

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | NOVEMBER 19, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

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## The Announcements

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



## \*The Call to Worship

~ God's People Respond to His Call to Worship ~

\*The Hymn of Praise No. 715 ..... "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

\*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith ..... The Heidelberg Catechism No. 84

Q. How does preaching the holy gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

A. *According to the command of Christ: The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of Christ's merit, truly forgives all their sins. The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the wrath of God and eternal condemnation rest on them. God's judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.*

The Call to Confession ..... 1 John 2:15–16

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.

## 715

## Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

*The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Matt. 13:39*

1. Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home:  
 2. All the world is God's own field, fruit un-to his praise to yield;  
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har-vest home;  
 4. E-ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi-nal har-vest home;

all is safe-ly gath-ered in, ere the win-ter storms be-gin;  
 wheat and tares to- geth-er sown, un-to joy or sor-row grown:  
 from his field shall in that day all of-fens-es purge a-way;  
 gath-er thou thy peo-ple in, free from sor-row, free from sin;

God, our Mak-er, doth pro-vide for our wants to be sup-plied:  
 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap-pear:  
 give his an-gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there for-ev-er pu-ri-fied, in thy pres-ence to a-bide:

come to God's own tem-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home.  
 Lord of har-vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit-ful ears to store in his gar-ner ev-er-more.  
 come, with all thine an-gels, come, raise the glo-rious har-vest home.

## The Confession of Sin

*O our God! We are ashamed, and blush to lift up our faces before you for our iniquities are higher than our heads, and our guilt has reached unto the heavens. We were sinful at birth, even from the time our parents conceived us. We are by nature children of wrath. We have corrupted our way and turned aside from your holy laws. You are not in all our thoughts. We have often forgotten you, the God who formed us, and have lived for ourselves, indulging the lusts of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. But now we repent. We grieve over ourselves and turn from our sins, calling on you to forgive us and to renew a clean heart and mind within us, through the merit and mediation of your sinless Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

## The Silent Confession

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

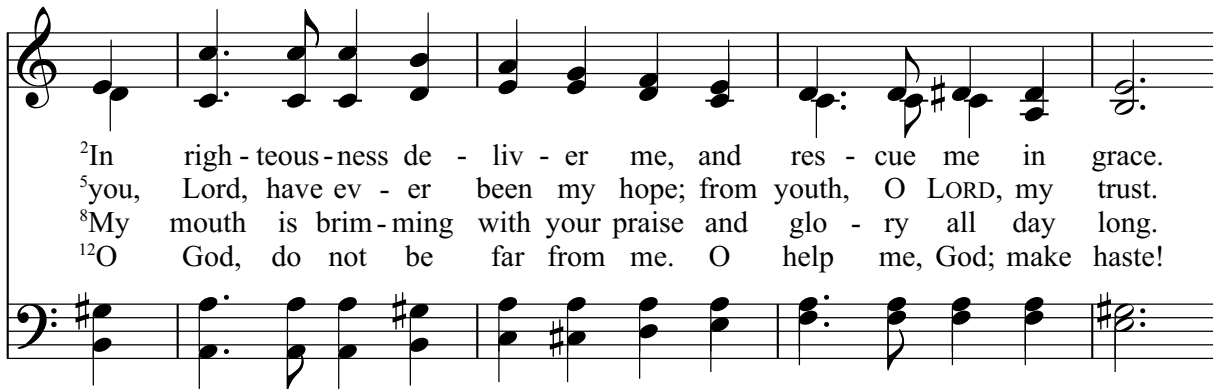
## The Assurance of Pardon.....1 Peter 1:18-19

You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

## \*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 71 .....“In You, LORD, I Take Refuge”



1. <sup>1</sup>In you, LORD, I take refuge; protect me from disgrace.  
2. <sup>4</sup>From wicked hands, God, free me, hands cruel and unjust;  
3. <sup>7</sup>To many I'm a wonder; you are my refuge strong.  
4. <sup>11</sup>They say, "God has forsaken! Pursue him! None will save!"



