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# Worship... Service of the Lord's Day

August 14, 2022

*\*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 3 and under. Please ask an usher or greeter if you need any assistance locating the Nursery.*

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Prelude**

**Air I**

G. F. Handel

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Hymn 525: Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Chorus

Here am I, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Chorus

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send?

Chorus

## CELEBRATING BAPTISM

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Lacy Frances Grush

Parents: Elizabeth and Ryan Grush

Session Representatives: Judy and Richard (Dickie) Stowers

**Presentation**

**Questions to the Parents, Congregation, and Children**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving over the Water**

**Act of Baptism**

*... I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. You are now a child of the covenant, may God bless you, and keep you, and may you always be open to God's guidance.*

## Prayer and Welcome

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

**All: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Lacy 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 her, and her parents Elizabeth and Ryan, to share the good news of the gospel with them, and to help them 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.

Refrain:

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." [Refrain]

*During the 2<sup>nd</sup> verse, children preschool-2<sup>nd</sup> graders are invited to participate in a combined Worship Workshop and Gateways to Worship experience in Room 101 to learn more about the practices and purpose of worship.*

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

**New Testament Reading: Acts 9:1-9**

(pew Bible NT, p. 127)

**"Impossible Possibilities: Transformation"**

Peter Thompson

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer**

**Minute for Stewardship**

**Offertory Anthem**

**Goin' Home**

Fisher/Dvorak

*Harrison Reed, Soloist*

*Goin' home. Goin' home. I'm a-goin' home.  
Quiet-like some still day, I'm just goin' home.  
It's not far, just close by, through an open door.  
Work all done, cares laid by, goin' to roam no more;  
Mother's there 'xpecting me, father's waiting, too,  
Lots of folks gathered there, all the friends I knew.*

*Morning star lights the way, restless dream all done.  
Shadows gone, break of day, real life just begun.  
There's no break, there's no end, just a-living on;  
Wide awake, with a smile, going on and on.  
Going home. Going home, I'm just going home.  
It's not far, just close by, through an open door.*

**\*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

- 1 Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.  
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise,  
let them flow in endless praise.
- 2 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.
- 3 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.
- 4 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.
- 5 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.
- 6 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**

**Postlude**

**Rondeau**

J. Mouret

*Share the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ*

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The rosebud on the font is to announce the arrival of Mia Finley Brown born on June 29, 2022. Mia is the daughter of Amber Osinga Brown and Andrew Brown. She is the granddaughter of Jenny and John Osinga.

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God in memory and celebration of Stannard H. Preston.

## Stewardship: God wants to partner with YOU!

Laurie Sommardahl, Active Ruling Elder and FPC Weekday School Board Member, responded with the following when asked for reasons why giving financially to the church was a priority for her and her family: "We are charged to give our time, our talents, and our treasures to the church, so that's the number one reason our family gives to the church; we like to follow directions! :-) When we give our talents and time to the church, we feel doubly rewarded, so it just makes sense that when we invest financially, we feel rewarded too. Just like exercising and eating right make us feel good, so does giving financially to the church. It's just one of those habits that is good for the soul. We love our church, and we want to see it grow and last forever so that other generations can benefit."

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## Worship, Grow, Love, Serve

### **\*New\* Prayer Service- Sunday Mornings @ 8:00 a.m.- FPCLY Chapel**

All are welcome to join together for a time of prayerful worship guided by scripture readings and applicable prayers of the people and for the world. The Prayer Service will begin precisely at 8:00 a.m. and conclude around 8:30 a.m.

### **Walk with God - Today @ 10:45 a.m.**

Leaders are Noel and Bob Thomas  
Devotion and 45-minute walk on Peakland Place - All levels of walkers are welcome!!

### **GODspeaks - Sunday mornings @ 9:00 a.m.**

In this 30-minute class, our conversation will revolve around your favorite verses (GODspeaks) and how they speak into our lives. This will be *informal and interactive* in nature, so you can feel comfortable coming anytime even if you haven't been to a class before. All are welcome to attend! Facilitated by Beth & Gary Williams.  
In-person & via Zoom. **Zoom Meeting ID: 8635 324 3600 Passcode: 335664**

### **Seven Hills Concert- August 20<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

Come enjoy beautiful music by talented musicians in a beautiful space!  
The First Pres Presents Fine Arts Series is excited to host the finale of the Seven Hills Chamber Music Festival on August 20 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The program, titled "Powerful Passages," will feature works by Handel, Brahms, Tchaikovsky, and more!

### **"Let's Go!" Spark Sunday is September 11<sup>th</sup>**

It's almost time to kick-off fall programming! Are you ready? We have a full slate of Sunday and weekday opportunities for adults, youth, and children to worship, grow, love, and serve. It's going to be awesome! Stay tuned for more details and get ready for it all to begin on September 11!

**Sister Stories Luncheon – September 11 @ 12pm**

Come, let us break bread, learn about one another, and hear from guest speaker Bianca Childress as she shares a bit about her life journey from California to Lynchburg and everything in between. All are invited to this catered luncheon in the Fellowship Hall! Cost is \$10 to be collected at the door. Sign up on the sheet in the main foyer, by calling the church office, or online.

**\*\* Please view the calendar at [www.fpclly.org](http://www.fpclly.org) or call the church office for more information. \*\***

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