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

July 24, 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

Cantilène religieuse

T. Dubois

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Hymn 275: God of Our Life**

Sandon

God of our life, through all the circling years, we trust in Thee;  
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, Thy hand we see.  
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,  
We own Thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.

God of the past, our times are in Thy hand; with us abide.  
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; be Thou our Guide.  
With Thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,  
And faith's fair vision changes into sight.

God of the coming years, through paths unknown we follow Thee;  
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; our Refuge be.  
Be Thou for us in life our daily Bread,  
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are often a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we often pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies we often harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We often abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. In your faithfulness to set us free, may we then serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.**

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**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 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: Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39**

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Children's Moment**

Kathleen Lifsey

*After the Children's Moment, children preschoolers--2<sup>nd</sup> graders are invited to participate in a combined Worship Workshop experience in Room 101 to learn more about the practices and purposes of worship.*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Psalter Reading: Psalm 139:13-18**

(pew Bible OT, p. 578)

**"Impossible Possibilities: Sainthood"**

Peter Thompson

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

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

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory Anthem**

**Onward, Ye Saints**

R. Wetzler

*Summer Choir*

*Onward, ye saints, in triumph and praise, New hymns of joy to God let us raise!  
Christ bears our banner, armored in might, Leading us ever to God's throne of light.*

*Our journey o'er, in heaven we'll rest Sinless and pure, in holiness blest.  
Before God's face we'll worship and sing Songs of thanksgiving to our Lord and King!*

*Praise to the Father, praise to the Son, Praise to the Spirit, Three, yet One:  
Thou art our King; we laud and adore! Blessing and honor be Thine ever more!*

**\*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 364: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Grand Isle

I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true,  
who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew.  
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,  
and one was a shepherdess on the green;  
they were all of them saints of God, and I mean,  
God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and God's love made them strong;  
and they followed the right for Jesus' sake the whole of their good lives long.  
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,  
and one was slain by a fierce wild beast;  
and there's not any reason, no, not the least,  
why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still.  
The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.  
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,  
in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;  
For the saints of God are just folk like me,  
and I mean to be one too.

### \*Benediction

### \*Postlude

### Allegro Maestoso

G. F. Handel

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

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## Stewardship: God wants to partner with YOU!

When asked about a foundational message of grace or hope involvement in the church has taught him or equipped him with, Gary Williams said, "We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. The LORD is the one who goes ahead of us; He will be with us; He will not fail us or forsake us. We are not to fear or be dismayed. In Him, we are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit."

*How can this good news shared by Gary inspire you to give in faithful commitment to God?*

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# Worship, Grow, Love, Serve

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

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

## Summer Choir

An opportunity for anyone to participate in leading worship through song no matter your musical training!

Meet at 8:45 a.m. on the following Sundays: **August 7, August 21**

## Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study @ 8:00 a.m. (every Thursday through August 18)

This weekly Bible Study will continue throughout the summer with weekly topics chosen and led by various members of the group. The topics will focus on how God is speaking into our lives.

In-person and via Zoom. **Zoom Meeting ID: 840 2716 9088 Passcode: 883182**

## 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. All are welcome to attend!

In-person & via Zoom. **Zoom Meeting ID: 8635 324 3600 Passcode: 335664**

## FPCLY IMPACT week – THIS WEEK!!!! July 24-30

Experience a week of transformational IMPACT through service opportunities in the Lynchburg area and within our own church community. Check out all the service options and sign-up on the easels in the Narthex or bby hovering your phone over the QR code to the right. Contact Alex Collier for more info at [alex@fpcly.org](mailto:alex@fpcly.org).



## IMPACT week Pizza & Devotions – THIS WEDNESDAY, July 27 @ 5:30 p.m.

Let's come together for pizza, a short devotion, & engage in a few of our church-based IMPACT week activities. It's a great avenue for working adults and families to engage in IMPACT week outreach outside of the work day & it's a great time to be together! Sign up in the Narthex or using the QR code above.

## Hillcats Baseball Game Night – THIS SATURDAY, July 30 @ 6:30 p.m.

We're excited for a night at the ballpark as a fun time to be together in the community! All tickets will be covered by the church. We just ask you to sign up on the IMPACT week boards in the Narthex or using the QR code linked above.

## "Come and Be Fed" Fellowship Dinner Series – NEXT SUNDAY, July 31 @ 4:30 p.m.

All are invited to our last "Come and Be Fed" dinner as a time to reflect and share what we've learned from our ministry partners this summer and "IMPACT" week. Personal experiences and stories will be shared. Our potluck entrée will be ham with hot dogs for the kids. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share with 4-6 people. Children's opportunity available during the program time.

*\*\* 15 oz. cans of fruit will be collected for Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry\*\**

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

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