

GATHERING

O God of steadfast love and faithfulness, as I begin this day in expectation, I turn my heart toward you, for I am your beloved. Fill me with your wisdom and insight and guide my feet into the way of peace as I walk your righteous path. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

God has accomplished all things through Christ,
so that we might live as God's own children.
Let us give thanks to God
and live for the praise of God's glory.

* **HYMN 33** Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show Llanfair

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Declan Joseph Bishop

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy, holy, holy Lord, you are the God of glory. We confess that we often forget that your holiness is dangerous. We take our impurities for granted, make excuses for the sins we commit, and expect you to overlook the harm we cause while still demanding justice from others. We do not deserve your mercy. Forgive us and return us to a right relationship with you for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. You made us for the purpose of praising you; enliven us with the Holy Spirit so that we can fulfill our calling in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now, O Lord, transform us as we continue our confession in silence.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **ACT OF PRAISE**

Gloria Patri

Hymn 581

*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.*

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-11 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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SOLO

Laudate Dominum
Lindsey Neumann, soprano

W. A. Mozart

Praise the Lord all nations, praise Him all ye people, For his merciful kindness is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Vicki Sumner

(Children will remain seated with their families for the Time for Young Disciples.)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Mark Hults, Fred Lundy, Scott Stuart, Vicki Sumner

ELDER: Tim Schubert

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USHERS: Roger Bachmann, Marilyn Bachmann, Pam Bailey, Carol Turner, Cyndie Williams

VIDEO TEAM: Kaylee Bleeker, Troy Bleeker, John Rayl, Dylan Tillery

SOUND: Bruce Brashear

CONGRATULATIONS to Mitchell and Meghan Bishop on the baptism of their son, Declan Bishop, in worship this morning. Isla and Landon are big sister and big brother.

THE ROSE ON THE BAPTISMAL FONT is given to the glory of God and with joy and thanksgiving to announce the birth of Evan Sharkey Conerly on June 28, 2021. He is the son of Colin and Megan Conerly and brother of Zack, Alex, and Max. He is also the grandson of Mary and Richard Sharkey.

WE BID A FOND FAREWELL to Joshua and Lindsey Neumann. We are grateful for the incredible gifts of music that they have offered in worship at First Presbyterian Church for the past ten years. Josh is taking up a new position as a Digital Musicologist and Research Assistant at the Academy of Sciences and Literature in Mainz, Germany, where he will contribute to the National Research Data Infrastructure for Culture. Lindsey will pursue a variety of performance projects, focusing primarily on sacred music and recital spaces.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that His presence will sustain you in the week ahead. Visitors are welcome to participate in the worship and the work of First Presbyterian Church. You can find a "Three Steps to Membership" card with information about how to join the church in the pew racks. If you feel a call to commit your life to Jesus Christ and His Church, please speak to the pastor or an elder after worship.

Prayer of Belief: *Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.* (If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please let the pastor or elders on duty know.)

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show 33

(Psalm 150)

1 Praise the Lord! God's glo - ries show,
 2 Earth to heaven ex - alt the strain, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Strings and voic - es, hands and hearts,

saints with - in God's courts be - low,
 Send it, heaven, to earth a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia!
 in the con - cert, bear your parts,

an - gels round the throne a - bove,
 Age to age, God's mer - cies trace, Al - le - lu - ia!
 All that breathes, your Lord a - dore,

all who see and share God's love.
 Praise God's prov - i - dence and grace! Al - le - lu - ia!
 sing - ing praise for - ev - er - more,

Originally cast as two eight-line stanzas, this 19th-century paraphrase of Psalm 150 was slightly shortened when it was set to the present tune with recurring Alleluias. The Welsh tune is actually older than the text and bears a name meaning "the church of St. Mary."

TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; rev. 1836, alt.
 MUSIC: Robert Williams, 1817; harm. David Evans, 1927
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LLANFAIR
 7.7.7.7 with alleluias

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. ⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE CHURCH

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

TEXT: John Fawcett, 1782
 MUSIC: Johann Georg Nägeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

DENNIS
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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 37:1-11 (NRSV)

¹ Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. ² This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father’s wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. ³ Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. ⁴ But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. ⁵ Once Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more. ⁶ He said to them, “Listen to this dream that I dreamed. ⁷ There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright; then your sheaves gathered around it, and bowed down to my sheaf.” ⁸ His brothers said to him, “Are you indeed to reign over us? Are you indeed to have dominion over us?” So they hated him even more because of his dreams and his words. ⁹ He had another dream, and told it to his brothers, saying, “Look, I have had another dream: the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me.” ¹⁰ But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him, and said to him, “What kind of dream is this that you have had? Shall we indeed come, I and your mother and your brothers, and bow to the ground before you?” ¹¹ So his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

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Thanks be to God.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 러 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

GLORIFY GOD

The Church Office will be closed on Fridays through August 6. Our regular hours will be Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thank you for your understanding.

The Local Missions Committee is participating in Gainesville Community Ministry's Backpack Drive for Kids. Filled backpacks will be distributed to families at GCM starting on July 28. You may bring school supplies (empty or filled backpacks, water bottles, earbuds, or basic supplies) to First Presbyterian Church on Sundays in July or to the Reverse Drive-Thru on Sunday, July 25. Donations can also be brought directly to GCM (238 SW 4th Ave) Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to Noon. You may donate financially through FPC or directly at GCMHELP.org. Thanks for your support of students in our neighborhood!

MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

Nursery Update: We are working diligently to re-open our church nursery. A survey was sent to families to help us understand the needs of the congregation. For now, please know we welcome all ages in the sanctuary for worship. Our playground is available for any who wish to utilize it mid-service. Contact Vicki Sumner at children@1stpc.org with questions.

Children's Worship Bags are located in the Narthex and the Sanctuary entrance from Gordon Hall. Pick one up before the worship service to help your child participate in worship. After the service, please return all bags to the baskets. **Digital versions of our children's worship guides can be found in the Weekly Invite emails from the church.* We encourage your family to discuss worship together - even if you don't use the guide.

College Trajectory Bible Study meets in the parlor on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please email Scott Stuart at college@1stpc.org.

Young Adult & Family Ministry: We are meeting this summer in various way on various days at various times - both in person and online. For more information on Young Adult & Young Family Ministry gatherings, please email Fred Lundy at youngadult@1stpc.org.

Gordon Hoover Now Meets in the Library: Join the class at 9:30 a.m. in the church library to study Acts 3. Enter through the Mary Gate, the north Preschool door, or the sanctuary. All are welcome! Email Perry Foote with questions at palbertfoote@gmail.com.

MEET HUMAN NEEDS

Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence: Marilyn Ast, Melda Bassett, Jayne Fox, Emily Hoyer, Elizabeth Miller, and Theral Moore. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Trinity Gilkey, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez, Joe Mueller, and Paul Samala. Essential worker: Bill Clark.

Is Hospitality Your Gift? We are looking for people to help with the fellowship time after church. Are you worshipping at home, but willing to bake cookies? Or worshipping in-person and can greet the congregation? Contact Maralyn Foote for more details at 352-318-5975.

Online contributions can be made through your computer or smart phone. Go to 1stpc.org and click the red Pushpay icon. Give to the General Budget or specify the designated ministry in the memo section. Text contributions, bill pay through your bank, and electronic funds transfers are also options. Questions? Contact Trudy Bonerba at business@1stpc.org.

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