



Service for the Lord's Day • November 19, 2023
Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ, and Meet Human Needs

GATHERING

I give thanks this day for the gift of Christ and the privilege to follow in his way. This is the greatest life-giving treasure that I am called to steward; may I share this as freely as I have received it from the One who gave himself for the life of the world, Jesus Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Church Yard Signs

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord

arr. V. Charter

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

"Follow me," Jesus said to the tax collector.

"Have dinner with me," he says to the sinner.

Those who are well have no need of a physician.

But those who will admit their need find a Savior.

* **HYMN 396**

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

HOLY MANNA

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you have shown us the ways of justice and nurtured us with love. Even so, we have not lived according to your will. When we are oppressed or unjustly accused, we cling to fear and forget to trust in your deliverance. When we are giddy with power and abuse the rights of others, we hold tight to our privilege and forget your laws. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are weak and prone to disobedience. Hear our confession, and respond to us with kindness, that we might turn to you again, walk in the light, and live in equity and peace; through Jesus Christ we pray. 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 FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 103:1-13 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (11 A.M.)

Lord of the Small

D. Forrest

Praise to the Lord of the small, broken things, Who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing, Who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street, Who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet. Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid, Who girds them with courage and lends them His aid; He pours out His spirit on vessels so weak that the timid can serve and the silent can speak. Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill, Who heals their afflictions, or carries them till they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly, to never be sick and never to die. Praise him, O praise Him, all ye who live, Who've been given so much and can so little give, our frail, lisping praise God will never despise: He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11 A.M.)

Sarah Whitfield

(Afterward, children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will be dismissed to Kids-4-God.)

* **HYMN 442**

Just as I Am, without One Plea

WOODWORTH

GOSPEL READING

Mark 2:13-17 (NRSV)

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Thanks be to God.

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SERMON

Being a Disciple: The Sick

Rev. Mark Hults

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONDING

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Domine Deus

A. Vivaldi

Gabriella Pizzi, soprano

*Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.
Lord God, Heavenly King, God Almighty Father.*

* **DOXOLOGY**

Hymn 606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:30 A.M.)

(Gluten-Free)

SENDING

* **HYMN 610**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

* **BENEDICTION**

* **POSTLUDE**

Cantabile

F. Chopin

TODAY IN WORSHIP

WORSHIP LEADERS: Robert Chamberlain, Fleetwood Fleming, Mark Hults, Bob Lentz, Missy Lentz, Dan Sutton, Sarah Whitfield

ELDER ON DUTY: Fleetwood Fleming

ACOLYTE: Parker Mears

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST: Mitch Rorick

ORGANIST AND CHANCEL CHOIR ACCOMPANIST: Tiffany Fung

CHANCEL CHOIR

CHAPEL USHERS: Howard & Margaret Lingg; **SANCTUARY USHERS:** Roger Bachmann, Ken Mears, Matthew Morse, Carol Turner

VIDEO TEAM: Marin Best, Owen Best, John Rayl; **SOUND:** Bruce Brashear

THE FLOWERS IN WORSHIP are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Art, by Susan Kluge.

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.)

Leadership

Rev. Mark Hults
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Dink Henderson
Treasurer

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	Sarah Whitfield	

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Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 396




1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.
 2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis-ter aid - ed him.
 3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?
 4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.



Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?
 Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?
 Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?
 Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.



All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.
 Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.
 Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis - ters, let your prayers a - bound!
 Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.



Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man - na will be scat-tered all a-round.
 Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

This hymn comes out of the early 19th-century southern camp meeting experience, where believers were invited to pray for new converts, often likened to biblical characters such as Paul's jailer (Philippians 1:12-13). As its name shows, the five-note tune was created for this text.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 103:1-13 (NRSV)

¹Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. ²Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—³who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. ⁶The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. ⁷He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. ⁸The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹²as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. ¹³As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

442 Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,
4 Just as I am, thy love un-known has bro - ken

blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me
con - flict, man - ya doubt, fight - ings and fears with -
par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise
ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

come to thee,
in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!
I be - lieve,
thine a - lone,

TEXT: Charlotte Elliott, 1834, alt.; Spanish trans. Tomás M. Westrup, alt; Korean trans. anon.
MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1849; harm. *The Hymnbook*, 1955
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GOSPEL READING

Mark 2:13-17 (NRSV)

¹³Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁵And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

SPANISH

1 *Mil voces para celebrar
 a mi Libertador,
 las glorias de su majestad,
 los triunfos de su amor.*

KOREAN

1 만 입이 내게 있으면
 그 입 다 가지고
 내 구주 주신 은총을
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.; Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagura;

Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001

MUSIC: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

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GLORIFY GOD

Thank you to all who attended the Veterans Day Concert. The offering of \$1,783 will benefit veterans' outreach in Gainesville. If you were unable to attend but would like to contribute, you may place a check in the offering plate payable to First Presbyterian Church, memo "Concert for a Cause - Veterans." Also thank you to the Congregational Care committee and Circle 5 for hosting the dinner after the concert.

The church office is closed Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24. Happy Thanksgiving.

MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

Nursery Care (6 weeks old through pre-kindergarten) is available on Sundays from 10:45 a.m. through the end of the 11 a.m. worship service. Email Jenna Mueller at jdmueller2009@gmail.com with questions or to sign up. Families, please find the sign-in cart upstairs in the Christian Education building by room 204. ***The nursery is seeking the donation of a pack 'n play.*

Children and Youth Sunday School for K-12th grade and meets in the Art Room on the second floor of the Christian Education building at 9:30 a.m. Come join us!

Time for Young Disciples: All children are invited to the front steps for a special lesson during 11 a.m. worship. Afterward, children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will be dismissed to Kids-4-God and all others will return to sit with their families.

