

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 | 10:45 A.M.

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## \*The Call to Worship

\*The Hymn of Praise No. 176.....“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!”

## \*The Prayer of Adoration

The Confession of Faith.....The Westminster Larger Catechism No. 49

Q. How did Christ humble Himself in His death?

A. *Christ humbled Himself in His death, in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by His disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by His persecutors; having also conflicted with the terrors of death, and the powers of darkness, felt and borne the weight of God's wrath, He laid down His life an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.*

The Call to Confession.....Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## The Confession of Sin

*Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from you, if you dealt with us as we deserve.*

*We have sinned against you, O Lord, and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age.*

*By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our life, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by you.*

*To you, O Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord and with the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.*

## The Silent Confession

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## Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise! Rev. 5:12

1. Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i - le - an King!  
 2. Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on thee were laid;  
 3. Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for - ev - er to a - bide;  
 4. Wor - ship, hon - or, pow'r and bless - ing thou art wor - thy to re - ceive;

Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us; thou didst free sal - va - tion bring.  
 by al - might - y love a - noint - ed, thou hast full a - tone - ment made.  
 all the heav'n - ly hosts a - dore thee, seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side.  
 loud - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing, meet it is for us to give.

Hail, thou ag - o - niz - ing Sav - ior, bear - er of our sin and shame!  
 All thy peo - ple are for - giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood;  
 There for sin - ners thou art plead - ing; there thou dost our place pre - pare;  
 Help, ye bright an - gel - ic spir - its, bring your sweet - est, no - blest lays;

By thy mer - its we find fa - vor; life is giv - en through thy name.  
 o - pened is the gate of heav - en; peace is made 'twixt man and God.  
 ev - er for us in - ter - ced - ing till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
 help to sing our Sav - ior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

John Bakewell, 1757  
 Alt. by Martin Madan, 1760;  
 Augustus Toplady, 1776

IN BABILONE 8.7.8.7.D.  
 Traditional Netherlands melody, 1710  
 Arr. by Julius Röntgen, ca. 1906

# The Assurance of Pardon.....Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

## \*The Psalm of Response No. 115.....“Not to Us, LORD”

1. <sup>1</sup>Not to us, LORD, not to us— to your name be all the praise,  
2. <sup>4</sup>Hea - then gods are sil - ver, gold, works of hu - man art - ist - ry.  
3. <sup>8</sup>Those who make and trust in them soon grow like the gods they mold.  
4. <sup>12</sup>God the LORD re - mem - bers us, and his peo - ple he will bless.  
5. <sup>15</sup>Blest are you by God the LORD, Mak - er of the earth and heav'n!

for your cov - 'nant faith - ful - ness, for your stead - fast love and grace.  
<sup>5</sup>They have mouths, but do not speak. They have eyes, but do not see.  
• <sup>9</sup>House of Is - r'el, trust the LORD, for he is their help and shield.  
He will bless all Is - r'el's house, he will bless all Aa - ron's house.  
<sup>16</sup>High - est heavn's be - long to him, but to man the earth was giv'n.

<sup>2</sup>Why should all the na - tions say, "Where now is their God of might?"  
<sup>6</sup>They have ears, but do not hear; nos - es, but no scent have found;  
<sup>10</sup>House of Aa - ron, trust the LORD, for he is their help and shield.  
<sup>13</sup>Those who fear him, great and small, he with bless - ings will re - ward.  
<sup>17</sup>Though the dead to si - lence go, though the dead praise not the LORD,

<sup>3</sup>He will do what he de - sires. In the heav'ns our God re - sides.  
<sup>7</sup>help - less hands and use - less feet, throats that ut - ter not a sound.  
<sup>11</sup>You who fear him, trust the LORD, for he is their help and shield.  
<sup>14</sup>May you and your chil - dren grow; may the LORD in - crease you more.  
<sup>18</sup>we will hence - forth bless the LORD. Praise the LORD for - ev - er - more.

**The Encouragement to Give.....Psalm 103:10-11**

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

**The Offertory**

**The Old Testament Reading.....Genesis 28**

**The Great Prayer .....Pastor Ryan Biese**

**\*The Psalm No. 37 .....“Do Not Fret on Account of the Wicked” (pp. 4-5)**

1. <sup>1</sup>Do not fret on ac - count of the wick - ed, do not  
 2. <sup>5</sup>Let your way to the LORD be com - mit - ted; trust in  
 3. <sup>8</sup>Do not fret, it leads on - ly to e - vil; hold your  
 4. <sup>12</sup>Tho' the wick - ed may strike at the righ - teous, and their  
 5. <sup>16</sup>Tho' the righ - teous have lit - tle, it's bet - ter than the

en - vy the ones who do wrong; <sup>2</sup>for like grass they will ver - y soon  
 him— he will do what is right. <sup>6</sup>He brings righ - teous - ness forth as the  
 • tem - per and stay far from wrath, <sup>9</sup>for the wick - ed will cer - tain - ly  
 teeth they may gnash in their hate; <sup>13</sup>yet the Lord sim - ply laughs at the  
 rich - es of man - y un - just; <sup>17</sup>for the wick - ed's strong arm will be

with - er, like green plants they will not flour - ish long.  
 morn - ing, and his jus - tice as bright noon - day light.  
 • per - ish, while the god - ly in - her - it the earth.  
 wick - ed, for he sees the ap - proach of their fate.  
 bro - ken, but the LORD is the righ - teous one's trust.

