# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JULY 17, 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. 4....."All Praise to God"

\*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith ......The Heidelberg Catechism No. 45

Q45. How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

A45. First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.

The Call to Confession.......Proverbs 28:13

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

#### 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 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 there is no health in us.

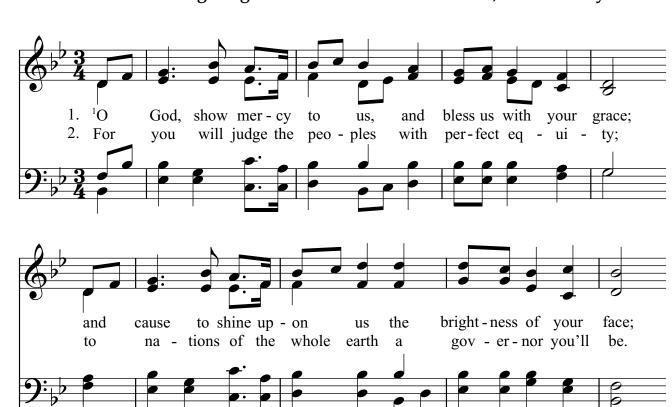
But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God who confess their faults and restore us according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Your holy name

The Silent Confession

#### ~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

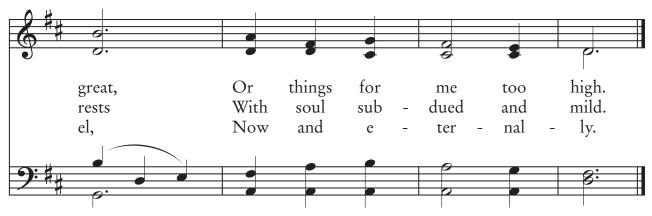
The Assurance of Pardon ......Psalm 103:8–12

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.





The Offertory The Great Prayer ......Pastor Ryan Biese \*The Psalm No. 131 ....."My Heart Is Not Exalted" (pages 4-5) 1. <sup>1</sup> My ed, heart is alt not ex  $2.^{2} I$ and calmed have posed my com Yes, like child who has been a LORD, Nor haugh - ty is my eye. soul, I'm like lit tle child; a calmed weaned, Mysoul is in me. do deal not in mat ters Now weaned, he his moth on er <sup>3</sup> Hope the in LORD, Is ra



#### **SERMON NOTES**

I. Introduction: Why does Jesus' popularity seem to plummet?

#### II. Main Argument

### A. Problem Perceived (vv. 1-2)

- 1. <u>Itinerant in Galilee (v. 1)</u>
  - a. Approximately how much time has elapsed after this...?
  - b. About how many disciples likely remain?
- 2. Feast of Booths (v. 2)
  - a. What was the purpose of the Feast of Booths?
  - b. Why should we not be troubled by Jesus missing part of the Feast?
- 3. **Recapitulation & Application**: Jesus' brothers are deeply troubled by the Saviour's decline in popularity, but He continues to minister.

  a. Hostility to Jesus is not tempered by time.
  - b. Murder is the response of sinful men.

#### B. Solution Proposed (vv. 3-4)

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- a. What do his brothers propose to resolve Jesus' ministry troubles?
  - b. What is the first wrong assumption regarding their solution?
  - c. Application: Miracles do not create faith.
  - d. Application: Popularity, success are not indicators of God's favor.
- 2. Problem with Jesus
- a. What is the second wrong assumption the brothers made?
  - b. What is the first irony about their words?
  - c. What is the second irony about their words?
  - d. **Recapitulation & Application**: Jesus' brothers offer solutions to the problems of Jesus' ministry based on false assumptions.
    - 1) <u>Application</u>: Beware presumption regarding providence
    - 2) <u>Application</u>: God reveals Himself in unlikely places.

## C. Real Problem (vv. 5-6)

- 1. Unbelief (v. 5)
- a. What source of heartache does John record here?
  - b. <u>Application</u>: Familial relation, covenant membership is no guarantee of salvation or lasting spiritual benefit.
  - c. Even though they don't believe Jesus, why do they encourage Him to do miracles?
  - d. Application: Take heart even if your family rejects Christ for now.

- 2. Insignificance (v. 6) a. How does Jesus' cryptic reply allude to His brothers' insignificance?

  - b. Is He saying they are outside of God's sovereign rule?
  - c. Application: Outside of Christ is only utter insignificance.

## D. Real Solution (vv. 7-9)

1. Hatred of the World (v. 7) a. Why does the world not hate these men?

d. Why does the world hate Christ?

- b. Application: Beware the praise of the world, the city, the culture.
- c. Application: Do not seek the hatred of the world, the city, etc.
- 2. The Saviour's time (vv. 8-9): Why does the Saviour decline to go to the feast when they invite him?

e. Application: The wicked hates to have his sin rebuked or exposed.

#### III. Conclusion

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 642 ....."Be Thou My Vision" ~ God Blesses His People ~

\*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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 17, 2022 + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of Evening Worship tonight.

- + This year for **Operation Christmas Child** (OCC) we are collecting different items
- each month to place in the boxes at the end of the year. This month please bring items such as small flashlights, collapsible water bottles or small plastic cups, forks/spoons, small plastic food containers that will fit in a shoe box, and batteries. Additionally soap and soap holders are still needed.
- + The government has decided to enforce a city ordinance prohibiting street parking outside the church. *Unless the parking lot is full, anyone parked on Harker Road is subject to ticketing*. This mainly will impact weekday church parking.
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  + Women in the Church Meeting is August 3 at 6:50 p.m. The men will watch the children while the women are in their meeting.

# Baby Shower in Honour of Rachel Wilson July 23, 2022 | 10:30 a.m. | Brunch | Beth Rowan's home 1737 Kensington Road | Chickamauga | RSVP 563-580-4225

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule	
The Lord's Day	Wednesday
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time	9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting
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9:45 a.m. Sunday School 5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting

(excluding First Sundays)

5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting 6:30-7:30 p.m. KidsQuest (children)

WAAK 94.7 FM
6:50-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
The Kings of Israel (adults)

The Life of David (young men) Galatians (young women)

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

Nursery July 17: Sarah Wilson

Nursery July 24: Julia Porter