

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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 Psalm of Praise No. 99 "The LORD God Reigns on High" (pages 2-3)

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Nos. 69-70

Q. How does holy baptism remind and assure you that Christ's one sacrifice on the cross benefits you personally?

A. *In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it promised that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul's impurity, that is, all my sins.*

Q. What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

A. *To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross. To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we die to sin and live holy and blameless lives.*

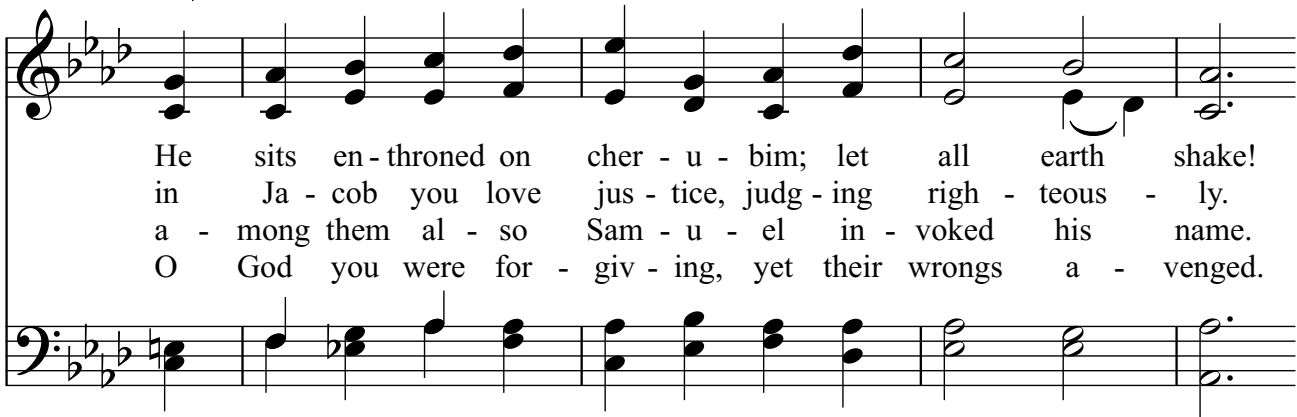
The Call to Confession..... Luke 24:46-47

Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

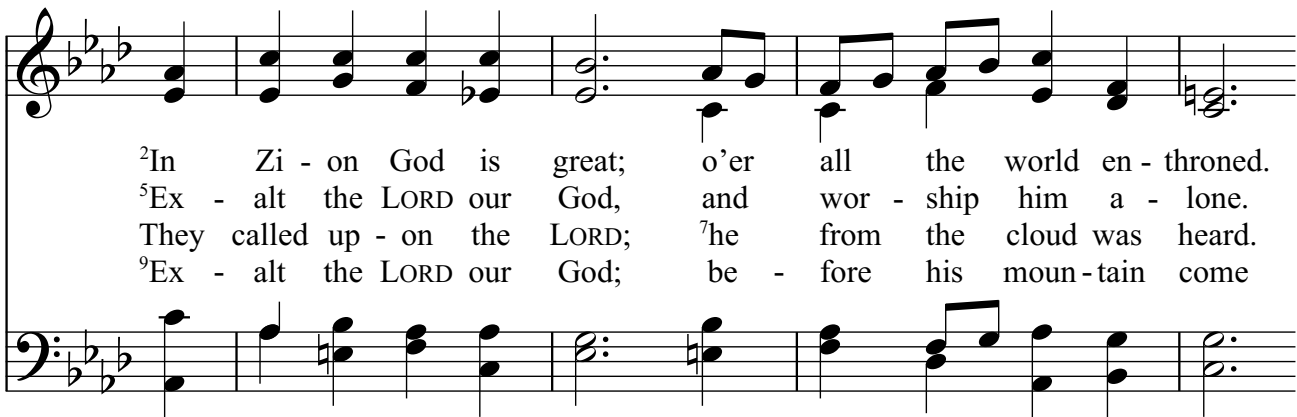
Psalm 99A



1. ¹The LORD God reigns on high; let all the peo - ples quake!
2. ⁴The might - y King is just, or - dain - ing eq - ui - ty;
3. ⁶For Mo - ses was his priest, and Aar - on was the same;
4. ⁸O LORD our sov - 'reign God, you an - swered their la - ment.



He sits en - throned on cher - u - bim; let all earth shake!
in Ja - cob you love jus - tice, judg - ing righ - teous - ly.
a - mong them al - so Sam - u - el in - voked his name.
O God you were for - giv - ing, yet their wrongs a - venged.



²In Zi - on God is great; o'er all the world en - throned.
⁵Ex - alt the LORD our God, and wor - ship him a - lone.
They called up - on the LORD; ⁷he from the cloud was heard.
⁹Ex - alt the LORD our God; be - fore his moun - tain come

³O praise his great and awe - some name, the Ho - ly One!
 O come and at his foot - stool bow, the Ho - ly One.
 His tes - ti - mo - nies they o - beyed and kept his word.
 and wor - ship God, for he is LORD, the Ho - ly One.

The Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have not obeyed your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent according to your promises declared unto us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. In Jesus' name we pray,

The Silent Confession

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

The Assurance of Pardon Titus 3:5-7

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

***The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 189 "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"**

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

The Encouragement to Give 1 Corinthians 16:2

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.

The Offertory

The Great Prayer Elder David Bosshardt

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Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Gal. 2:20

C G C F F/C C

1. Je - sus loves me, this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2. Je - sus loves me, he who died, heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3. Je - sus loves me, loves me still, though I'm ver - y weak and ill;
 4. Je - sus loves me, he will stay close be - side me all the way:

G C F C C/G G⁷ C

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 from his shin - ing throne on high comes to watch me where I lie.
 if I love him, when I die he will take me home on high.

