

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD’S DAY | AUGUST 31, 2025 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

The Prelude

*The Call to Worship

*The Hymn of Praise No. 77“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithHeidelberg Catechism Nos. 40, 43-44

Q. Why did Christ have to suffer death?

A. *Because God’s justice and truth require it: nothing else could pay for our sins except the death of the Son of God.*

Q. What further benefit do we receive from Christ’s sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. *By his power our old man is crucified, put to death, and buried with him, so that the evil desires of the flesh may no longer rule us, but that instead we may offer ourselves as a sacrifice of thanksgiving to him.*

Q. Why does the creed add, *He descended into hell*?

A. *To assure me during attacks of deepest dread and temptation that Christ my Lord, by suffering unspeakable anguish, pain, and terror of soul, on the cross but also earlier has delivered me from hellish anguish and torment.*

The Presentation of New Member: Lauren Zuidema

❖ Biblical Explanation

❖ Vows of Membership

❖ Prayer

❖ Benediction

The Call to ConfessionPsalm 78:38–39

Yet he, being compassionate, atoned for their iniquity and did not destroy them; he restrained his anger often and did not stir up all his wrath. He remembered that they were but flesh, a wind that passes and comes not again.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD,
O my soul. Ps. 103:22*

Unison D A⁷ Bm D⁷ G D 7 Bm

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav-en, to his feet your
 2. Praise him for his grace and fa-vor to our fa-thers
 3. Fa-ther-like, he tends and spares us; well our fee-ble
 4. Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour-ish, blows the wind and
 5. An-gels, help us to a-dore him; you be-hold him

F#m C⁷ F#m⁷ D A⁷ Bm D G D

trib-ute bring; ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for-giv-en,
 in-dis-tress; praise him, still the same for-ev-er,
 • frame he knows; in his hands he gent-ly bears us,
 it is gone; but while mor-tals rise and per-ish,
 face to face; sun and moon, bow down be-fore him,

A Bdim⁷ A E⁷ A Em⁷ F#m

who, like me, his praise should sing? Al-le-lu-ia!
 slow to chide and swift to bless. Al-le-lu-ia!
 • res-cues us from all our foes. Al-le-lu-ia!
 God en-dures un-chang-ing on. Al-le-lu-ia!
 dwell-ers all in time and space. Al-le-lu-ia!

Em⁷ D D⁷ G D Bm Em⁷ A⁷ D 7

Al-le-lu-ia! Praise the ev-er-last-ing King.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Glo-rious in his faith-ful-ness.
 • Al-le-lu-ia! Wide-ly as his mer-cy goes.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Praise the High E-ter-nal One.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

The Prayer of Confession

O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing: we have purchased for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and condemnation.

Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You, and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress.

O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto You; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The Assurance of Pardon.....Hebrews 9:26–28

Christ appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 16.....“Preserve Me, O God”

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody consists of eight measures. The first measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second measure contains a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, and a quarter note E4. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a quarter note B3. The fifth measure contains a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, and a quarter note F#3. The sixth measure contains a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a quarter note C3. The seventh measure contains a quarter note B2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note G2. The eighth measure contains a quarter note F#2, a quarter note E2, and a quarter note D2. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes.

1. ¹Pre - serve me, O God, for I'm trust - ing in you.
2. ⁴Those run - ning to i - dols will mul - ti - ply griefs.
3. You care for my lot, ⁶where the lines fell to me,
4. ⁸The LORD ev - er pres - ent be - fore me I keep.
5. ¹⁰For you'll not a - ban - don my soul to the grave,

²“Yes, you are my mas - ter,” I said to the LORD;
 I will not pour out their drink of - f’rings of blood,
 • my pleas - ant and love - ly in - her - it - ed land.
 He stands at my right hand; I shall not be moved.
 your god - ly One you will pre - serve from de - cay.

be - sides you I do not pos - sess an - y good.
 nor will I con - fess their vain names with my lips.
 • ⁷The LORD who gives coun - sel to me I will bless,
⁹My glo - ry re - joic - es, my heart is made glad;
¹¹Life’s path you will show me; full joy is with you;

³In your ho - ly mes - sen - gers I take de - light.
⁵The LORD’s my in - her - it - ed por - tion and cup.
 • for sure - ly my mind teach - es me through the night.
 and al - so my flesh will live safe - ly at ease.
 your right hand holds plea - sures for me ev - er - more.

