perils thick confound you;
Put unfailing arms around you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Strike death's threatening wave before you: God be with you till we meet again.

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

Postlude

Toccata in Seven

J. Rutter

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, June 20 - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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

Wednesday, June 23

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

Thursday, June 24

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

Sunday, June 27

9:00 a.m. Outside Worship

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

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

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

The Chancel Flowers have been given to the glory of God, in honor of The Reverend Doctor Peter A. Thompson achieving his Doctor of Ministry degree.

Become a FPCLY Bible Detective this summer! We have packets for children from 5-years-old through youth who have completed 7th 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 Kathleen@fpcly.org or Communications@fpcly.org 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 at 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.

Memorial Service for Carolyn Marie Carroll Sparks will be held on Friday, July 16, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome and invited to attend this celebration of her life. A reception will be held in the Narthex 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!

***Many events, programs, and meetings are occurring at FPCLY;
we encourage you to view the church calendar on www.fpcly.org for all the upcoming activities. ***