<sup>2</sup>In righteousness deliver me, and rescue me in grace.  
<sup>5</sup>you, Lord, have ever been my hope; from youth, O LORD, my trust.  
<sup>8</sup>My mouth is brimming with your praise and glory all day long.  
<sup>12</sup>O God, do not be far from me. O help me, God; make haste!

<sup>3</sup>A rock of ref - uge be to me, my con - stant safe re - sort.  
<sup>6</sup>I leaned up - on you from my birth and through my ear - ly days;  
<sup>9</sup>Re - ject me not when I am old, when all my strength is spent;  
<sup>13</sup>A - shamed may my ac - cus - ers be, my foes con - sumed by scorn.

Sal - va - tion you or - dained for me; you are my rock and fort.  
 you took me from my moth - er's womb. I give you con - stant praise.  
<sup>10</sup>for en - e - mies are watch - ing me, to - geth - er they con - sent.  
<sup>14</sup>But I will ev - er hope in you, and praise you more and more.

5. My mouth will tell your justice, your saving deeds convey;  
 they number more than I can know; I'll tell them all the day.  
 I'll come proclaiming mighty deeds that you, Lord GOD, have wrought;  
 your righteousness, and yours alone, the peoples will be taught.

**The Encouragement to Give .....1 Corinthians 16:1-4**

Now concerning the collection for the saints: as I directed the churches of Galatia, so you also are to do. On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come. And when I arrive, I will send those whom you accredit by letter to carry your gift to Jerusalem. If it seems advisable that I should go also, they will accompany me.

**The Offertory**

**The Great Prayer.....Elder Wil Davis**

**\*The Psalm No. 119 .....“Do Good to Me and I Will Live” (p. 4)**

# Psalm 119C

1. <sup>17</sup>Do good to me and I will live; your ser - vant  
2. <sup>19</sup>A pil - grim on the earth am I; hide not your  
3. <sup>21</sup>The proud and cursed ones you re - buke, who from your  
4. <sup>23</sup>Though rul - ers sit and plot my harm, I med - i -

will o - bey your word. <sup>18</sup>My eyes now o - pen,  
good com - mands from me. <sup>20</sup>Con - sumed with long - ing  
pre - cepts go a - stray. <sup>22</sup>Re - move con - tempt and  
tate on your de - cree. <sup>24</sup>Your stat - utes bring me

let me see great won - ders in your law, O LORD.  
is my soul, be - cause your laws I yearn to see.  
scorn from me, for all your stat - utes I o - bey.  
great de - light, for they are ad - vi - sors un - to me.

SERMON NOTES

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**A. Saved for Obedience (v. 15)**

1. Changed from Hostility to Love
2. Love for Christ Motivates Obedience
3. Positive Obedience: Keeping His word

**B. Helped in Obedience (v. 16)**

1. Obedience Enabled
2. The Nature of the Helper

**C. The Spirit of Truth (v. 17)**

1. Christ's Spirit
2. Truth and Spirit
3. The World and the Spirit
4. The Spirit's Ministry to the Disciples

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Hymn of Commitment ..... "Eternal Spirit, God of Truth" (pp. 6-7)

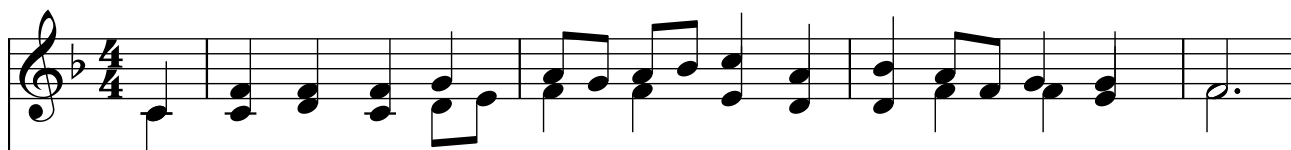
~ God Blesses His People ~

\*The Benediction

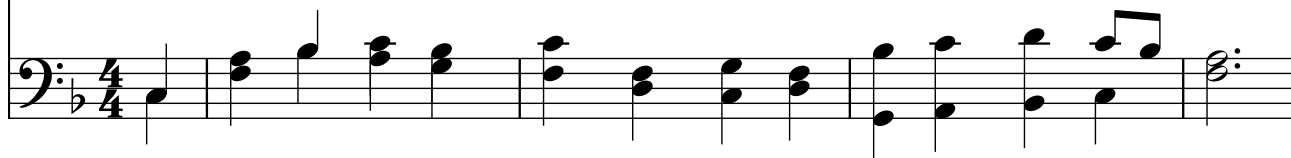
\*The Response No. 735 ..... "The Gloria Patri"

