

# First Presbyterian Church

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Evening Worship in Word & Sacrament

The Lord's Day | October 15, 2023 | 6 o'clock

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# THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 15, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.

THE HYMN SING

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 263 ..... "In Christ Alone"



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my  
2. In Christ a - lone! Who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less  
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the world by dark - ness  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the pow'r of Christ in



song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the  
babe! This gift of love and righ - teous - ness, scorned by the  
slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the  
me. From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com -



fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
ones he came to save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died,  
grave he rose a - gain! And as he stands in vic - to - ry,  
mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,



when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for -  
the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am  
can ev - er pluck me from his hand; 'til he re -

ter, my all in all— here in the love of Christ I stand.  
sin on him was laid— here in the death of Christ I live.  
his and he is mine— bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
turns or calls me home— here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

\*THE INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE CONFESSION OF FAITH .....The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.*

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

*But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Heavenly Father, Who gathers Your children to Yourself, we confess that we have not walked in love, as You have loved us by giving Your Son. Instead, we find ourselves walking down the paths that You have told us not to walk; and we find ourselves drawn to the very things from which we were saved.*

*We acknowledge that our hearts have entertained lust, uncleanness, and all manner of covetousness. Our lips have uttered that which is filthy, foolish and coarse, and we have not lived before You with hearts of thanksgiving.*

*In Your great mercy, forgive us for the thoughts of our hearts and the actions of our lives that where we have sinned against Your word, and renew a right spirit within us for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ.*

THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON .....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.

\*THE PSALM OF THE MONTH NO. 148..“From Heaven O Praise the LORD” (pp. 6-7)

THE SCRIPTURE READING .....Ephesians 3:14-19

THE EXHORTATION .....“A Prayer for the Ages”

**I. The Context of Paul’s Prayer (vv. 14-15)**

**A. In the Life of Paul and the Ephesians**

## **B. In the Letter to the Ephesians**

### **II. The Content of Paul's Prayer (v. 16)**

### **III. The Concern of Paul's Prayer (vv. 17-19)**

#### **A. That Christ May Dwell in Their Hearts (v. 17a)**

**Why? To Get a Grip (vv. 17b-18)**

#### **B. That They May Know the Love of Christ (v. 19a)**

**Why? To Be Filled with All the Fullness of God (v. 19b)**

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 648 ..... "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST BY FAITH  
THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  
THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS  
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*THE PSALM OF THANKSGIVING NO. 117 ..... "Praise Jehovah All Ye Nations (p. 8)

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE RESPONSE NO. 733 ..... "The Doxology"

# Psalm 148A



1. <sup>1</sup>From heav'n O praise the LORD! On high the LORD O praise!
2. <sup>5</sup>O let them glo - ri - fy the LORD's ma - jes - tic name;
3. <sup>7</sup>From earth O praise the LORD, you deeps and all be - low,
4. <sup>11</sup>Let all the peo - ples praise, and kings of ev - 'ry land;
5. The LORD a - lone be praised a - bove the earth and sky!

LORD! . . . . .  
- fy . . . . .  
LORD, . . . . .  
praise, . . . . .  
praised . . . . .



On high the LORD O praise!  
the LORD's ma - jes - tic name;  
you deeps and all be - low,  
and kings of ev - 'ry land;  
a - bove the earth and sky!



- <sup>2</sup>All an - gels, praise ac - cord; let all his host give praise.  
when he spoke from on high, they in - to be - ing came.
- <sup>8</sup>wild winds that do his word, you clouds, fire, hail, and snow,  
let all their voic - es raise who judge and give com - mand.
- <sup>14</sup>He for his saints has raised a king to rule on high;



<sup>3</sup>Praise him on high, sun, moon, and star,  
<sup>6</sup>And he ar - ranged where they should stand;  
<sup>9</sup>hills low and high, and ce - dars tall,  
<sup>12</sup>By young and old, by girl and boy,  
 so praise ac - cord, O Is - ra - el;

Praise him on high, sun, moon, and star,  
 And he ar - ranged where they should stand;  
 hills low and high, and ce - dars tall,  
 By young and old, by girl and boy,  
 so praise ac - cord, O Is - ra - el;

sun, moon, and star, <sup>4</sup>you heav'ns a - far, and cloud - y sky.  
 where they should stand by his com - mand can - not be changed.  
<sup>5</sup>and ce - dars tall, <sup>10</sup>beasts great and small, and birds that fly.  
 by girl and boy, <sup>13</sup>his name with joy should be ex - tolled.  
 O Is - ra - el, who near him dwell, O praise the LORD!

<sup>1</sup>Praise Je - ho - vah, all ye na - tions, all ye peo - ple praise pro - claim;

<sup>2</sup>for his grace and lov - ing - kind - ness O sing prais - es to his name.

For the great - ness of his mer - cy con - stant praise to him ac - cord;

ev - er - more his truth en - dur - eth; hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord!