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Service of the Lord's Day... Youth Sunday/ Mother's Day

May 12, 2024

From the beginning of the early church, God's people have met to worship on the first day of the week, the day Christ Jesus rose from the dead. We **gather** to praise the Triune God, confess our sin, and seek God's grace. We **hear** the good news of the gospel and are invited to **respond** to that good news in prayer, mission, offering, and celebrating the Lord's Supper. We are **sent** forth to glorify God through the service of daily living.

**Those who are able, please stand.*

All are invited to join together in saying liturgy printed in bold.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Josie Milam, Lizzie Milam

Welcome, Announcements, Presentation to Mothers

Barkley Cleland

Bell Introit

Children's Sunday School Classes

***Hymn: These Treasured Children**

Puer Nobis

1. These treasured children present now, are
2. Our ancient story we shall tell, till
3. We long to trust as children do, and
4. Come, Holy Spirit, help us be a
5. Then, tender God, each child embrace. God,
3 bound to us - by sa - cred vow: with love, we make a
these our chil - dren know it well with - in their souls and
so en - trust - our days to you. In their young lives we
nur - tur - ing - com - mu - ni - ty. Em - pow - er us to
6 give them bless - ings, grant them grace. Sur - prise them, God, with
heart - felt claim to wel - come them in Je - sus' name.
minds and hearts, for this is where their jour - ney starts.
clear - ly see a les - son in hu - mil - i - ty.
re - al - ize God's king - dom through our chil - dren's eyes
won - ders still, and gen - tly guide them to your will.

CELEBRATING NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISM

Celebrating the Reception of New Members: April and Rod Shuck

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism:

Rosemary Wren Nelsen

Parents: Olivia and Graham Nelsen

Youth Representatives: Taylor Cleland, Rosa East

Presentation of Purpose and Promise

Questions to the Parents, Congregation, and Children

Sacrament of Baptism Cont'd:

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: Rosemary 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 Rosemary 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 Rosemary, and her parents Olivia and Graham, 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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Darby Byrne

New Testament Reading: John 15:12

Alex Landes

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 31 (select verses)

Cullen O'Brian

"Lessons of Love"

Eliza Rhodes, Charlie Landes, Cullen O'Brian, Darby Byrne

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Special Anthem

The Commission

Cain

Althea O'Brian & Whitney O'Brian

*See my hands and look at my feet It's okay if it's hard to believe
I have faith that you will do greater things It's my time to go, but before I leave*

*Chorus: Go tell the world about me I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while But goodbye is not the end*

*Don't forget the things that I taught you I've conquered death and I hold the keys
Where I go you will go too someday But there's much to do here before you leave so*

*Bridge: End of the journey The end of the road My spirit is with you
Wherever you go You have a purpose And I have a plan
I'll make you this promise I'll come back again But until then*

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Middle School and Confirmation Classes

Call to Offering

Meredith Borel

Offertory Anthem

Rosa East

***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*

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

***Hymn: This Little Light of Mine**

Traditional

This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine

Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine
Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine

Don't let Satan blow it out I'm gonna let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out I'm gonna let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine let it shine let it shine

Let it shine till Jesus comes I'm gonna let it shine
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***Benediction**

Postlude

Cory Whittier, Director of Music and Organist

We encourage all to share the love, joy, and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ with one another. All are also encouraged to join in the Narthex for lemonade and cookies before participating in one of the many spiritual growth opportunities available for all ages.

The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God in remembrance of Elaine Samples Lambach – Hannah Lambach's Mom, Anita Delene McAllister – Abigail McAllister's Mom, and in honor of Jess Csorba, mother of Frank Csorba by Scott and Marcia Thom-Kaley.

With Heartfelt Thanks:

Gwen Maddox and Education Initiative: Laura Crumbley, Simms Deacon, Becky Giles, Elsie Howerton, Treena Koroneos, Kathryn Overstreet, Diane Stroud... to which your support of the youth in the development and preparations of this service is greatly appreciated.



Vision: Draw Near to God

Mission: Celebrate God's Grace and Inspire the Next Generation for Christ
Worship Joyfully. Grow Spiritually. Love Boldly. Serve Faithfully.

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

For a full calendar listing and more information, please visit our website www.fpcls.org.

