

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day | October 18, 2020 | 10:45 a.m.

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THE SESSION

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The Announcements

*The Call to Worship

*The Psalm of Praise....."All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall,
2. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call,
3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,
4. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the gall,

let an - gels pros-trate fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem,
who from his al - tar call; ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod,
ye ran - somed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace,
the worm-wood and the gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet,

Refrain

and crown him, crown him,
and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him,

crown

crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.
 him and crown him

5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
 on this terrestrial ball,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 (Refrain)

6. O that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall,
 we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 (Refrain)

***The Prayer of Adoration**

***The Confession of Faith.....The Westminster Larger Catechism No. 117**

Q. How is the Sabbath, or Lord's Day, to be sanctified?

A. *The Sabbath or Lord's Day is to be sanctified by holy resting all day, not only from such works as are at all times sinful, but also from worldly employments and recreations that are lawful on other days, making it our delight to spend the whole time (except as much of it as is taken up in works of necessity and mercy) in public and private exercises of God's worship. To that end, we are to prepare our hearts, and with foresight, diligence, and moderation, we are to dispose and resolve our worldly business in a timely way, so that we may be more free and fit for the duties of the Lord's Day.*

The Call to Confession.....Isaiah 58:13-14

"If you turn back your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, for seeking your own pleasure, or talking idly; then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

The Silent Confession

The Confession of Sin

Our Father in heaven, we come before you this morning confessing we have not delighted ourselves in the Sabbath Day that you have given to us. Our hearts are not moved as they should be with the anticipation and reality of coming into the very throne room of heaven to celebrate, with all of the saints, the great salvation that is ours in Christ Jesus our risen Lord.

Please forgive us for the sins that so easily entangle us as we appear before your throne in worship and prayer. Forgive us for the distractions that divert our attention as your Spirit speaks in the Scripture.

Grant, O Lord, your saving and sustaining grace to our hearts and lives, that we might rejoice with all of our being in the redemption that is ours through our Saviour.

May this Lord's Day, and all that follow, witness deep improvement in us as we participate in the foretaste of our eternal communion with You. Hear in heaven and answer, we do pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon.....Matthew 11:28–30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

*The Hymn of Response“Lord of the Sabbath, Hear Us Pray”

1. Lord of the Sab - bath, hear us pray, in this your
 2. Now met to pray and bless your name, whose mer - cies
 3. Your earth - ly Sab - baths, Lord, we love, but there's a
 4. In your blest king - dom we shall be from ev - 'ry

house, on this your day; and own, as grate - ful
 flow each day the same, whose kind com - pas - sions
 no - bler rest a - bove; to that our la - b'ring
 mor - tal trou - ble free: no sighs shall min - gle

sac - ri - fice, the songs which from your tem - ple rise.
 nev - er cease, we seek in - struc - tion, par - don, peace.
 souls as - pire with ar - dent hope and strong de - sire.
 with the songs re - sound - ing from im - mor - tal tongues,

5. No rude alarms of raging foes;
 no cares to break the long repose;
 no midnight shade, no waning moon,
 but sacred, high, eternal noon.

6. O long-expected day, begin,
 dawn on these realms of woe and sin!
 Break, morn of God, upon our eyes;
 and let the world's true Sun arise!

The Encouragement to GivePsalm 96:7-9

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

The Great Prayer

Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:



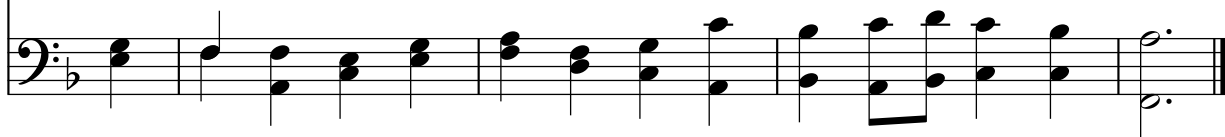
*The Psalm No. 110 "The LORD Said to My Lord"



- ¹The LORD said to my Lord: "At my right hand take your seat,
- ²The LORD will make your reign extend from Zion's hill;
- ³When you display your pow'r, your people flock to you;
- ⁴The LORD has sworn an oath and will not change his mind:
- ⁵The Lord's at your right hand, and there will ever stay.



- un - til I make your en - e - mies a foot - stool for your feet."
with might - y scep - ter rule your foes who fight a - gainst your will.
• at dawn, ar - rayed in ho - li - ness, your youth will come like dew.
"You are a priest for - ev - er, like Mel - chi - ze - dek in kind."
He on his day of wrath will crush the kings who bar his way.



- ⁶The nations he will judge;
the dead in heaps will lie.
The mighty chiefs of all the earth
he'll shatter and destroy.

- ⁷A brook beside the way
his thirst will satisfy;
and, thus refreshed, by water he
will lift his head on high.

“The Lord of the Sabbath” | Exodus 20:8-11, Matthew 11:28-12:12

I. Introduction

A. Moral Principle of the Sabbath

1. When was the Sabbath first instituted?
2. Why was the Sabbath a welcome blessing at that time?
3. What is remarkable about the Sabbath continuing after the Fall?

B. Jesus and the Sabbath

1. In what sense do Christians observe a Sabbath rest all the time?
2. In what sense do Christians observe a weekly Sabbath rest?

II. Main Argument

A. Pharisaical Additions to the Sabbath

1. Why did the Pharisees make additions to the Law of God?
2. Additions to the Law: what happens when we add to God’s Law?
 - a. What is it called when someone adds to God’s Law?
 - b. What is an “Eruv” and how does it illustrate the legalism of those who reject Christ’s kingship and salvation even today?
 - c. How did (do) the legalistic additions of the Pharisees burden the Hebrews?
3. Freedom: how does Jesus give people freedom from the burdens of legalism?

a. What does Jesus *not* do?

b. What two things does Jesus' teaching on the Sabbath help us to understand?

B. Works of Necessity (Matt. 12:1-4)

1. Going to Synagogue: how important was public worship on the Sabbath day to Jesus?

a. **Application**: What does worship being audience-driven and consumer-centered mean for the way we worship?

b. **Application**: what is the primary reason we gather to worship?

2. Eating on the Way: was what the disciples did stealing?

3. Indictment by the Pharisees: what do the Pharisees accuse the disciples of doing?

a. If Jesus had defended Sabbath-breaking, what would that mean for us?

b. How does Jesus not only rebuke the Pharisees, but also insult them and belittle their religious qualifications?

c. How does Jesus establish that works of necessity are not a violation of God's command to sanctify the Sabbath day?

C. Works of Piety (Matt 12:5-8)

1. Rightly Understanding the Fourth Command

a. When God said "do no work," what did he clearly mean?

b. How does Jesus restore a right understanding of the Sabbath?

2. The Lord of the Sabbath?

a. How had the Pharisees abused the Sabbath by obscuring its purpose?

b. What did God institute the sabbath in order to do?

c. How has Jesus exercised His Lordship over the Sabbath here?

D. Works of Mercy (Matt 12:9-14)

1. A Rude Question: how was disability viewed in the days of Jesus?

2. Entrapment: what are the Pharisees attempting to do?

3. Application: how does Jesus show that works of mercy do not profane the Sabbath day

4. Application: how did the Pharisees abuse the Law?

***The Hymn of Commitment.....“Worship Christ the Risen King”**

Please don't forget to record your attendance, update your contact information, and/or submit prayer requests and praises. You can do so by email (office@fpfo.org), calling the church office (706.866.2521), or using the QR code below with your smartphone camera.

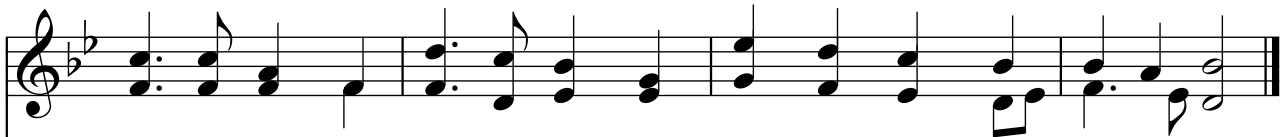




1. Rise, O church, and lift your voic - es, Christ has con - quered death and hell.
2. See the tomb where death had laid him, emp - ty now, its mouth de - clares:
3. Hear the earth pro - test and trem - ble, see the stone re - moved with pow'r;
4. Doubt may lift its head to mur - mur, scoff - ers mock and sin - ners jeer;
5. We ac - claim your life, O Je - sus, now we sing your vic - to - ry;



Sing as all the earth re - joic - es; res - ur - rec - tion an - thems swell.
"Death and I could not con - tain him, for the throne of life he shares."
• all hell's min - ions may as - sem - ble, but can - not with - stand his hour.
but the truth pro - claims a won - der thought - ful hearts re - ceive with cheer.
sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your con - quest keeps us free.



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!
Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!
• He has con - quered, he has con - quered, Christ the Lord, the ris - en King!
He is ris - en, he is ris - en, now re - ceive the ris - en King!
Stand in tri - umph, stand in tri - umph, wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!



***The Benediction**

*The Response "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" (Stanza 5)



5. Our hope is in no oth - er save in thee; our faith is



built up - on thy prom - ise free; O grant to us such



strong - er hope and sure that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 18, 2020

Please Note: *A mask (covering both mouth and nose) is required for all persons over age ten inside the building on Sundays. The only exception to this is musicians and those actively teaching or leading some part of the worship service. Please continue to be aware of the comfort level of others and observe common sense hygiene practices.*

+ Weather permitting, evening worship will be outside tonight at 6:00 p.m. Masks are not required outside. The **Lord's Supper** will also be observed this evening. Assistance is needed with set-up. Please see Ryan if you are willing to help. Here is a **LINK** to watch the evening service remotely.

+ Sunday school at continues weekly 9:45 a.m. both onsite and via this **LINK**

WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES:

*Masks are **not** required, but are recommended, for Midweek Activities.*

- ✦ 6:00-6:25 p.m. Supper Time (please bring your own food)
- ✦ 6:30-6:50 p.m. Joint Praying Meeting in the Fellowship Hall (**LINK** to join remotely)
- ✦ 6:50-7:30 p.m. Classes:

All Things to the Glory of God (Adult Sunday School Room) **LIVESTREAM LINK**

A study of the Westminster Confession of Faith (WCF), the historic summary of the Bible's teaching and doctrine of the Presbyterian Church. The WCF helps us see how all of life, all of the Scripture, and all our faith is aimed at magnifying God's glory. This class is open to all people of any age and especially those discerning a call to church office.

"American Gospel" Discussion (Fellowship Hall)

The gospel message of "Christ crucified" has always been offensive. In our culture it is common for preachers to soften the offense of the cross, and the attributes of God that are displayed in the person and work of Jesus Christ. In this film and discussion, we'll consider some of the flaws with post-modernism and progressive Christianity. This class is open to people of all ages.

KidsQuest (Small Parlor)

Teaching time and fellowship designed to encourage covenant children toward faith in Christ and to understand the truth of our sinfulness and God's grace in Christ.

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