FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JULY 2, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

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



The Prelude

*The Call to Worship

*The Hymn of Praise No. 80"Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee"

*The Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

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.

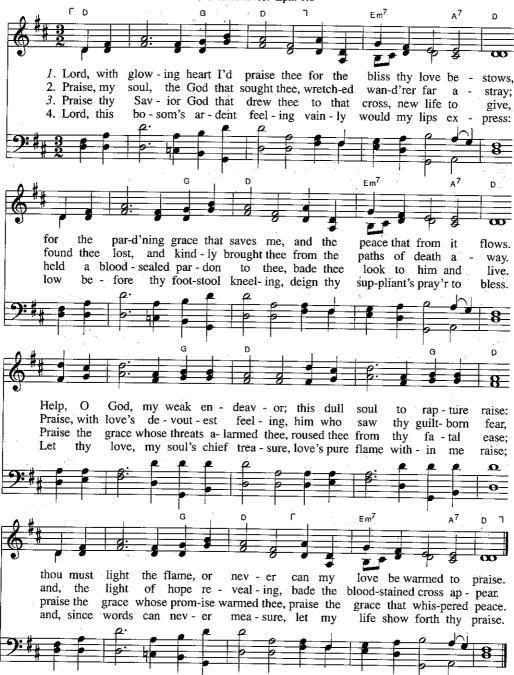
~ God Calls Us to Confess Our Sins ~

desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its

Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee

To the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. Eph. 1:6



The Prayer of Confession

Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to evil, unable of ourselves to do any good; who, by reason of our sinfulness, transgress Your holy commandments.

O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offenses! Be pleased then to have compassion on us, Father of all mercies, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt and corruption, grant us the daily increase of Your Holy Spirit that we might put to death the sin that is within us and bear all the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives.

We trust You for these graces on the basis of the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

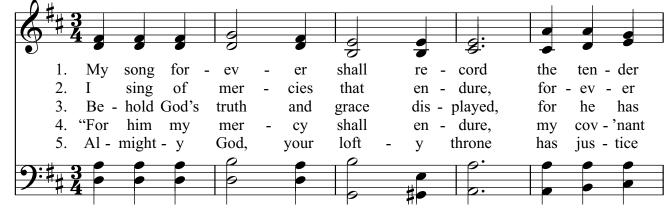
The Silent Confession

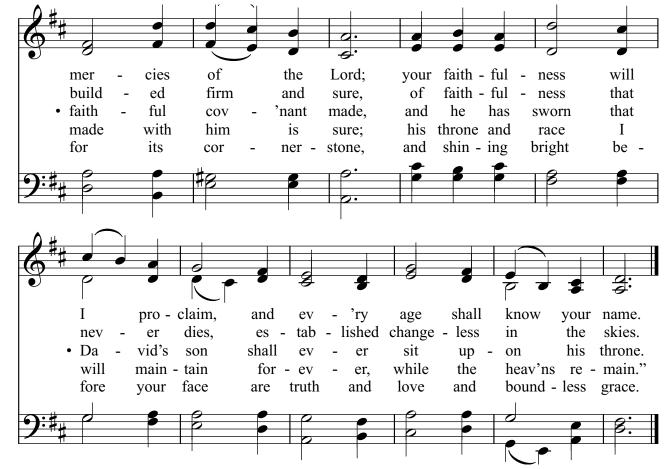
For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much

The Assurance of PardonRomans 5:17

more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 89....."My Song Forever Shall Record"





- 6. With blessing is the nation crowned whose people know the joyful sound; they in the light, O Lord, shall live, the light your face and favor give.
- 9. Blest be the LORD forevermore whose promise stands from days before. His word is faithful now as then; blest be his name. Amen! Amen!

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 PrayerPastor Ryan Biese

~ God Speaks to Us in His Word ~

*The Hymn No. 457.....""Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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



"Climax of Unbelief?" | John 12:36-43 | Page 845 | Light Shines in the Darkness No. 72

SERMON NOTES

A. Unbelief (vv. 36-37)
1. Dramatic Withdrawal (v. 36b)

2. Culpability (v. 37)
a. Why might it appear problematic that Jesus was rejected by the Jews?

b. What is worse than the Jews' rejection of Jesus as the fulfillment of their prophetic hopes?

c. Application: The hardness of men's heart...