REFRAIN F C G

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

C F C/G G⁷ C 7

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

*The Hymn....."How Deep the Father's Love for Us"(pages 4-5)

Unison

Musical notation for the first system, featuring a treble clef staff with a 3/2 time signature and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in a single line with various note values and rests.

1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all mea -
 2. Be - hold the man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his shoul -
 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis -

Musical notation for the second system, continuing the melody from the first system with treble and bass staves.

Musical notation for the third system, continuing the melody with treble and bass staves.

sure, that he should give his on - ly Son to
 ders; a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call
 dom; but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, his

Musical notation for the fourth system, continuing the melody with treble and bass staves.

Musical notation for the fifth system, continuing the melody with treble and bass staves.

make a wretch his trea - sure. How great the pain of sear - ing
 out a - mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held him
 death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from his re -

Musical notation for the sixth system, concluding the melody with treble and bass staves.

loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way as
 there un - til it was ac - com - plished; his
 ward? I can - not give an an - swer, but

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
 dy - ing breath has brought me life— I know that it is fin - ished.
 this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ran - som.

The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese

“Danger” | John 13:31-38 | p. 847 | *Light Shines in the Darkness* No. 79

SERMON NOTES

A. Love (vv. 31-35)

B. Presumption (vv. 36-37)

1. Peter Ignores the Command (v. 36)

a. In what way is Peter’s response very normal?

b. What is Jesus trying to teach the disciples?

2. Jesus Doesn't Answer (v. 36)

3. Peter Insists (v. 37)

C. Betrayal (v. 38)

1. Peter Not Ready to Die

2. The Reasons Behind Peter's Fall

a. Peter the Rock?

b. Some of the "seeds" of Peter's Fall

1) ***Ignorance of Jesus' words***

2) ***Ignorance of his own strength***

3) ***Overconfidence***

4) ***Neglect of spiritual duties and resources***

c. What can we learn from Peter for our own growth in grace?

3. Peter Will Follow Jesus

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Jesus, Lover of My Soul

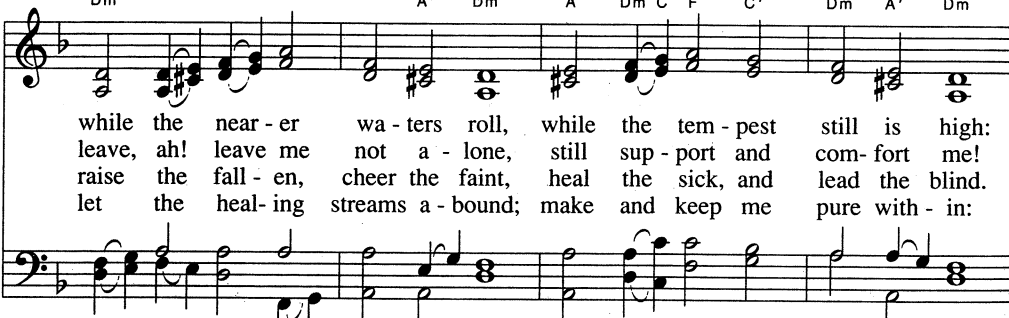
Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? Rom. 8:35

Dm A⁷ Dm A Dm A⁷ Dm A



1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bo - som fly,
2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on thee;
3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:
4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er all my sin;

Dm A⁷ Dm A Dm C F C⁷ Dm A⁷ Dm



while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is high:
leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort me!
raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in:

Γ B^b F B^b C⁷ F C⁷ F Dm A Dm C F E⁷ Am



hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness;
thou of life the foun - tain art, free - ly let me take of thee;

B^b F Dm Gm A Dm A⁷ Dm 7



safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last!
cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.
spring thou up with - in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

*The Hymn of Commitment No. 508 "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

~ 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.*

Save the Date!

First Presbyterian Church

40th Anniversary Thanksgiving & Celebration

The Lord's Day, October 1, 2023

Worship 10:45 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Dr. J. Ligon Duncan, preaching

5:15 p.m. Reception



Modernism or Christianity?

Fall Sunday School Starting Sept. 3
Combined Youth & Adults Class

Examining Machen's Christianity & Liberalism a century after its publication reveals the roots of the current post-modern societal dysfunction and vindicates the timeless and transcendent truths of Christianity as well as the urgent need of Christ, His gospel, and His Church.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

- + Evening worship resumes tonight at 6:00 p.m. Some of the young children will be offering the prelude beginning at 5:50 p.m. The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship next Lord's Day.
- + Drivers are needed to help shuttle Covenant College students back and forth on Lord's Days. If you are willing to serve in this area, please let Ryan know.
- + This year for Operation Christmas Child, we are focusing on filling boxes for 10 - 14 yr old boys, a frequently under-served age group. For September, please consider bringing items such as pencils, sm. pencil sharpeners, pencil bags (not boxes), 6 inch rulers, colored pencils, ink pens, erasers, and sm. spiral notebooks.
- + Copies of the third installment of the Church History are available on the table with the orders of worship.
- + There is a signup sheet in the Fellowship Hall for people willing to bring food for the 40th Anniversary Reception on October 1.
- + The ladies of Cornerstone OPC have invited the ladies of FPFO to a tea on October 7 at 11:00 a.m. For more information, please see the invitation posted on the WIC bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

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 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

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 Sept. 10: R. Wilson & E. Tuggle

Sept. 17 E. Wilson & T. Keller