



First Presbyterian Church

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A service of praise and worship of Almighty God on the Lord's Day

April 7, 2024 ∞ 10:30 in the morning

Order of Worship

(☞-Please Stand)

Preparation for Worship

We invite you to use this time to quietly prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

☞ Call to Worship

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Psalm 105:3-4

The one true God graciously invites us into his presence to worship him in spirit and in truth, and we eagerly respond in faith. This begins a dialogue which will continue to the end of the service as God initiates with us, and we respond to him.

☞ Prayer of Invocation & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven: hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

☞ Worship in Song

Come, Thou Almighty King

All Sufficient Merit

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Corporate Confession of Sin

You, O Lord, have promised that if we will confess our sins, you're faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. And so we come in faith and repentance, seeking your forgiveness, that we may know the joy of your presence and the light of your face. You alone know how often we've offended you and hurt the lives of others. Forgive us, O Lord, for every unkind thought; every untrue word; every wrong act. Forgive us, for we've been selfish, and haven't thought of the needs of others. Forgive us for our ingratitude; our neglect of prayer; our carelessness in the use of money; our forgetfulness of our covenant with you. O gracious Father, have mercy upon us. Create in us a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within us; for the joy of our souls, and for the sake of your Son. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

⌘ Corporate Confession of Faith

Q. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. **The fourth commandment is, Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.**

Q. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. **The fourth commandment requires the keeping holy to God such set times as he has appointed in his Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy Sabbath to himself.**

Q. Which day of the seven has God appointed to be the weekly Sabbath?

A. **From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly Sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian Sabbath.**

WSC Questions 43-44

The Westminster Shorter Catechism is a catechism written in 1646 and 1647 by the Westminster Assembly, a synod of English and Scottish theologians and laymen intended to bring the Church of England into greater conformity with the Church of Scotland.

The purpose of the Shorter Catechism is to educate people in the basic doctrines of the Reformed faith.

Pastoral Prayer

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.”

Matthew 6:19-20

With grateful hearts for God's extravagant mercy and blessing, we joyfully present our offerings to the Lord for the ministry of our church and community.

Offertory Song

[Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery](#)

⌘ The Doxology

The word “doxology,” coined in the 17th century, is a combination of the words “glory” and “word.” A doxology is a “word of glory,” a hymn of praise to the Triune God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), who is one divine nature in three Persons.

Sermon

Colossians 2:6-15

Rev. Michael Oliver

⌘ All Must Be Well

⌘ Benediction

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Assisting in Worship: Rev. Dr. Bill Gleason

Preaching: Rev. Michael Oliver

Seeking to glorify God by holding out the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community, our country, and our world to impact others to do the same.

Sermon Notes

Colossians 2:6-15

Proposition: *In this sinful and fallen world, be a testimony of Jesus.*

1. Remember that _____.

a. World's _____.

b. World's _____.

2. Remember what _____.

a. You _____.

b. Your _____.

c. You _____.

3. Remember to _____.

a. Live _____.

b. Live _____.

Life Group Discussion Guide

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Colossians 2:6-15

Have someone read Colossians 2:6-15

Some questions to discuss:

1. What examples do you see that show that this world is sinful and fallen?
2. What examples from your life show how Jesus has transformed you?
3. What specifically did Jesus accomplish by going to the cross and rising from the dead?
4. What do you think eternal life (Heaven) will be like?
5. How does your life testify about Jesus?

Some things to pray about:

1. Pray that you would be in the world but not of it.
2. Pray that you will constantly preach the Gospel to yourself.
3. Pray that the Gospel will continue to spread to the ends of the earth.
4. Pray for revival in the places where the Gospel used to thrive.
5. Pray that your life would draw others to Jesus.

Announcements

This Week

Today	11:45 am	Coffee, Cakes, & Conversation	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 pm	LIFE Groups	Various homes
Mon.	6:00 pm	5:11 Group	Edna Gleason's house
Wed.	6:30 pm	Church-wide Prayer Meeting and Fellowship Meal	FPCP
Thurs.	6:00 pm	Music Team Practice	FPCP
		Session and Diaconate meetings	Please pray for our leadership.



Events

5:11 Group | Our 5:11 group will meet this Monday April 8th at 6:00 at the home of Edna Gleason. This group is for women over 55, and our theme is from I Thessalonians 5:11 - "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." We have such fun and are getting to know, love, and serve each other. For further information contact Edna at 662-302-2452.

Prayer Meeting | Our next monthly prayer meeting and fellowship dinner is on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:30.

Church Work Day | Our next church work day will be next week, April 20th. Details will be forthcoming soon.

Men's and Women's Bible Studies | Bible studies will meet this week. See Bill for questions about the men's study, or Kaye Wimberly or Maggie Banks for questions about the women's study.

VBS Registration | VBS Registration is open for FPCP members and regular attenders. There is a link in the newsletter to sign up. Paper forms are on the back table in the Fellowship Hall for those who prefer them. Please fill one out for each student, and place it in the folder on the table. Volunteer sign ups are also ongoing. Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered!

Ministry Opportunities

Volunteers needed | We need volunteers in a variety of capacities specifically in the nursery, bringing snacks after service, and ushers. Please see Melissa Miles to find out how you can help.