

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | OCTOBER 23, 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

*The Hymn of Praise No. TH53.....“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of FaithThe Heidelberg Catechism No. 36

Q. How does the holy conception and birth of Christ benefit you?

A *He is our mediator and, in God's sight, he covers with his innocence and perfect holiness my sin, in which I was conceived.*

The Law of GodExodus 20:1–3

And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. “You shall have no other gods before me.

The Confession of Sin

Almighty God to Whom all hearts are open and from Whom no secrets are hid. You brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ in triumph over the grave and in a mighty display of Your grace; we confess that we are unworthy of your grace.

We too quickly doubt your promises, and are too easily turned from You, our living Lord. The world has enticed us, blinding us to Christ's presence, dulling us to the power of his Word. We forget the good news of his true victory over sin and death, and have used our own forgetfulness as an excuse to sin. But now we come to you, utterly helpless and entirely dependent on your steadfast love, and ask for your forgiveness.

In your mercy, cleanse us. In your love, heal us. And by your grace, restore to us the joy of Your salvation.

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.

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

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Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. Is. 53:4

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
 2. Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?
 3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
 4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
 5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,

that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
 A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
 • the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
 thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
 I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy

rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 • tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
 an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

The Assurance of Pardon.....Galatians 3:13

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”

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

***The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 248.....“Ah, Holy Jesus”**

The Encouragement to GiveDeuteronomy 16:16-17

They shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you.

The Great Prayer

***The Psalm No. 95“Come to the LORD, and Sing for Joy” (Psalm 95:1-7)**



1. ¹ Come to the LORD, and sing for joy; Let
2. ² In - to His pres - ence let us come With
3. ³ The LORD’s a might - y God and King; A -
4. ⁵ To Him the spa - cious sea be - longs, Made



us our voic - es raise. In joy - ful shouts, let
praise and thank - ful voice. Let us then sing to
bove all gods He is. ⁴The depths of earth are
by His own com - mand; And by the work - ing



us the Rock Of our sal - va - tion praise.
 Him with psalms; With shouts let us re - joice.
 in His hand; The moun - tain peaks are His.
 of His hands He formed the earth's dry land.

5. ⁶ O come and let us worship Him;
 Let us with one accord
 In presence of our Maker kneel,
 And bow before the LORD;

6. ⁷ Because He truly is our God,
 And we His chosen sheep,
 The people of His pasture land,
 Whom His own hand will keep.

The Sermon.....Ryan F. Biese

““The Son’s Prerogative” | John 8:31-38 | Page 841

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

II. Main Argument

A. True Discipleship (vv. 31-33)

1. Disciples? (v. 31a)
2. Perseverance (v. 31b)
 - a. How is true discipleship defined?

b. **Application:** *The Word of God is essential to a life of discipleship.*

3. Freedom (vv. 32-33): Why is the freedom Jesus offers offensive?

B. True Freedom (vv. 34-36)

1. Ultimate Bondage (v. 34)
 - a. What does the preface “Truly I say to you” indicate?

1) To what sort of freedom does Jesus refer?

2) What does Jesus mean by *practices sin*?

b. **Application:** *The failure of the social gospel, political gospel.*

c. **Application:** *The chains of sin.*

d. **Application:** *The freedom of the gospel, the good news of Christ.*

2. **Perception versus Reality (v. 35)**

a. What is Jesus implying here?

b. What security is Jesus offering?

3. **Deliverance by Grace (v. 36)**

a. Why must they (we) see their (our) true bondage?

b. What is genuine freedom? How is that different from how folks conceive of *freedom* in our own time?

c. How is a person made free?

III. Conclusion

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. Ps. 23:1

Chords: F, C7, F, Gm, F, C, F, 7

1. The Lord's my Shep - herd, I'll not want; he
 2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain; and
 3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet
 4. My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed in
 5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall

Chords: C, G, G7, C, F, C7, F, C7, F

makes me down to lie in pas - tures green; he
 me to walk doth make with - in the paths of
 will I fear none ill, for thou art with me;
 pres - ence of my foes; my head thou dost with
 sure - ly fol - low me: and in God's house for -

Chords: Gm7, C, C7, F, 7, Gm, F, C, F, 7

lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
 oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 ev - er - more my dwell - ing place shall be.

Psalm 23
 Francis Rous, William Mure, and others
 Scottish Psalter, 1650
 Tune from the Scottish Psalter by permission of Oxford University Press.

CRIMOND C.M.
 Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871
 Arr. by T. C. L. Pritchard, 1929; alt.

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

*The Psalm of Commitment No. TH87 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

~ 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.*



FPFO Supported Missionary

REV. ANDY YOUNG

Church Planter | Oxford, United Kingdom

Evening Worship

October 30 | 6:00 PM

PIE & MINISTRY UPDATE TO FOLLOW THE WORSHIP SERVICE!

OCTOBER 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

September Income:	\$17,527.58	Monthly Budget:	\$23,816
Sept. Expense:	\$25,292.37	2022 Budget:	\$285,793
September Net:	(7,764.79)		
2022 Income:	\$241,784.72		
2022 Expenses:	\$241,086.29		
2022 Net Income:	\$698.43		

Women's Activities & Events

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



OUR JOY MATTERS TO JESUS

A 9-week study of Philippians to discover a joy through every circumstance of life

2nd & 4th Saturdays | 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Contact Hannah Rowan for more details:

336-706-7371

Ladies Prayer Meeting

Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. | Fellowship Hall

Young Ladies Study

Wednesdays at 6:50 p.m. | Church Library

The Gospel of John

MONTHLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

GAG NIGHT: "Games & Gab"

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 @ 7 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

PLEASE CONTACT DIANA JOHNSON FOR MORE DETAILS.

Congregation Game Night

December 2, 2022

6:00 p.m. @ FPFO

Open to all; sponsored by FPFO Youth.
Bring your own games or join with others!

The Return of the...

Reformation Party

Saturday, October 29

There are sign-up sheets available in the fellowship hall
for those interested in serving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 23, 2022

- + This month we are collecting toys & accessories for for Operation Christmas Child: consider items such as socks, flip flops, hats, very small purses or tote bags, sunglasses, and deflated soccer balls & small pumps.
- + The ladies of the church are invited to a tea on December 17 sponsored by the Women in the Church Leadership Committee. More details will be forthcoming.
- + Additional help is greatly needed in the nursery during morning worship. If you are willing to serve in this way, please let Mary Lou Wilson know. This is a ministry opportunity open to adults and teens.
- + Donations of candy for the Reformation Party are being accepted on the dessert table in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

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.

MOMS ENCOURAGEMENT LUNCH

Thursday, November 3 | 12:15-2:30 p.m. | Childcare Provided
Come relax and talk. To adults. Without being asked to fix a snack.

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
6:30 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)

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

Oct. 23: H. Rowan & M. Tuggle

Oct. 30: E. Wilson & A. Wilson