The Sermon Pastor Ryan Biese

B. Explanation (vv. 38-41)

- 1. Prophecy: Why is rejection of Jesus not unexpected?

 - b. How did Isaiah foresee the glory of the Jesus?
- which Jesus brings?

 2. <u>Sovereignty (vv. 39-40)</u>: Is John embarrassed by the Jews' inability to

c. In what ways has Israel rejected the blessings of the New Covenant,

a. Where else has John referenced the Song of the Suffering Servant?

- believe?
 - a. How does Isaiah's commission feature in the Lord's ministry?
 - b. How is the hardening of Israel in unbelief not unjust?
 - c. What is the biting irony at the close of John's quotation from Isaiah?
 - d. Application: The power of unbelief...

- e. Application: God's purposes brought to pass...
- 3. Glory (v. 41): What did Isaiah foresee?

C. Tragedy (vv. 42-43)

- 1. Exceptions (v. 42): How does John follow the pattern set in his prologue?
 - a. What is meant by many?
 - b. What is the significance of John's including these "believers" here in John's own day? And our own?
- 2. Fear (v. 42): How does John qualify the faith these people have?
 - a. What is the precarious nature of their position?

3. Wrong Glory (v. 43): How does John crisply rebuke these believers?

b. What are ways to seek the glory from men rather than God?

~ God's People Respond to His Word ~

*The Hymn of Approach No. 472....."Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched"

~ God Shows His Commitment to Us ~

The Communion of Christ and His People at His Table

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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~ God's People Respond to His Grace Displayed ~

*The Psalm of Praise No. 117....."Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations" (page 7)

~ God Blesses His People ~ The Benediction

*The Response No. 733"The Doxology"

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Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners. Matt. 9:13



5. Lo! th'incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood; venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude: none but Jesus, none but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good, can do helpless sinners good.

FPFO YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT SERVICE & ADVENTURE WEEK JULY 12-15

If you are aware of people in need of assistance with housework, yard work, or other who have other similar needs, please let Joe Wilson know as there may still be opportunities available for the young people to serve.

Friday and Saturday of "Adventure Week" are open to all the families of the Congregation regardless of age:

Friday: Chattanooga Zoo | Saturday: Big Soddy Creek Gulf

FPFO WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

GAG NIGHT: "Games & Gab"

2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS

7:00 P.M. CHURCH LIBRARY

PLEASE CONTACT DIANA JOHNSON FOR MORE DETAILS.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 2, 2023 +The deacons have requested food and drinks no longer be brought into the auditorium. Tables and chairs are provided in the fellowship hall.

27, Rock Spring, GA 30739) on Tuesday July 4th @ 5 pm. Please bring your chairs and a picnic lunch to share. See Susan Wilson (423-305-2432) for questions. + Immediately following morning worship, there is a lunch in the fellowship hall.

+ Mike & Susan Wilson are having a July 4th bash at their home (8990 N. Highway

- + Evening worship resumes next Lord's Day. The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship on July 16.
- +The Service & Adventure Week for Youth & Young Adults will be July 12-15. Additional information will be distributed electronically.

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

Announcements for the bulletin are due weekly on Wednesdays

at 5:00 p.m. and must be emailed to office@fpfo.org. Morning Fellowship Cafe:

Lord's Days | 9:20-9:40

Nursery July 2: L. Bible & T. Keller

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.		
FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule		
The Lord's Day	Wednesday	
9:20 a.m. Fellowship Time	9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting	

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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 6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class 5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast
- **WAAK 94.7 FM** 6:30 p.m. Youth & Young Adult
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Gospel of John (excluding First Sundays) On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays
- there is outreach at the Crossings Apts. Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.

July 9: E. Tuggle & C. Rowan