Kids-4-God: Children (K-2) will gather in Room 217 after the Time for Young Disciples to engage with their faith through the end of the service. Families will reunite with their children in Gordon Hall following the worship service. Volunteers are needed to help with this and Sunday School. Please contact Evelyn Lewis at citytr122@gmail.com.

LOGOS: (Ages 3 through high school) *We are on Thanksgiving Break this Wednesday, November 22.* Join us again next week on November 29 from 3:30-6:45 p.m. for LEGO Night. LOGOS includes worship arts, Bible time, recreation, and fellowship for children and youth with \$5 family time dinner at 6 p.m. Questions? Contact Bev Vloedman, dvloedman@aol.com.

Save the Date for Youth Summer Camps 2024: Mark your calendars now and watch for more information to reserve your spot! *The Great Escape* (entering 6th-9th) July 16-21 at Southwind in Ocklawaha, FL and *Fun in the Sun* (entering 9th- graduates) June 23-28 in St. Simons Island, GA.

College Café will meet again next Sunday, November 26 for lunch following the service. If you are interested in serving an upcoming meal to the students, please contact Scott Stuart.

Multiply meets in the chapel this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for the last class of the semester. This fall Scott, Fred, and Joe will lead us in the study of the Book of Hebrews. As Hebrews makes many references to the Old Testament,

our time together will include looking into both the Old and New Testaments.

Gordon Hoover Sunday School: Meet in the Church Library at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. All are welcome! Email Perry Foote at palbertfoote@gmail.com with questions.

November 19 1 Corinthians 2 Don McGarity
November 26 1 Corinthians 3 Richard Palmer

MEET HUMAN NEEDS

Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence: Marilyn Ast, Melda Bassett, Cecilia Caton, Jayne Fox, Kay Koons, Elizabeth Miller, and Marjorie Pedrick. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Matt Gowdy, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez and Paul Samala. Essential worker: Bill Clark.

Online contributions can be made through your computer or smartphone. 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.

Sweetie Pie pick-up is Today in Gordon Hall following worship. A limited number of extra pies are available as well. Contact Carol Israel at ceisrael@cox.net to schedule any final pick-ups on Monday or Tuesday.

Prayer Meeting on Tuesday, November 21 at 6 p.m. in the church parlor.

Downtown Art Festival Parking: Please plan to park in the church lot today starting at 12:30 p.m. to support our Montreat Youth. \$5 cash donation or \$5.50 donation by credit card or PushPay.

Support our Veterans: In November, the Congregational Care committee is collecting twin & full sheet sets and blankets for Volunteers of America. VOA houses 12 veterans in 2 residences and administers the VA community program, which provides per diem housing payments for 30 veterans in Gainesville. The items can be dropped off in Gordon Hall.


SERMON SERIES: BEING A DISCIPLE

October 29 - Matthew 16:21-28 - Follow Me

November 5 - Luke 8:26-39 - Don't Follow Me

November 12 - Acts 11:1-18 - All Are Welcome

November 19 - Mark 2:13-17 - The Sick

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THE HOLIDAY AND ADVENT SEASON

Join us for the Church-wide Advent Workshop on Sunday, December 3 at 9:30 a.m. in Gordon Hall. Everyone is invited to start off the season with us! Enjoy pancakes and a great selection of crafts ranging from some of our old favorites to brand new projects. RSVP to Bev Vloedman (dvloedman@aol.com) or Evelyn Lewis (citytr122@gmail.com) by Wednesday, November 29 to guarantee all activities for your family. Tear off this slip and place it in the offering plate.

I, _____, plan to attend the Advent Workshop on December 3 and would like to reserve _____ gingerbread churches & breakfasts.

Christmas Poinsettias: During the Christmas season our worship spaces will be decorated with poinsettias. The flowers are \$15 each and may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one. Fill out the form below and place in the offering plate or mail it to the church office by Sunday, December 3. The poinsettias will be available to take home after the Christmas Eve service.

Poinsettias Given by: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Decorating the Sanctuary: Advent is just around the corner. We are looking for volunteers to beautify our church and worship space. Everyone is welcome! Gather tomorrow, Monday, November 20 at 9 a.m. Please call Marilyn Foote at 352-318-5975 to be added to the volunteer list.

Holiday Food Drive: Gainesville Community Ministries is distributing Thanksgiving baskets to more than 80 clients this year. You can help provide a special meal by donating side dish items. Food donations are accepted in the cart in Gordon Hall. Thank you for your support!

Hope for the Holidays: Help Local Missions share the joy of the season with Family Promise families, including the mother and daughters we hosted this fall. Look for the Hope for the Holidays Christmas tree in Gordon Hall. Please choose one or more ornaments (tags), purchase and wrap the items, SECURELY ATTACH THE TAG, and return by Saturday, December 16. You may also donate gift cards or write a check to the church to help purchase gifts (write *Hope for the Holidays* in the memo). We appreciate everyone bringing the love of God to these families who are working with Family Promise to find the security of a stable home.

Buy Your Own Church Yard Sign to spread the word about *The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols* and *Christmas Eve Worship*. Sign options are displayed in Gordon Hall today, in print below, or visit www.1stpcmusic.org/signs. If you live in a neighborhood with an HOA, please check your neighborhood rules regarding signs. A \$45 one-time purchase pays for the printing costs. The church will provide a sticker to change the date every November so that you can use the sign every year. Choose from one of the two designs: "Organ" or "Choir" (the back is the same for each design). Signs must be paid for before the order is placed. Contact the church office to pay by credit card at (352) 378-1527 or visit www.1stpcmusic.org/signs to pay with Pushpay. Please mark your design choice in the memo line.

1) "Organ"



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Back

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2) "Choir"



Front



Back

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