*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.*

## Eternal Spirit, God of Truth



1. E - ter - nal Spir - it, God of truth, our con - trite hearts in - spire;  
2. Sub - due the pow'r of ev - 'ry sin, what - e'er that sin may be,

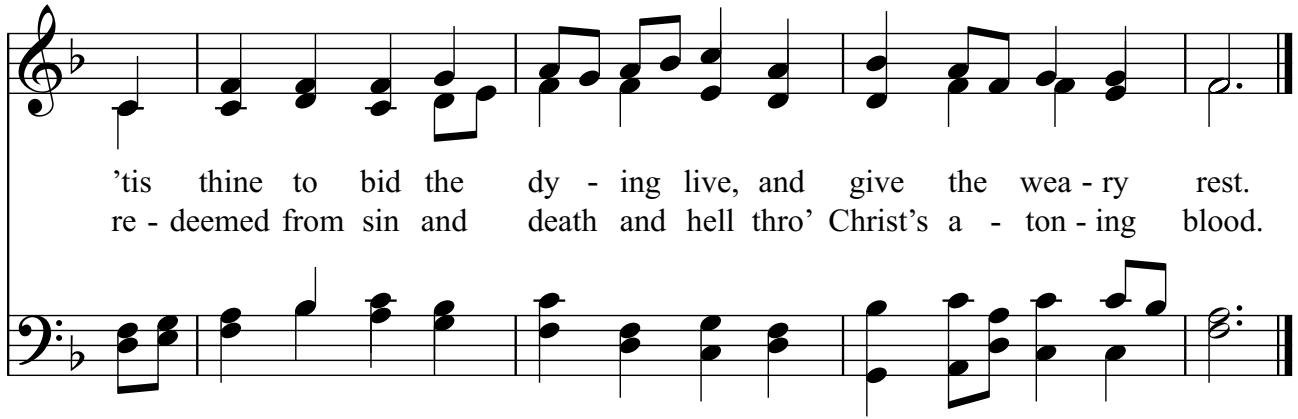


ig - nite a flame of heav'n - ly love, and feed the pure de - sire.  
that we, in sin - gle - ness of heart, may wor - ship on - ly thee.





'Tis thine to soothe the sor - r'wing mind, with guilt and fear op - pressed;  
Then with our spir - it wit - ness bear that we are sons of God,



'tis thine to bid the dy - ing live, and give the wea - ry rest.  
re - deemed from sin and death and hell thro' Christ's a - ton - ing blood.

## Youth & Young Adult Christmas Party

Friday, December 9, 2023 | 5:00 p.m.

At the home of Jeff & Beth Rowan



# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2023

- + Evening worship continues tonight at 6:00 p.m. with the Lord's supper; come and answer God's call to worship Him at the close of the Lord's Day.
- + Volunteers are needed for nursery duty for evening worship. Please see Mary Lou Wilson if you are willing to help.
- + We are collecting diapers (sizes 3-6) for the *Choices Pregnancy Ministry* until November 26. Thanks to all who contribute. The box is in the fellowship hall.
- + The Session and Women in the Church will have their monthly meetings on Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m. there will be no children's classes or regular prayer meeting then.
- + The Annual Thanksgiving Feast is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Supper is provided.

## 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).



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## FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

### The Lord's Day

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)

### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting  
5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper  
6:30-7:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Children's Singing Class  
6:30 p.m. Youth & Young Adult  
*Defending the Faith* by RC Sproul  
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.**

Nursery Nov. 19: M. Wilson & L. Bible

Nov. 26: J. Porter & A. Wilson