

FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2022

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE *Jesus Loves Me* Traditional

*CHIMING THE HOUR

***SONG OF WELCOME** *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* St. Thomas

*I love Thy kingdom, Lord, The house of Thine abode,
The church our blessed Redeemer saved With His own precious blood.*

*I love Thy church, O God; Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye, And graven on Thy hand.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Today we are invited to a joyful feast, hosted by Jesus Christ.

People: All who are hungry will find the bread of life here.

Leader: All who thirsty will find a fountain of grace here.

People: All who are lost will find safety here.

Leader: All who are lonely will find a friend here.

Leader: All who are broken will find healing here.

People: For this is a heavenly banquet, and you are welcome here!

Leader: Let us worship God!

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

***HYMN**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

ASSAM

1. *I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
No turning back, no turning back.*
2. *The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me;
No turning back, no turning back.*
3. *Tho' none go with me, still I will follow,
Tho' none go with me, still I will follow,
Tho' none go with me, still I will follow,
No turning back, no turning back.*
4. *Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
No turning back, no turning back.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of life, you graciously call us to come to you, but we turn away. We ignore you and the many signs that you send. We dismiss your prophets and close our ears to your Word. Greedily, we seek out that which will feed us today while we ignore that which will nourish us for eternity. Hear our confessions, we pray. Forgive us and help us receive the true bread of heaven. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows.

People: We have been claimed as God's own people.

Leader: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

***KYRIE**

*Lord, have mercy - mercy on us
Christ, have mercy - mercy on us
Lord, have mercy - mercy on us*

***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from your mouth.
Make us hungry for this heavenly food,
that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 11:17-29

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMNS OF FAITH

The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Onward, Christian Soldiers

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before!
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
Forward into battle, see his banner go!

Refrain: Onward, Christian soldiers,
marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before!

SERMON

When Jesus Comes to Dinner

Rev. John Grant

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

ST. FLAVIAN

1. *Be known to us in breaking bread,
But do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread
Thy table in our heart.*

2. *There sup with us in love divine;
Thy body and Thy blood,
That living bread,
that heavenly wine,
Be our immortal food.*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into
heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Amazing Grace

Traditional

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with You.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. (repeat)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

I'll Fly Away

I'LL FLY AWAY

1. *Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away;
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.*

Refrain: *I'll fly away, Oh glory, I'll fly away;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.*

2. *When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away;
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.*

3. *Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away;
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away.*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

I'll Fly Away

*I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.*

*POSTLUDE

He's a Friend of Mine

Traditional

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

📶 For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME JOHN GRANT AS OUR PREACHER TODAY. John serves as Minister & Executive Director of Compassionate Hands, a network of Wilson County churches offering winter shelters and year-round services to neighbors needing housing. Before that, John served on the pastoral staff at College Hills Church of Christ in Lebanon, where he worked with small groups, spiritual formation, and community outreach. John also trains Spiritual Directors through Lipscomb University. John & his wife Amy have lived in Wilson County since 2005, and have three daughters, one son-in-law and two granddaughters.

THE PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING will be received today. A gift to this special offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world.

THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on Sunday, October 9, at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary for the purpose of electing four at-large members to the Officer Nominating Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

THE RISE AGAINST HUNGER FOOD PACKAGING EXPERIENCE will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday October 15 in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars for this fun event.

SERVING LUNCH AT COMPASSIONATE HANDS – FPC will be serving lunch at Compassionate Hands on Wednesday, October 5, starting at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to participate, please contact the church office or Robin Orewiler.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEALS – There will be no Wednesday Fellowship Meal on October 5 and October 12 due to fall break.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN – FPC Women will meet Monday, October 10 at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue with “WHAT MY GRANDMOTHER TAUGHT ME” with Mickey Stueck leading the lesson. If you have a Study Guide that you will not be using this year and are willing to share, please return it to the church office. Bring a sandwich and join us for lunch. Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend. Friends are always welcome.



Please join us for a Bridal Shower
honoring

Sara Brown

Sunday, October 16, 2022
at eleven thirty in the morning
First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

RSVP to Kristy in the church office
Sara is registered at Amazon.



YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) –Meeting set for October 5 at 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

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| Today | | Wednesday | |
| 9:00 a.m. | Church School | 5:00 p.m. | Budget Comm. Mtg |
| 10:00 a.m. | Worship | 5:00 p.m. | Worship Comm. |
| 11:15 a.m. | Deacons' Meeting | 5:30 p.m. | Personnel Mtg. |
| Monday | | 6:30 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| 6:00 p.m. | New Day (AA) | Thursday | |
| Tuesday | | 9:00 a.m. | Preschool |
| 9:00 a.m. | Preschool | 6:00 p.m. | Boy Scouts |
| 6:00 p.m. | AA Group-Annex | Friday | |
| | | Saturday | |