

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | FEBRUARY 12, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

The 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. 53....."Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithThe Heidelberg Catechism No. 54

Q. What do you believe concerning *the holy catholic church*?

A. *I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.*

~ God Calls His People to Confess Their Sins ~

The Call to ConfessionMatthew 22:37-40

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Confession of Sin

Merciful God, we humble ourselves in Your presence, confessing our unworthiness and sinfulness in Your sight. We have broken Your holy law. We have not sought first Your kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things, and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves, or done to others as we would have them do to us. Most gracious God, our heavenly Father, who has given Your Son, Jesus Christ, to save Your people from their sins; forgive us, we beseech You; cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us: through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.


The Silent Confession

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty


Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Ps. 103:1, 2



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 • dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

The Assurance of Pardon.....John 3:16-17

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 138“With All My Heart My Thanks”

1. ¹With all my heart my thanks I bring, be - fore the gods your
2. ³The day I called, you an - swered me; my soul with in - ward
3. ⁶Al - though the LORD is throned on high, he guards the meek with
4. With out - stretched hand you will op - pose the wrath and an - ger

praise I sing; ²I bow be - fore your ho - ly place and
strength in - creased. ⁴All kings of earth shall thank the LORD, for
watch - ful eye; but those of proud and haugh - ty heart, he
of my foes. ⁸Your right hand saves. The LORD ful - fills for

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 path - way be, you will re - vive and strength - en me.
 ev - er stands, for - sake not the works done by your hands.

The Encouragement to Give & Offering.....1 Corinthians 16:1-2

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.

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I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. Ps. 34:1

1. Through all the chang-ing scenes of life, in trou-ble and in joy,
2. Of his de-liv-'rance I will boast, till all that are dis-tressed
3. O mag-ni-fy the Lord with me, with me ex-alt his name;
4. The hosts of God en-camp a-round the dwell-ings of the just;

the prais-es of my God shall still my heart and tongue em-ploy.
from my ex-am-ple com-fort take, and charm their griefs to rest.
when in dis-tress to him I called, he to my res-cue came.
de-liv-'rance he af-fords to all who on his suc-cor trust.

5. O make but trial of his love;
experience will decide
how blest they are, and only they,
who in his truth confide.

6. Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear:
make you his service your delight;
he'll make your wants his care.

1. The Cause of Division (v. 19)
 - a. What has Jesus finished?
 - b. Where has Jesus spoken most clearly about His identity and calling?
 - c. Why is it fitting the *words* of Jesus are the source of division?
2. The Opposition (v. 20): Why is their claim of demon possession and insanity a keen way to discredit the Lord?
3. Moderates (v. 21)
 - a. How does their reasoning parallel what was stated in Chapter 9?
 - b. What is the trouble with being a moderate?
4. **Application**
 - a. ***The Danger of Moderation.***
 - b. ***The Cause of Division in the Church.***

B. Suspense (vv. 22-24)

1. Feast of Dedication (vv. 22-23): What is this feast?
 - a. Winter
 - b. Walking (v. 23)
2. Jesus Accosted (v. 24)
 - a. What is meant by the words translated *gathered around* in the ESV?
 - b. What are the various ways to understand the demand of the Jews?

c. Why do they feign deep interest and desire before Christ?

1) Has Jesus been unclear?

2) **Application: *Slander is unavoidable.***

3) Why has Jesus been very careful about how He reveals Himself?

d. What do the Jews really want from Jesus?

e. **Application: *Come to Christ.***

III. Conclusion

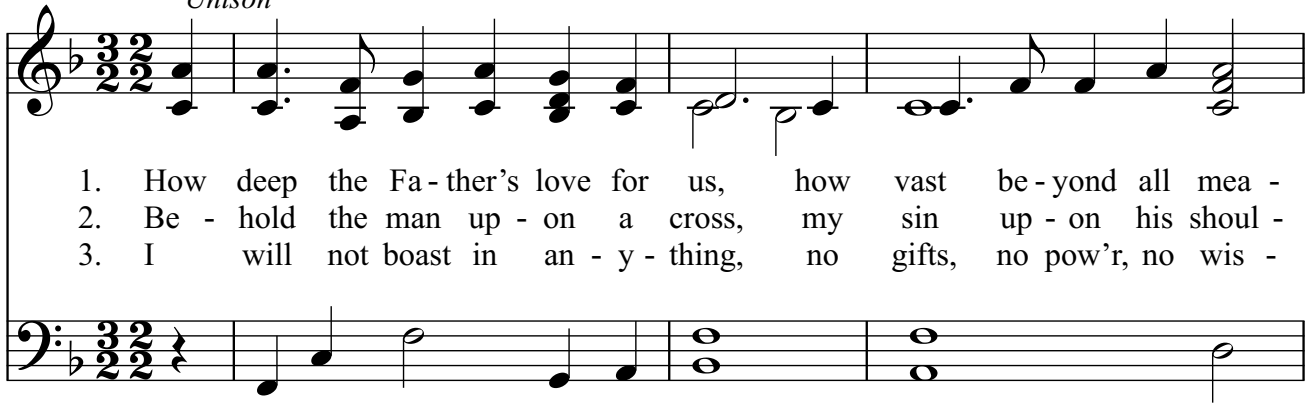
*The Hymn of Commitment“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” (page 6)