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD and be up - right; then se -  
<sup>7</sup>So be si - lent and seek the LORD's pres - ence, and be  
 • <sup>10</sup>Yet a - while and the wick - ed will van - ish; though you  
<sup>14</sup>Tho' the wick - ed take aim at the righ - teous, and at -  
<sup>18</sup>Day by day cares the LORD for the blame - less, so their

cure in the land you will live. <sup>4</sup>Take de - light in the LORD a - bove  
 pa - tient un - til he re - plies; do not fret when you see those who  
 • search, they will nev - er be found. <sup>11</sup>But the land will be - long to the  
 tempt to bring down the op - pressed, <sup>15</sup>yet their bow will be bro - ken in  
 her - i - tage stands ev - er sure. <sup>19</sup>When a fam - ine comes, they will have

all things— the de - sires of your heart he will give.  
 pros - per if their schemes are pro - mot - ed through lies.  
 • hum - ble, and their wel - fare and peace will a - bound.  
 pic - es, and their sword will but pierce their own breast.  
 plen - ty, and in drought they will al - ways en - dure.

6. <sup>37</sup>Watch the blameless, consider the upright; there's a future for those who make peace.  
<sup>38</sup>but destruction awaits the rebellious, and their future will suddenly cease.  
<sup>39</sup>From the LORD comes the hope of the righteous, and in trouble defense for the meek;  
<sup>40</sup>so the LORD saves them all from the wicked, for in him their protection they seek.

**A. Faith in the Righteousness of God (v. 38)**

**B. Faith in the Resurrection of the Just (vv. 39-40)**

**C. Faithful to the Law of God (vv. 41-42)**

\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 587 .....“Who Is on the Lord’s Side?”

\*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.*

## Who Is on the Lord's Side?

*Whoever is for the LORD, come to me. Ex. 32:26*

1. Who is on the Lord's side? Who will serve the King? Who will be his  
 2. Not for weight of glo - ry, not for crown and palm, en - ter we the  
 3. Je - sus, thou hast bought us, not with gold or gem, but with thine own  
 4. Fierce may be the con - flict, strong may be the foe, but the King's own

help - ers, oth - er lives to bring? Who will leave the world's side?  
 ar - my, raise the war - rior psalm; but for Love that claim - eth  
 life - blood, for thy di - a - dem: with thy bless - ing fill - ing  
 ar - my none can o - ver - throw: round his stan - dard rang - ing,

Who will face the foe? Who is on the Lord's side? Who for  
 lives for whom he died: he whom Je - sus nam - eth must be  
 each who comes to thee, thou hast made us will - ing, thou hast  
 vic - t'ry is se - cure; for his truth un - chang - ing makes the

him will go? By thy call of mer - cy, by thy grace di - vine,  
 on his side. By thy love con - strain - ing, by thy grace di - vine,  
 made us free. By thy grand re - demp - tion, by thy grace di - vine,  
 tri - umph sure. Joy - ful - ly en - list - ing by thy grace di - vine,

we are on the Lord's side, Sav - ior, we are thine.



# Reformation Feast & Thanksgiving

5 p.m. Saturday, October 26

Please register for the meal:



MOMS  
BOOK  
STUDY

First Friday of Every Month  
10:30 a.m. at the Church  
Contact Erin Tuggle for  
more details.

## Youth & Adult Sunday School The Apocalypse & the Letters to the Seven Churches Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

### Announcement about Announcements

*As you submit announcements, please keep in mind...*

- Announcements must be emailed to [office@fpfo.org](mailto:office@fpfo.org).
- The deadline for announcements is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- Please send the text to be printed in the bulletin, which might be lightly edited for space and format.
- Announcements should be about 20-50 words and contain the important information (date, time, subject, etc.).
- Announcements in the bulletin are *generally* limited to Session-approved, church-sponsored events.
- Please circle here if you're still reading this, and you will receive a free ice cream treat next Wednesday evening.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

Announcements are due 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and must be emailed to [office@fpfo.org](mailto:office@fpfo.org).

- + Please answer God's call to worship this evening with us at 6:00 p.m. We will have our normal hymn sing to begin worship, so be ready with your requests!
- + September collection for Operation Christmas Child is 30 more soaps, 60 washcloths, 80 toothbrush caps and small bags of fishing line (not large spools).
- + Dr Jonathan Master, President of Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary will be preaching in morning and evening worship on September 29 to begin our "Reformation Month" festivities. Following evening worship there will be pie.
- + There will be no midweek activities at the church on September 25, 2024.
- + Shepherding groups for all FPFO members have been updated. Please check the bulletin board in the fellowship hall to see your group. Your RE is available for any questions or concerns you may have, and expect to hear from him soon.
- + On Saturday, October 26, 2024 we will have a "Reformation Festival and Thanksgiving Meal." Please mark your calendars for this catered supper for the congregation to feast and reflect together upon God's great goodness to us.
- + Volunteers are needed to form a committee to review and draft policies for the church nursery. If you are willing to serve, please contact Pastor Ryan Biese.

## 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](mailto:office@fpfo.org).
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the offering plate, by mailing a check to the church office, or online: [FPFO.org/give](https://FPFO.org/give).

### FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

#### The Lord's Day

#### Wednesday

9:20 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)

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper

6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting

6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class

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

Nursery: Sept. 22: Sarah Wilson & M. Tuggle

Sept. 29: J. Porter & T. Keller