



# First Presbyterian Church

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

November 24, 2024 ∞ 10:30 in the morning

## *Order of Worship*

(☞-Please Stand)

### **Preparation for Worship**

*"The LORD is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him." - Habakkuk 2:20*

### **☞ Call to Worship**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things!  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have worked salvation for him.  
The LORD has made known his salvation;  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.  
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness  
to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.

### **Psalm 98:1-3**

*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.*

### **☞ Response of Praise in Song**

**O Great God**

### **☞ 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**

**Blessed Assurance**

Trinity Hymnal #693

**Isaiah 43**

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## Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you who are rich in mercy to all who call upon you; hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins, and asking your mercy and forgiveness. We've broken your holy laws by our words and deeds, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We admit before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward our fellow men. Father, have mercy on us, and in your great goodness grant that from now on we may serve and please you in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardoning Grace

**Romans 8:1-2; 38-39**

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

For I am sure 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.

## ⌘ Corporate Confession of Faith

**Heidelberg Confession Q.18-20**

Q.21. What is true faith?

**A. True faith is a sure knowledge whereby I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in His Word. At the same time it is a firm confidence that not only to others, but also to me, God has granted forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation, out of mere grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits. This faith the Holy Spirit works in my heart by the gospel.**

Q.22. What, then, must a Christian believe?

**A. All that is promised us in the Gospel, which the articles of our catholic and undoubted Christian faith teach us in a summary.**

## Pastoral Prayer

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## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

**Acts 20:35**

"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

*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

**Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**  
Trinity Hymnal #481

## ⌘ 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

**Rev. Nathanael Miller**

**The Scroll and the Lamb**  
Revelation 5:1-5

## ⌘ Closing Hymn

**Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord**  
Trinity Hymnal #465

## ⌘ Benediction

**Psalm 121:7-8**

The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in

**Assisting in Worship: Ruling Elder Kelly Larson**  
**Preaching: Rev. Nathanael Miller**

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*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.*

# Announcements

**Today 11:45 am** Coffee, Cakes, & Conversation Fellowship Hall  
**Thurs.** Happy Thanksgiving!



## This Week

**Men's & Women's Studies** | Both the men's and women's studies are on break until January. The newsletter and last week's bulletin had the incorrect end dates.

## Events

**There are no events at the church this week. Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Front Porch Society** | Meets **next week, Dec. 5th at 6:30 am** at Clay Harden's house (156 Carrie Rd, Bloomingdale).

## Celebrating the Christmas Season at FPCP

**Thanksgiving Brunch** | The annual Thanksgiving Brunch will be Sunday, **Dec. 1 at 9:30 am** during the Sunday School hour. Please bring a brunch item to share.

**Women's "Progressive" Dinner and Christmas Party** | The women are having a Christmas Fellowship event on **Dec. 4 at 6:00 pm**. We will "progress" around the Fellowship Hall for various courses and activities. You won't want to miss it. Stay tuned for a sign up coming soon.

**Church-wide Christmas Party and Carol Sing** | We are celebrating the joy of our Savior's coming with a church-wide party and carol sing on **Dec. 8 at 5:30 pm**. There will be surprises!

## Youth Events

**6th-12th grade Girls Event** | The youth girls are going to Sunshine Pottery on **Dec. 7th at 1pm** to paint ornaments. Please RSVP to Jamie Douglas.

**Youth Christmas Party - Sat. Dec. 14th from 5-7 pm** at the Devescovis' home (740 Pine Barren Rd, Pooler). Please RSVP to Graham or Jamie Douglas.

**6th-12th Grade Guys Event** | Save the date for a guys only event on December 21st. Details coming soon!

**Christmas Sunday School will be on break from Dec. 22 until early January.**

## Ministry Opportunities

**Volunteers needed** | We need volunteers in a variety of capacities, including nursery helpers, after-worship snack providers, and ushers. Please contact Crystal Twibell to find out how you can help. [crystal@firstprespooler.com](mailto:crystal@firstprespooler.com)

## *Sermon Notes*

### **"The Scroll and the Lamb"**

Revelation 5:1-5

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

#### **I. The Unopened Scroll**

#### **II. The Lamb Who is Worthy**