FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | MAY 14, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

The Welcome and Announcements

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

The Prelude

*The Call to Worship

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithThe Westminster Larger Catechism No. 14

- Q. What is justification?
- A. Justification is an act of God's free grace unto sinners, in which He pardons all their sins, accepts and accounts their persons righteous in His sight; not for any thing wrought in them, or done by them, but only for the perfect obedience and full satisfaction of Christ, by God imputed to them, and received by faith alone

because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart.

The Confession of Sin

Almighty God, who brought back from the dead our Lord, Jesus Christ, we humbly acknowledge that we have not lived in a manner worthy of your redeeming grace. You have raised us up with Christ who is seated at your right hand. You have commanded us to set our mind on things above and not on the things of earth. Yet we have transgressed your laws by loving ourselves more than you, our God, or our neighbor.

We are so easily caught up in the materialism of our day, worshiping the creature and the creation, rather than you, our Creator. Thus, do we forget your mighty victory over sin and death. Have mercy upon us, O God. Deliver us from immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. Do not leave us to ourselves but send your Spirit that we may live above this fallen world, and show forth your resurrection power. In the exalted name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.



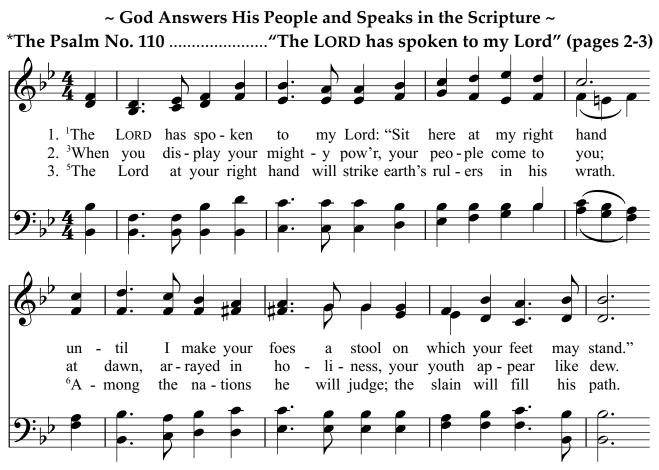
The Silent Confession

~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

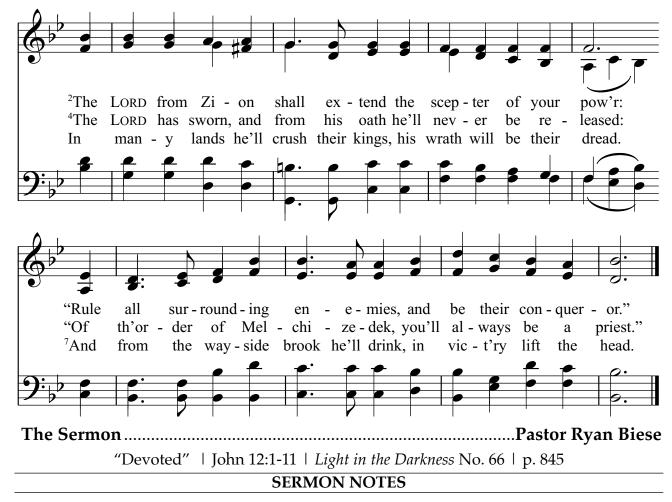
~ We Respond to God's Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~

*The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 77....... "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

The Great Prayer



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I. Introduction

A. What contrasts does John set up in this chapter?

B. To what are the various figures or groups in this chapter devoted?

II. Main Argument

A. To Jesus (vv. 1-3)

- 1. The Feast: How does Jesus provide righteousness for His people?
- 2. <u>Mary's Humility</u>: How does John emphasize Mary has taken the lowliest place?

B. To Money (vv. 4-6)

1. Judas Distinguished (v. 4):

- a. How does John identify Judas?
- b. Why is criticism contagious?
- 2. <u>Immense Value (v. 5)</u>
 - a. How does Judas hide his greed?

b. <u>Application</u>: *Discernment is necessary for the Christian life*.