*The Benediction

*The Response No. 735“The Gloria Patri”

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

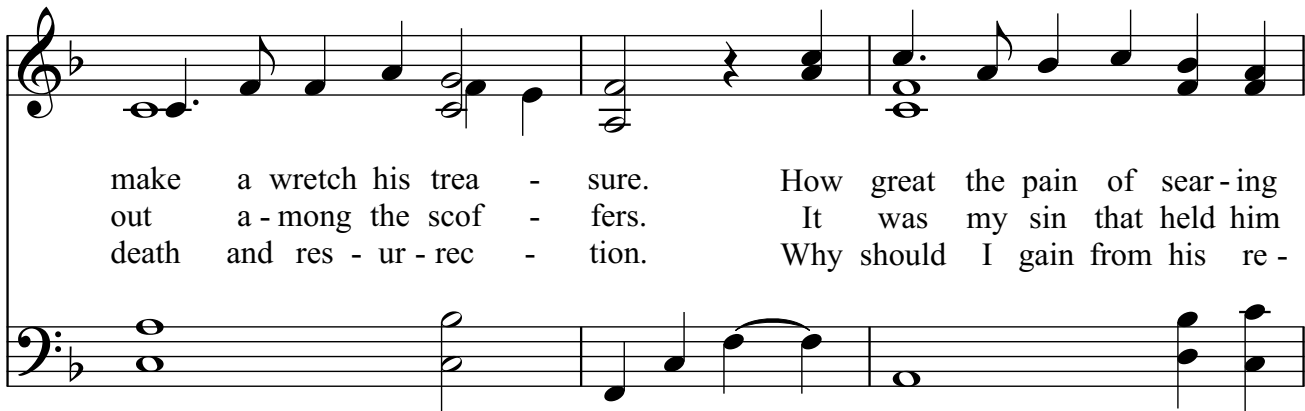
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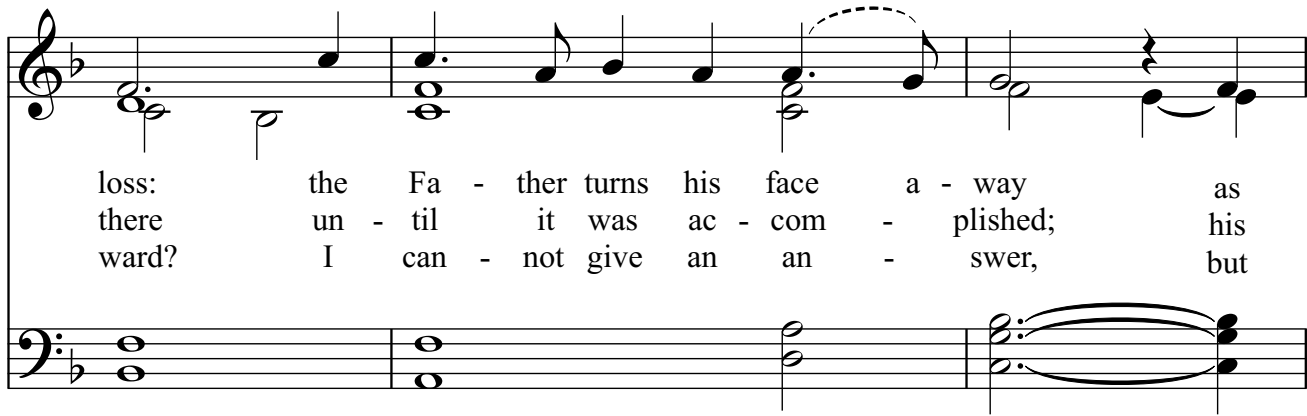
1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea -
2. Be - hold the man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his shoul -
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis -



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



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 -



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.

Moms Encouragement Lunch

Thursday, February 23 | 12:30-2:30 p.m. | Childcare Provided

Come relax and talk. To adults. Without being asked to fix a snack.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2023

- + Additional help is needed on Wednesday night to work with the elementary age children. Please let one of the elders know if you are interested in serving.
- + The youth and adult Sunday school classes are combined this quarter. Next quarter the youth will be studying *The Identity and Attributes of God* taught by Joseph Wilson.
- + There is hope to expand the outreach at the Crossing Apartments to a weekly ministry. If you are willing or interested in serving in this way, please talk with Joseph Wilson or David Bosshardt.
- + The 40th Anniversary Committee will meet after morning worship today.
- + Evening worship resumes at 6:00 p.m. tonight. Next week the Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship.
- + The Women in the Church will meet at 6:30 and Session will meet at 6:55 p.m. on February 22. There will be no classes for the elementary-aged children that week.

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 plates, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give.

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
6:45-7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
6:30-7:30 p.m. *KidsQuest* (children)
6:45-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies
The Gospel of John
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 Feb. 12: L. Bible & A. Wilson

Feb. 19: E. Tuggle & C. Rowan