FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | FEBRUARY 19, 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

*The Hymn of Praise No. 2....."O Worship the King"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithThe Heidelberg Catechism No. 54

Q. What do you understand by the communion of saints?

A. First, that believers one and all, as members of Christ the Lord, have communion with him and share in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

 \sim God Calls His People to Confess Their Sins \sim

The Call to Confession John 10:2–4

He who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.

The Confession of Sin

Most merciful God you sent your Son, the Good Shepherd, to call his sheep by name and to lead them out that we might follow him. We confess we have not followed our Shepherd as we ought nor listened faithfully to his voice. We are covered in shame because of our iniquity. We have come to you as your people come, and have sat before you as your people sit, and have heard what you have said, when our hearts at the same time have been wandering after vain things. We have known the right thing to do, but have failed to do it. You have reared and brought us up as children, but we have rebelled against you. We are slow of heart to understand and believe. Lord, we repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand to which you

have exalted your Son Jesus Christ to give repentance and forgiveness of

The Silent Confession

sins.

O Worship the King

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. Ps. 145:10



- Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
- 6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

The Mighty God, the Lord

The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth. Ps. 50:1



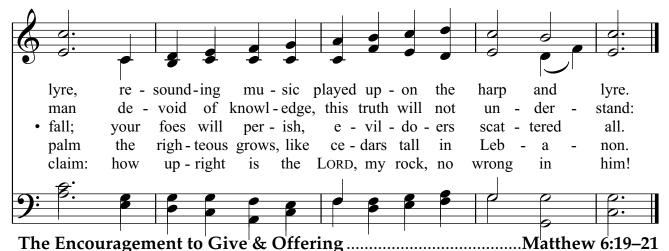
~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

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~ We Respond to God's Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~ *The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 92....."It's Good to Thank the LORD"





Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The Great Prayer Elder Nathan Bowers

*The Psalm No. TH316"The Mighty God, the Lord" (Psalm 50)

"You're Not My Sheep" | John 10:25-26 | Light in the Darkness No. 54 | Page 843

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

II. Main Argument

- A. Deaf (v. 25a)
 - 1. Surrounded
 - a. Why do they demand a statement?
 - b. What is preventing the Jews from recognizing Jesus as Messiah?
 - 2. Which Statement: To whom did Jesus clearly reveal His identity?

- a. How did Jesus slowly unveil His identity?
- b. What statement might He have in view particularly?
- c. Why are the Jews deaf to Jesus' words?
- 3. Application: Jesus must be received as He is offered in the Scripture.
 - a. How does cultural expectation prevent people from receiving Jesus?
 - b. Why are (attempted) visual depictions of Jesus always unhelpful?

B. Blind (v. 25b)

- 1. The Signs: How do these bear witness to Him?
 - a. What was the question John the Baptizer sent His disciples to ask?
 - b. How did Jesus answer the Baptizer's disciples?
- 2. The Testimony: How do the quality and quantity of the works make the uniqueness of Jesus clear?
- 3. Application: The obstinance of unbelief.

C. Explanation (v. 26)

- 1. No Surprise: Why is their opposition to Jesus, in a sense, unsurprising?
 - 2. <u>Faith Required</u>: What did the Jews presume was the fundamental mark of belonging to the people of God?
 - a. Why is faith required to hear Jesus?

- b. From where does faith come?
- 3. Sovereignty
 - a. What were Christ's sheep by nature?
 - b. What is the significance of Christ calling His people His sheep?
 - c. How does the Lord's Table demonstrate Christ's provision for HIs sheep?

III. Conclusion

*The Hymn of Commitment......"The Power of the Cross" (page 6) *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.

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5:55 p.m. Supper; please bring a dish to share

6:30 p.m. Women in the Church Meeting (Library)

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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.

+ Additional members are 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 currently. In March the youth will be studying <i>The Identity and Attributes of God</i> taught by Joseph Wilson.
+In March, Elder Nathan Bowers will teach the adult Sunday school class on the prince of Puritans, John Owen and the Christian life. Elder Bowers will survey Owen's writings and teachings to make application for our own pilgrimage.
+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 Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship tonight.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2023

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.

+Wednesday night activities are modified on Feb. 22 for WIC and Session meetings. Please see pages 5 or 7 of the bulletin for the revised midweek schedule.

+ Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the plates, mailing a check to

the church office, or online: FPFO.org/g	<u>ive</u> .	
Announcements for the bulletin are due weekly on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. and must be emailed to office@fpfo.org. FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule		
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time	9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting	
9:45 a.m. Sunday School	5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper	
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship	6:45-7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting	
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast	6:30-7:30 p.m. KidsQuest (children)	
WAAK 94.7 FM	6:45-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies	

Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.		
(excluding First Sundays)	On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays there is outreach at the Crossings Apts.	
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	The Gospel of John	

Feb. 26: M.L. Wilson & M. Tuggle

Nursery Feb. 19: E. Tuggle & C. Rowan