

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 16, 2023 | 6:00 p.m.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN SING

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE PSALM OF PRAISE NO. 8.....“LORD, Our Lord” (Page 2)

*THE INVOCATION AND 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.*

1. ¹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how ex - cel - lent your name!
2. ³When I view the skies a - bove, the works your fin - gers made,
3. ⁵You have made him next to God, with hon - or, glo - ry crowned.

You a - bove the heav'ns have set the glo - ry of your fame.
when I see the moon and stars, which you in or - der laid,
⁶Him you placed a - bove your works; be - neath him all is found:

²From the mouths of in - fants young you the power of praise com - pose
⁴what is man, so frail and weak, that you should re - mem - ber him?
⁷ox - en, sheep, and beasts that graze, ⁸birds, and fish the o - ceans claim.

in the face of en - e - mies to stop a - veng - ing foes.
What can be the son of man that you should care for him?
⁹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how ex - cel - lent your name!

THE LAW OF GOD.....Romans 12:9-13

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

O great and everlasting God, Who dwells in unapproachable light, Who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of the heart; we confess that we have not loved You with all our heart, nor with all our soul, nor with all our mind, nor with all our strength; nor our neighbors as ourselves.

We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with Your provisions for us. We have complained in our hearts about our family, about our friends, about our health, about our occupations, about Your church, and about our trials.

We have sought our security in those things which perish, rather than in You, the Everlasting God. Chasten, cleanse, and forgive us, through Jesus Christ, Who is able for all time to save us who approach You through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for us.

THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON.....Romans 8:15-17

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

***THE PSALM OF THE MONTH NO. TH554.....“From Depths of Woe” (Psa. 130)**

THE SCRIPTURE READINGRomans 11:33-36

THE SERMON“All to God’s Glory”

A. God’s Greatness (v. 33)

1. Paul’s Response

- a. What are examples of other doxologies in the Scripture?
- b. Why does Paul say (write) these things?
- c. How has Paul engaged both his heart and his mind in worship?
- d. Application: *Adoration of God must overflow.*

2. From the Depths

- a. Riches
- b. Wisdom
- c. Knowledge

3. Judgment & Ways

4. Application: *Revelation, truth, and reality drive worship.*

5. Application: *God’s wisdom and knowledge comfort God’s people.*

B. God's Wisdom (v. 34)

1. Old Testament Proof

2. Sufficiency, Sovereignty, Independence of God

C. God's Mercy (v. 35)

1. Third Question: From where is Paul quoting?

2. No Merit: Sinful man has no merit; how does this advance God's glory?

D. God's Glory (v. 36)

1. All Glory Belongs to God

2. Wonder

***THE HYMN OF APPROACH NO. 427 "Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands"**

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. 6)**

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

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

²for 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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL 16, 2023

- + Starting in May, Elder Davis will be leading a midweek class for Pre-K and Elementary children (ages 5 and up) to learn the great songs of the faith. The class will focus on developing a love for singing and cultivating musical gifts for use in the Church. The class will begin at 6:30 and conclude by 7:15.
- + The Diaconate requests that drink containers and food no longer be brought in to the auditorium.
- + The Session of First Presbyterian Church will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26. There will be no prayer meeting or midweek activities for children on April 26. The supper, youth, and young adult activities will continue as normal.
- + This year for Operation Christmas Child, we are focusing on filling boxes for 10-14 year old boys, a frequently under-served age group. For April, please consider bringing items such as soccer balls (deflated) and pumps, NERF balls, fishing lines, weights, and/or hooks, as well as playing cards.
- + When corresponding with the church secretary, please do not use the secretary's personal email. All correspondence should be sent to **office@fpfo.org**.
- + This Saturday at 10:30 a.m. is the Ladies brunch hosting *Jennie Landrath* of *Choices Pregnancy Center*. Please come and hear about opportunities to serve vulnerable mothers and their children in the Chattanooga area.
- + The *Moms Encouragement Lunch* will be April 27 at 12:30 p.m. A meal from Panera will be provided for the moms; pizza and a lesson will be provided for children aged 5 and up.