Sunday, May 12

- 9:30 am Worship (Youth Sunday + Baptism)
- 10:45 am Lemonade and Cookies
- 11:00 am Sunday School classes
- 4:00 pm Walk with God

Monday, May 13

- 9:00 am FPC Weekday School
- 10:00 am Presbyterian Women Circle Study
- 6:00 pm Scouts – Cub Pack 7
- 7:00 pm Scouts – Troop 7

Tuesday, May 14

- 9:00 am FPC Weekday School
- 6:00 pm Pre-K and T-K Weekday School Graduation
- 7:00 pm Scouts - Troop 49

Wednesday, May 15

- 9:00 am FPC Weekday School (last day of school)
- 12:30 pm Al-Anon meeting

Thursday, May 16

- 6:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 19

- 9:30 am Worship
- 10:45 am Lemonade and Cookies
- 11:00 am Sunday School classes (last Sunday of spring classes)
- 12:00 pm Sister Stories
- 4:00 pm Walk with God

Summer Office Hours

We have made the transition to our summer office hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm on Mondays – Thursdays with the offices closed on Fridays and Saturdays. Please keep these days and hours in mind as you make plans to come to the church to pick up or drop off items, meet with a staff member, plan for an event, program, or committee meeting, or complete other church office related tasks.

May Education Updates

- Weekday Education classes (Canterbury Crew, *Colin Caldwell* Men's Bible Study, College Cares Branches, and *Immerse* Bible Study) are on pause for the summer months. The class leaders will be praying about and discerning the next topics of discussion and study during this season.
- Sunday School classes for adults, youth, and children will conclude for the summer season NEXT Sunday, May 19th.

Notes for Today's Worship

Bulletin Cover Designers:

Gracie Baldwin, Meredith Borel

Ushers and Greeters:

Virginia Baldwin, Barkley Cleland,
Alex Landes, John Short,
supported by Sam Howe and Elsie
Howerton

Mother's Day Presentation:

George Benedikter, Haven Collier,
Josie Milam, Lizzie Milam, Sarah
Short, Ella Grace Thompson, Luke
Thompson, Sam Thompson

Children's Bell Ringers:

Peter Baldwin, Bash Benedikter,
Carrington Borel, Emmett Collier,
Abbie Ferrell, Gracyn Guthrie,
Maggie Gowen, Noah Gowen,
Alden Howe, Sawyer Howe,
Margaret Knight, William Knight,
Nash Nelsen, Rooney Nelsen,
Ray O'Brian, Noah Thompson,
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Worship, Grow, Love, Serve

Sister Stories Luncheon – NEXT Sunday, May 19 @ 12:00pm – RSVP by today!



Our lives are made up of a series of stories. Each year, our Presbyterian Women host a luncheon as a place to gather and share our stories to learn from and grow with one another. This year's featured speaker is Bonnie Miles: a faithful member of the choir, an avid traveler, and passionate about bats. She will share about her travels, life experiences, and a few things she's learned about bats and life! The catered lunch is \$10 payable at the door. **Please RSVP by today (May 12), using the QR code to the left or the sheet in the front hallway.**

Opportunity to Serve the Weekday School this week

Assistance needed! May 13, 14, and 15, we need help cleaning the Weekday School from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. The cleaning involves collecting trash, sweeping and vacuuming floors, and cleaning the restrooms. If you are able, use the QR code to the right to sign up or contact Peter.



Potluck Fellowship Dinner – May 29 @ 5:30pm

Come for an evening of food and fun with your church family as we gather for a potluck meal! You are encouraged to bring a dish (side item, dessert, or main dish) to share!

Save the Date: Reception for Cory Whittier, Director of Music/Organist – June 23

Cory's last Sunday at First Presbyterian Church is Sunday, June 23. Join us in celebrating Cory and his faithful leadership of the music ministry with a reception immediately following worship on June 23. At the reception, we will give Cory a "love offering" as we share our thanks and appreciation.

- If you wish to contribute to the "love offering," you may mail or hand deliver cash or checks to the church (attention Susan Hall) or give online at fpcly.org. You can place your gift in the offering plate, but please ensure that it is in an envelope with a note for "Cory's love offering."
- If you would like to bring a side dish, please add your name and dish on the sign-up sheet (located on the table off the main foyer) by June 16.

Organ Dedication Concert Series Postponed until the fall!

In order to avoid further rescheduling of concert dates, we are going to wait to announce the updated organ dedication concert dates upon receipt of the Chancel Project rebuild timeline. Stay tuned!

Prayer Cares and Concerns

If you have a prayer request to share with the pastor or staff, please share it directly, write it on a blue prayer card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate (or the prayer box off the front hallway) or share your request online at fpcly.org/ministries/care-nurture.html. We are praying with and for you!

Prayer Chain

Would you like to be a part of a group that engages in on-going prayers for our community, both within the walls of FPCLY and beyond? If so, consider joining our prayer chain! Each week our staff sends an email communication with prayers and praises for that week. Contact alex@fpcly.org to be added to the list.