

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | APRIL 10, 2022 | 10:45 A.M.

The Announcements

Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:



*The Call to Worship

~ God's People Respond to His Call to Worship ~

*The Hymn of Praise No. 235 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of Faith The Westminster Larger Catechism No. 55

Q. How does Christ make intercession?

A. *Christ makes intercession, by His appearing in our nature continually before the Father in heaven, in the merit of His obedience and sacrifice on earth, declaring His will to have it applied to all believers; answering all accusations against them, and procuring for them quiet of conscience, notwithstanding daily failings, access with boldness to the throne of grace, and acceptance of their persons and services.*

~ God Calls His People to Confess Their Sins ~

The Call to Confession Revelation 4:6-8

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

The Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His holy name.

The Silent Confession

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

The Assurance of PardonHebrews 4:14–16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 147“O Praise the LORD”

The Encouragement to Give.....Deuteronomy 15:10

You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him, because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake.

The Great PrayerElder David Bosshardt

*The Psalm No. 8“LORD, Our Lord, How Excellent is Your Name” (Page 4)

1. ¹O praise the LORD, for it is good to sing un - to our God;
2. ⁴Our Lord is great, he calls by name and counts the stars of night;
3. O praise the LORD in joy - ful song, with harp your thanks pro - claim.

⁷'tis right and pleas - ant for his saints to tell his praise a - broad.
⁵his wis - dom is un - search - a - ble, and won - drous is his might.
⁸The heav'ns a - bove he fills with clouds and show'rs the earth with rain.

²The LORD builds up Je - ru - sa - lem; he seeks her ex - iled sons.
⁶The LORD lifts up the poor and meek, he brings the wick - ed low.
The LORD a - dorns the hills with grass; ⁹and gives the beasts their food.

³He binds their wounds and gen - tly heals the bro - ken - heart - ed ones.
⁷Sing praise to him and give him thanks; and all his good - ness show.
He hears the ra - vens when they cry, and fills their young with good.

1. ¹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how ex - cel - lent your name!
 2. ³When I view the skies a - bove, the works your fin - gers made,
 3. ⁵You have made him next to God, with hon - or, glo - ry crowned.

You a - bove the heav'ns have set the glo - ry of your fame.
 when I see the moon and stars, which you in or - der laid,
⁶Him you placed a - bove your works; be - neath him all is found:

²From the mouths of in - fants young you the power of praise com - pose
⁴what is man, so frail and weak, that you should re - mem - ber him?
⁷ox - en, sheep, and beasts that graze, ⁸birds, and fish the o - ceans claim.

in the face of en - e - mies to stop a - veng - ing foes.
 What can be the son of man that you should care for him?
⁹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth how ex - cel - lent your name!

SERMON NOTES

I. **Introduction:** Why does Jesus provoke conflict here? Isn't that unchristlike?

II. **Main Argument**

A. Emptiness (vv. 1-5)

1. The Feast (v. 1): Why is Jesus at the feast?

a. Which feast?

b. **Application:** *Jesus Christ was fully subject to the Law and obeyed it entirely in the place of His people.*

2. The Pool (vv. 2-3): What is the location?

a. What do the five roofs represent?

b. What was the superstition regarding this pool?

3. The Man (v. 5)

a. What's his problem?

b. **Application:** *Sin brings horrible misery, all misery.*

B. Wholeness (vv. 6-9)

1. The Question (v. 6): Why does Jesus ask this man a question?

2. The Complaint (v. 7)
 - a. What does the man expect from Jesus?
 - b. **Application: *This man's focus is very similar to our own frequent disposition.***
 - c. How should we understand the man's reply to Jesus?
3. The command (vv. 8-9)
 - a. What does taking up his bed demonstrate?
 - b. **Application: *Jesus' power is not contingent on His creatures.***
4. **Application: *The Greatness of Christ's Compassion.***

C. Blindness (vv. 10-15)

1. The Sabbath (v. 10): Why does Jesus heal on this day?
 - a. For what do "the Jews" rebuke the man?
 - b. How had the rabbis added to the Law of God?
 - c. **Application: *Legalism blinds us to God's grace and blinds us to God's word.***
2. The Dodge (vv. 11-13): How does this section display the man's character?
3. The Saviour (v. 14): Where does Jesus find the man?

a. How is this healing remarkable?

b. Is Jesus implying the man’s malady was the result of his sin? Is this always the case?

c. **Application:** *Every sickness and sorrow warns us to spiritual watchfulness*

4. **Application:** *The Grace of Christ Toward Sinners*

III. Conclusion

~ God’s People Respond in Praise ~

*The Hymn of Commitment No. 498“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”

~ God Blesses His People ~

*The Benediction

*The Response No. 735“The Gloria Patri”

It’s back: the annual FPFO

Brunch

April 17 | 9:30 a.m. | Bring a dish to share

APRIL 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

March. Expenses:	\$50,636.02	Monthly Budget:	\$23,816
March Income:	\$66,430.25	2022 Budget:	\$285,793
Feb. Net Income:	\$15,794.23		
2022 Expenses:	\$78,963.01		
2022 Income:	\$99,011.93		
2022 Net Income:	\$21,543.47		

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 10, 2022

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MASK POLICY:

The service is live-streamed to the adult Sunday school room for those observing masking and distancing protocols. The last pew is also reserved for those wearing masks.

- + The Women in the Church (WIC) meeting is 6:50 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13. The men will be teaching and supervising the young children's classes April 13.
- + The livestream to the Sunday school room will be discontinued after morning worship on April 17. All are encouraged to join the congregation for worship.
- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship on April 17.
- + As the deacons prepare for the renovation of the auditorium, church members are welcome to sign up to claim a pew to take home. Each household may take one pew for free; additional pews may be purchased for \$25. There is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall. All pews must be picked up April 21-23.
- + Beginning April 24, worship will take place in the Fellowship Hall while the auditorium is under renovation. The youth Sunday school class will meet in the library during that time. Access to the "old building" will be limited until summer.

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 box at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: [FPFO.org/give](https://www.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

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
6:30-7:30 p.m. *KidsQuest* (children)
6:50-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies
The Kings of Israel (adults)*
The Life of David (young men)
Galatians (young women)

*Livestream available at www.fpfo.org/live

Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.

Nursery April 10: Mary Lou Wilson

Nursery April 17: Rachel Wilson