- c. How does Judas structure the argument of his objection?
- 3. <u>Avarice Thwarted (v. 6)</u>
 - a. Why is Judas unable to demonstrate either genuine compassion or genuine devotion?
 - b. Why is the fact the Gospels record only one negative aspect of the character of Judas a warning for us?
 - c. <u>Application</u>: Beware the power of coddled sin.

d. <u>Application</u>: The need for evangelical mortification of sin is urgent.

4. <u>Making Good on the Loss (v. 4b)</u>: How do the Gospel writers emphasize the connection between Mary's devotion and the treason of Judas?

C. To His People (vv. 7-8)

- <u>Mary's Understanding (v. 7)</u>
 a. How does Judas show his worldly perspective?
 - b. How does Mary indicate she understands Jesus' death is near?
 - c. Why does Jesus bring up His death?

- 2. The Priorities of Jesus (v. 8)
 - a. In what sense is Mary's action not an example for us?
 - b. In what sense ought we to emulate Mary?
 - c. Why is Jesus worthy of our devotion?

D. To Power (vv. 9-11)

- 1. Crowds Combined (vv. 9, 11): What is the crisis for the Jewish Senate?
- <u>Conspiracy Compounded (v. 10)</u>
 a. What do the religious leaders now propose?

b. **<u>Application</u>**: Sin is never satisfied.

III. Conclusion

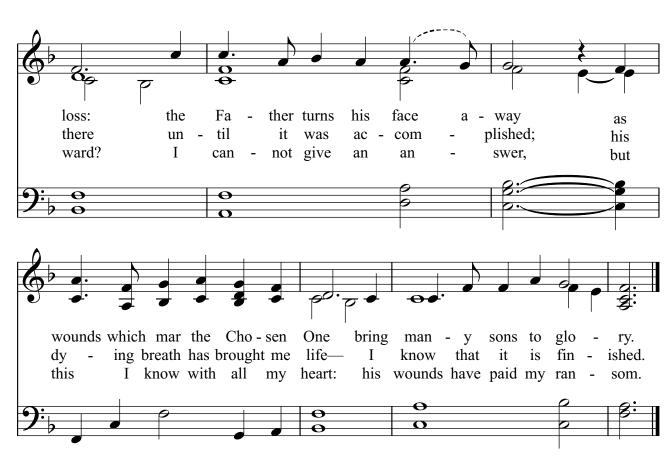
~ God's People Respond in Praise ~ *The Hymn of Commitment......."How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (pages 6-7) ~ God Blesses His People ~ *The Benediction

	*The Response No.	735	"The Gloria Patri
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Shay Henshall keeps track of a prayer list for the church ladies for prayer requests to be submitted and for information to be relayed during the week to those who want to pray for Family and Friends at FPFO. If you are interested in being a part of this or have a prayer request to submit, please email fpfowicprayer@proton.me or speak with Shay Henshall.

How Deep the Father's Love for Us





Morning Fellowship Cafe: Lord's Days | 9:20-9:40

All are invited to a time of socializing and conversation each Lord's Day morning over coffee and light snacks from starting at 9:20 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

If you are willing to serve on a rotation to help with snacks and clean-up, please talk with Shay Henshall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 14, 2023

- + The deacons have requested food and drinks no longer be brought into the auditorium. Tables and chairs are provided in the fellowship hall.
- + Evening worship resumes tonight at 6:00 p.m. The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship on May 21.
- + Luke, Hannah, and Ezra are expecting a baby girl this August and there is a baby basket in the fellowship hall where all sorts of gifts can go. Clothes for a girl are especially appreciated by Hannah.

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Youth & Young Adult Fellowship

Friday, May 26, 2023 | 6:00 p.m.

Meet at the Cravens House on Cravens Terrace | Lookout Mtn.,Tenn. Pro-tip: plug in "Cravens House" to your GPS, and you will find it. Contact Joe Wilson for further information.

The Lord's Day	Wednesday	
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time	9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting	
9:45 a.m. Sunday School	5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper	
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship	6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting	
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast	6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class	
WAAK 94.7 FM	6:30 p.m. Youth & Young Adult	
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	Defending the Faith by RC Sproul	
(excluding First Sundays)	On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays there is outreach at the Crossings Apts.	

Nursery May 14: Sarah Wilson & T. Keller May 21: A. Bandy & M. Tuggle