

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | MAY 21, 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 Hymn of Praise No. 101 "**Come, Thou Almighty King**"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism No. 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. *That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.*

The Law of God.....**John 15:12–17**

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

Come, Thou Almighty King

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Cor. 13:14

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1. Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing,
 2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword,
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4. To the great One in Three e - ter - nal prais - es be,

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help us to praise. Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour. Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in
 hence ev - er - more. His sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in

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to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Word suc - cess; Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 ev - ery heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

The Confession of Sin

Almighty and everlasting God, who orders all things in heaven and on earth, and Who made all ages a preparation for the coming of Your Son, we confess before You that we have sinned. We have not loved You as we ought. We have exercised false priorities, maintained false concepts of God, taken vows we have not kept, failed to honor Your Lord's Day. Furthermore, we have not loved one another as we ought. We have failed to give honor to whom it is due, failed to preserve life, failed in maintaining purity of heart, taken what is not ours, borne false witness to make ourselves look better, and we have entertained covetous thoughts.

O God forgive our sins! We are sorry for them. We look to the merit and mediation of our Savior, Jesus Christ, to wash our sins away. Grant that we may grow in true faith and obedience to the honor of Your great Name.

The Silent Confession

~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

The Assurance of Pardon1 John 2:1-2

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins.

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

*The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 118 "Now Open Wide the Gates"

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 12. 19 Now o - pen wide the gates for me, The; 13. 20 This is the gate that is the LORD's, The; 14. 22 That stone is now the cor - ner - stone That; 15. 24 This is the day the LORD has made; Let

gates of righ - teous - ness, And I will en - ter
 righ - teous en - ter in. ²¹ I'm thank - ful You have
 build - ers once de - spised. ²³ This is the do - ing
 us be glad and sing. ²⁵ Ho - san - na, LORD! O

in through them; With thanks the LORD I'll bless.
 an - swered me; My Sav - ior You have been.
 of the LORD, And won - drous in our eyes.
 give suc - cess! O LORD, sal - va - tion bring!

16. ²⁶ O blessed is the one who comes,
 Comes in the LORD's great name.
 A blessing from the LORD's own house
 Upon you we proclaim.

18. ²⁸ You are my God, I'll give You thanks;
 My God, I'll give you praise.
²⁹ O thank the LORD, for He is good;
 His love lasts endless days.

The Offering.....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 Great Prayer

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

*The Hymn No. 235“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

"Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!" John 12:13

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
 2. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent:
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!

Thou art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 to thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

II. Main Argument

A. The Plot (vv. 9-11)

1. Crowds Combined (vv. 9, 11): What is the crisis for the Jewish Senate?

2. Conspiracy Compounded (v. 10)

a. What do the religious leaders now propose?

b. **Application**: *Sin is never satisfied.*

B. The People (vv. 12-13)

1. Another Crowd (v. 12)

a. Why is John more concerned about timing in the final week?

b. To whom does John refer to as *the crowd*?

2. The Greeting (v. 13)

a. What did palm branches signify for the Hebrews in Jesus' day?

b. The Greeting

1) Hosanna:

2) Blessed...

3) The King of Israel..

c. How is the mission of Jesus summarized in this greeting?

d. **Application**: *The voluntary nature of Christ's death...*

C. The Prophecy (vv. 14-16)

1. Fulfillment (v. 14): How does Jesus intentionally follow what was announced by the prophet in order to reveal His identity?

2. The Prince of Peace (v. 15): How does Jesus demonstrate the manner of His kingship by riding on a donkey?
 - a. His Passover an especially fitting time for Jesus to arrive?

 - b. **Application: *Freedom from fear is found in Christ alone.***

3. Spiritual Insight (v. 16): Why did the disciples understand only later?

D. The King (vv. 17-19)

1. Witness (v. 17)

2. Amazement (v. 18)

3. Rebellion (v. 19): How are the words of the pharisees ironic?

III. Conclusion

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

*The Psalm of Commitment No. TH311...."Hail to the Lord's Anointed" (Psalm 72)

~ God Blesses His People ~

*The Benediction

*The Response No. 735 "The Gloria Patri"

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Hail to the Lord's Anointed

In his days the righteous will flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.
Ps. 72:7

1. Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
2. He comes with com - fort speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong;
3. He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;
4. O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest,

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth;
from age to age more glo - rious, all - bless - ing and all - blessed;

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,
to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
and righ - teous - ness, in foun - tains, from hill to val - ley flow.
his name shall stand for - ev - er— that name to us is Love.

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.

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.

Summer Adult Sunday School Course

“What comes to mind when someone mentions ‘meditation’? Have you given much thought to the immensely helpful practice of *Christian* meditation? Thomas Watson observed, “The devil is an enemy of meditation . . . He knows that meditation is a means to compose the heart, and to bring it into a gracious frame.” James Ussher counseled people over 350 years ago: “One hour spent [in meditation], is worth more than a thousand sermons, and this is no debasing of the word, but an honor unto it.” This summer the adult Sunday school class will be using David Saxton’s book, *God’s Battle Plan for the Mind: The Puritan Practice of Biblical Meditation*, as a tool to guide us in the practice of Christian meditation. We may also think of this series as an extended, practical application of Romans 12:2: to be transformed by the renewing of the mind. The book is short, which will allow ample time for discussion and examples for consideration, so please join RE Bowers as he leads this study from June 4 through August 27.

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 21, 2023

- + The deacons have requested food and drinks no longer be brought into the auditorium. Tables and chairs are provided in the fellowship hall.
- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship tonight.
- + 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.
- + This year for Operation Christmas Child, we are focusing on filling boxes for 10-14-year-old boys, a frequently under-served age group. For May, please consider bringing items such as soccer balls (deflated) and pumps, Nerf balls, fishing lines, weights, and/or hooks, as well as playing cards.

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FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

The Lord's Day

9:30 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 May 21: A. Bandy & M. Tuggle

May 28: R. Wilson & A. Wilson