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Worship... Service of the Lord's Day

October 17, 2021

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Children are welcome and encouraged to remain in Worship. If needed, Nursery (in Room 8) is available for children under 3. Please ask an usher or greeter if you need any assistance locating the Nursery.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude **Prelude** W. H. Harris

Choral Introit **Come, Let Us Gather** Traditional

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn #554: Let All Things Now Living** Ash Grove

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our creator triumphantly raise:
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth I the night
Till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into light

By law God enforces the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and foundations, the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing with glad adoration, a song let us raise;
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving, to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.

CELEBRATING REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND BAPTISM

Reaffirmation of Faith: Emma Tinsley

Sacrament of Baptism

Robert Hatcher Tinsley
Parents: Sutton and Emma Tinsley
Elder: Kathleen Lifsey

Presentation

Questions to the Parents, Congregation, and Children

Prayer of Thanksgiving over the Water

Act of Baptism

Prayer and Welcome

Leader: Hatcher has been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. God has made him a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ.

All: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Hatcher into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support Hatcher, and his parents Sutton and Emma, to share the good news of the gospel with Hatcher, and to help him know and follow Christ.

***Hymn #304: Jesus Loves Me!**

Jesus Loves Me

*Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.*

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

*Jesus loves me! This I know, As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee, Saying, "Let them come to Me."*

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment

Kathleen Lifsey

Choral Anthem

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

C. Courtney

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
Amazing grace! Amazing grace! So vast and yet so free!
The Son of God, the righteous One, was crucified for me.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.
Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.*

New Testament Reading: Mark 10:17-31

(pew Bible NT, p. 46)

"The Time is Still Now! The Place is Still Here!"

Peter Thompson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

***Hymn: The Summons**

*Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known?
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?*

*Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?*

*Will you let the blind see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?*

*Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?*

*Lord, you summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

Minute for Mission and Call to Offering

Offertory Anthem

Nearer, My God to Thee

Arr. T. Trenney

Amy Pugh, Soloist

*Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.*

*Yea, though the vale I tread, Thou art with me. When shadows cloud my head, Thou annointest me.
Thy rod and staff shall be comfort to shepherd me
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.*

*When waters foam and roar, though mountains quake, thou art my refuge sure, though the earth should shake.
Lord, strengthen and shelter me nearer, my God to thee,
Nearer my God, nearer to thee*

***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 #391: Take My Life**

Hendon

*Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.*

*Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose,
Every power as Thou shalt choose.*

*Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.*

*Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

Threefold Amen

Traditional

Postlude

Toccata on "Hymn to Joy"

M. Thallander

Share the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

Worship Leader: Mark Strosnider

Upcoming *Worship and Music* Opportunities:

Outside Worship with Word and Prayer: Next Sunday 8:30 a.m. (Front Parking Lot)

Service of the Lord's Day Worship: Next Sunday 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary, Livestream, & Radio)

Chancel Ringers: Rehearsal on Thursdays 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. (2nd Floor Gathering Room)

Chancel Choir: Rehearsal on Thursdays 7:15 to 9:00 p.m. (Choir Room)
& Sundays 9:30 to 10:10 a.m. (Sanctuary)

All Saints Service of Remembrance: Monday, November 1, 11:00 a.m. (Columbarium)

First Pres Presents: "The King Singers" on February 25, 2022 – TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

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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 Thompson, Senior Pastor, at the church office (434-384-6231, peter@fpcly.org).

Opportunities to *Grow*:

"Cider Sundays" in October: Sunday mornings, 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. (following Outside Worship)
Fun, fellowship, and fall goodies for all grown-ups, youth, and children! (Please wear play clothes.)

Adult Bible Class: Sunday mornings, 9:15 to 10:10 a.m. (Zoom option available too)

Teachers are Beth and Gary Williams

Study sources include Scripture & *Unshakable Hope*:

Building our Lives on the Promises of God by Max Lucado.

Walk with God: Sunday evenings, 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. (Zoom Option available too)

Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson

Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other Brothers in Christ!

Immerse Bible Study: Wednesday mornings, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. (Zoom Option available too)

Leader is Rev. Dr. Peter Thompson

Explore, Discover, and Grow in God's Word with other Sisters and Brothers in Christ!

Opportunities to *Love*:

Pastor on Call: Peter Thompson 336-269-7270

Members Helping Members for October: Sheila Modjeska 434-384-2021 & 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 Outreach: 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.

Interested in hosting a trunk or table? Contact Alex Collier, Director of Outreach, alex@fpcly.org

Share the Warmth: Now through Thanksgiving!

This is a winter clothing drive supporting *One Community, One Voice* of Lynchburg.

Please drop off new or gently used coats, gloves, scarves, hats, and belts for all ages in the church foyer!

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