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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.**

Intro to the Hymn

*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

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment

Kathleen Lifsey

Intro to the Anthem

Cory Whittier

Choral Anthem

And Can it Be?

D. Forrest

*And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain? For me who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?*

*He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.
And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?*

*No condemnation no I dread; Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne, And claim the crown through Christ my own.
Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Amazing love!*

Intro to the Hymn: Gail Kowalski

*Hymn: In the Garden

Garden

*I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.*

*Refrain: And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.*

*He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing. [Refrain]*

*I'd stay in the garden with Him
Though the night around me be falling;
But He bids me go— through the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling. [Refrain]*

Intro to the Hymn: Marcia Thom-Kaley

***Hymn: His Eye is on the Sparrow**

His Eye is on the Sparrow

*Why should I feel discouraged, Why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely, And long for heav'n and home;
When Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is he;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me.*

*Refrain: I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free; For his eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.*

*"Let not your heart be troubled," His tender word I hear,
And resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path he leadeth, But one step I may see;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me. [Refrain]*

*Whenever I am tempted, Whenever clouds arise;
When songs give place to sighing, When hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him, From care he sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, And I know he watches me. [Refrain]*

Intro to the Hymn: Diane Stroud

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

Precious Lord

*Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, let me stand
I am tired, I'm 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*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Minute for Mission

Alex Collier

Intro to Anthem and Call to Offering

Offertory Anthem

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

Cory Whittier

Woodworth

Text to Hymn #370

Intro to the Hymn

***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

Intro to the Hymn

***Hymn: Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Faithfulness

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever will be.*

*Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

P. Lutkin

Postlude

Postlude on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

C. Phillips

Share the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

Worship Leader: Denise McDonald

Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Scott Reams by Phil and Gwen Reams Maddox.

Upcoming *Worship and Music* Opportunities:

Outside Worship with Word and Prayer - Next Sunday @ 8:30 am - Front Parking Lot

Service of the Lord's Day Worship - Next Sunday @ 10:30 am - Sanctuary, Video, Radio

Chancel Ringers - Rehearsal on Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:15 pm - 2nd Floor Gathering Room

Chancel Choir - Rehearsal on Thursdays from 7:15 to 9 pm- Choir Room, Sundays from 9:30 to 10:10 am - Sanctuary

First Pres Presents: Farewell to the Organ Recital - Saturday, October 16, 2021 @ 4 pm - Sanctuary

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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/or church tours can be arranged by calling or emailing Peter at the church office (434-384-6231, peter@fpclly.org).

Opportunities to *Grow*:

Cider Sundays in October - Sunday mornings following Outside Worship 9:00 to 9:30 a.m.

For children, youth & grown-ups. (please wear play clothes) Fun, Fellowship & yes, Cider!

Adult Bible Class - Sunday mornings, 9:15 to 10:10 a.m. beginning September 12

Teachers are Beth and Gary Williams

Study sources include Scripture and *Unshakable Hope: Building our Lives on the Promises of God* by Max Lucado. (Zoom Option)

Exploring God through Art (6-week workshop) - Sunday evenings, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.- Fellowship Hall
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Walk with God - Sunday evenings in September, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Leaders are Noel and Bob Thomas
Devotion and 45-minute walk on Peakland Place- All level of walkers welcome!!!

Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study - Thursday mornings, 7:00 a.m.
Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson
Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other brothers in Christ! (Zoom Option)

Immerse Bible Study - Wednesday mornings, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. beginning September 15
Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson
Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other sisters and brothers in Christ! (Zoom Option)

Opportunities to *Love* :

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

Members Helping Members for October: Sheila Modjeska (434) 384-2021 and Sue Thornton (434) 384-5299

Prayer Chain, Prayer Shawls, Cards of Encouragement: Email peter@fpcly.org or stroudiane@comcast.net

Opportunities to *Serve* :

Food for Thought Packing Event: Saturday, October 23 @ 9:30 a.m. @ The Plaza, Contact Gary Williams if interested.

Trunk or Treat!: Sunday, October 31, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Looking for Trunk hosts, Contact Alex Collier to be a host

Share the Warmth: Winter Clothing Drive supporting *One Community, One Voice* now through Thanksgiving. Drop off new or gently used coats, gloves, scarves, hats, and belts for all ages in the church foyer.

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