Forever Settled in the Heavens

Your word, LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Ps. 119:89

1. For - ev - er set - tled in the heav'ns, thy word, O
 2. Thy word and works un - moved re - main, thine ev - 'ry
 3. I should have per - ished in my woe had not I
 4. The wick - ed would de - stroy my soul, but in thy

Lord, shall firm - ly stand; thy faith - ful - ness shall nev - er
 pur - pose to ful - fil; all things are thine and thee o -
 loved thy law di - vine; that law I nev - er can for -
 truth is ref - uge sure; ex - ceed - ing broad is thy com -

fail; the earth a - bides at thy com - mand.
 bey, and all as ser - vants wait thy will.
 get; O save me, Lord, for I am thine.
 mand, and in per - fec - tion shall en - dure.

The Offering and Encouragement to GivePsalm 104:27–30

These all look to you, to give them their food in due season. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

The Old Testament ReadingExodus 17

The Great Prayer.....Ryan Biese

***The Psalm of Preparation No. TH59.....“Forever Settled” (Psalm 119)**

The SermonPastor Ryan Biese

“The Mind Renewed, the Law Applied” | *The Riches of God in Christ* No. 32

Ephesians 4:25-28 | p. 919

Sermon Notes

A. Terms (v. 25)

1. Power Principle

2. The Covenant of Grace

B. Truth (v. 25)

1. Put Off Falsehood

2. Covenant Community

C. Temperance (vv. 26-27)

1. Anger

2. Resolution

D. Toil (v. 28)

1. Transformation

2. Productivity

***The Hymn of Commitment No. 457“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
The Benediction**

***The Response No. 735“The Gloria Patri”**

*Glory be to the Father, And to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, Is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

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Proverbs

Youth & Adult
Sunday School

For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge
and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity (Prov. 2:6–7).

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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Samuel ... named it Ebenezer, saying, "Thus far has the LORD helped us." 1 Sam. 7:12

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
 Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

A watercolor-style map of North and South America, rendered in shades of blue, purple, orange, and yellow, positioned on the right side of the poster.

Missions Close to Home!

Come listen to
Lowell Ivey &
Barry Smith from
Metanoia Prison Ministries

Sunday August 31st following
evening worship.

In the fellowship hall.

Pie will be provided.

Sunday School Resumes September 7 at 9:45 a.m.

Room Assignments:

Infants & Toddlers:

Nursery

PreK & Kindergarten:

Downstairs Room 1

Early Elementary:

Downstairs Room 2

Upper Elementary:

Church Parlor

Youth & Adult Class:

Main Classroom

MOMS BOOK STUDY

Five
Lies of Our
Anti-Christian
Age



Rosaria
Butterfield

Foreword by Kevin DeYoung

First Thursday of the Month 10:30 a.m. at the Church
Contact Ann Biese for more details.

Continues September 4 | Chapters 2 & 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 31, 2025

Announcements are due 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and must be **emailed** to **office@fpfo.org**.

- ❖ Please answer God's call to worship this evening with us at 6:00 p.m. We will begin with our customary hymn sing at 5:50 p.m. So be ready with your requests!
- ❖ The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of morning worship next week. A fellowship meal will follow; each household is asked to bring something to share.
- ❖ All Sunday school classes resume on September 7 at 9:45 a.m., with new classes for children: kindergarten, early elementary, and upper elementary. The adult class will begin a study of Proverbs. Sunday school room assignments are listed on p. 7.
- ❖ The next Stated Session Meeting is Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. The Bible study, prayer meeting, and children's activities will not take place on Wednesday this week.
- ❖ The Women in the Church will meet in the Library on Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. for planning and prayer.
- ❖ If anyone is interested in teaching a class for two and three year olds, please let Nathan Bowers know soon.

Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting **FPFO** to **84576**.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: office@fpfo.org.
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the box at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give

To submit prayer requests, email the church office or call 706-866-2521.

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

The Lord's Day

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast
WAAK 94.7 FM
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
(excluding First Sundays)

Wednesday Night

5:55 Covered-Dish Supper
6:30-7:15 Prayer Meeting
6:30-7:15 Children's Singing Class

Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.

Nursery: Aug. 31: E. Wilson & M. Tuggle

Sept. 7: R. Wilson & A. Pinyerd