

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | NOVEMBER 13, 2022 | 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 Psalm of Praise No. TH311 ..... "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" (Psalm 72)

### \*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith.....The Heidelberg Catechism Nos. 38-39

Q. Why did he suffer "under Pontius Pilate" as judge?

A *So that he, though innocent, might be condemned by an earthly judge, and so free us from the severe judgment of God that was to fall on us.*

Q. Is it significant that he was "crucified" instead of dying some other way?

A. *Yes. By this death I am convinced that he shouldered the curse which lay on me, since death by crucifixion was cursed by God.*

The Law of God.....Exodus 20:8-11

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

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## Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*In his days the righteous will flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.*  
Ps. 72:7

1. Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2. He comes with com - fort speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong;  
3. He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
4. O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest,

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth;  
from age to age more glo - rious, all - bless - ing and all - blessed;

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,  
to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
and righ - teous - ness, in foun - tains, from hill to val - ley flow.  
his name shall stand for - ev - er— that name to us is Love.

## **The Confession of Sin**

*O Most Exalted and Righteous Father in heaven, we confess to you we are sinners and rightly deserve to be cast out of your presence forever and punished for our willing sinfulness. We confess we have not kept the Sabbath day holy or remembered it as we ought; we have not remembered your glory in creation and redemption on this day. We have despised the blessing which your Son, the Lord of the Sabbath, declared was created for us and our benefit.*

*We have failed to rest the whole day, we have neglected to give rest to other people on the Sabbath, but made them work for us unnecessarily. We have neither called the Lord's day a delight nor prepared our hearts and homes rightly for the day.*

*We have looked for excuses to busy ourselves and our minds with unnecessary and un-urgent things and thoughts on the Sabbath rather than simply finding rest in Christ and enjoying the freedom you give us to worship you and serve one another on this day.*

*Forgive us of our sinfulness, pardon our foolishness, and show mercy to us. Look not upon our righteousness, but upon your beloved Son who has offered acceptable worship in our place and rose from the dead for us on the First Day of the week so that we may enter your rest.*

## **The Silent Confession**

**~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~**

**The Assurance of Pardon .....Hebrews 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. 92 .....“It's Good to Thank the Lord” (Page 3)**

**The Encouragement to Give.....1 Corinthians 16:2**

On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper.

**The Great Prayer.....Elder Nathan Bowers**

**\*The Psalm No. 18.....“From Heaven He Took Hold of Me” (Page 4)**

1. <sup>1</sup>It's good to thank the LORD, to praise your name, Most High; <sup>2</sup>to  
 2. <sup>4</sup>Your deeds, LORD, made me glad; I'll sing of what you've done. How  
 3. <sup>7</sup>All sin - ners grow like grass, the wick - ed mul - ti - ply; and  
 4. <sup>10</sup>You've poured oil on my head, like o - xen I'm made strong. <sup>11</sup>I've  
 5. <sup>13</sup>Those plant - ed by the LORD will in God's courts be seen; <sup>14</sup>when

tell your love at dawn, your faith - ful - ness by night <sup>3</sup>with ten - stringed  
 great your works, O LORD, <sup>5</sup>how deep your thoughts each one. <sup>6</sup>A sense - less  
 • yet they'll be de - stroyed. <sup>8</sup>But, LORD, you stay on high. <sup>9</sup>Your foes, LORD,  
 seen and heard the fate of those who've done me wrong. <sup>12</sup>Like thriv - ing  
 old they'll still bear fruit and flour - ish fresh and green, <sup>15</sup>and this pro -

lyre, re - sound - ing mu - sic played up - on the harp and lyre.  
 man de - void of knowl - edge, this truth will not un - der - stand:  
 • fall; your foes will per - ish, e - vil - do - ers scat - tered all.  
 palm the righ - teous grows, like ce - dars tall in Leb - a - non.  
 claim: how up - right is the LORD, my rock, no wrong in him!

11. <sup>16</sup> From heav - en He took hold of me  
12. <sup>18</sup> They came at me in my dis - tress;  
13. <sup>27</sup> For You a suf - f'ring peo - ple save,

And lift - ed me as wa - ters rose;  
The LORD was my se - cu - ri - ty.  
But bring the proud eyes from their height.

<sup>17</sup> From those who hat - ed me, He saved,  
<sup>19</sup> To lib - er - ty He brought me forth,  
<sup>28</sup> O LORD, my God, You light my lamp.

From all my o - ver - pow - 'ring foes.  
Be - cause He took de - light in me.  
He turns my dark - ness in - to light.

SERMON NOTES

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**I. Introduction**

**A. Old Testament Themes:** How has Jesus revealed He is the Messiah?

**B. How does Jesus vindicate His claims in Chapter 9?**

**II. Main Argument**

**A. Presumption (vv. 1-2)**

1. The Man Whom Jesus Notices (v. 1): What does granting sight to the blind reveal about Jesus?

2. The Question the Disciples Ask (v. 2)  
a. Why is this a reasonable question?

b. **Application: *Caution in explaining, assigning causes to suffering.***

**B. Purpose**

1. The Works of God (v. 3)  
a. Premise Rejected

b. **Application: *God only sometimes explains our suffering.***

2. Daytime (v. 4): How does the Saviour involve His followers in His works?  
How is He unique?

3. Daylight (v. 5)  
a. What does Jesus come to do as the light in this season of ministry?

b. **Application: *There is no light or stability outside of Christ.***

**C. Power (vv. 6-7)**

**1. The Initiative of the Saviour (v. 6)**

**a. How does the Saviour show His kindness here?**

**b. What is the significance of smearing mud in the man’s face?**

**2. The Faith of the Man (v. 7)**

**a. How is this command absurd and incredible?**

**b. How does this man demonstrate saving faith?**

**c. What is the significance of the pool?**

**III. Conclusion**

~ God’s People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 501.....“Just As I Am, without One Plea”

~ 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.*

**NOVEMBER 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT**

October Income:	\$13,879.03	Monthly Budget:	\$23,816
October Expense:	\$15,084.42	2022 Budget:	\$285,793
October Net:	(\$1,205.39)		
2022 Income:	\$255,664.75		
2022 Expenses:	\$256,274.71		
2022 Net Income:	(\$510.96)		

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## Just As I Am, without One Plea

*Whoever comes to me I will never drive away. John 6:37*

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy  
 2. Just as I am, and wait - ing not to rid my  
 3. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y a  
 4. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,

blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me  
 soul of one dark blot, to thee, whose blood can  
 con - flict, man - y a doubt, fight - ings and fears with -  
 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in

come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
 wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
 because thy promise I believe,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6. Just as I am, thy love unknown  
 has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
 now, to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.



# 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

Fortnightly on 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



# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 13, 2022

- + If you are willing to serve in the nursery, please let Mary Lou Wilson know. This is a ministry opportunity open to adults and teens. Additional workers are greatly needed as the nursery is growing.
- + The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary planning committee will meet Nov. 20 in the library immediately following morning worship.

## 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](mailto: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](https://FPFO.org/give).

# Give Thanks

Register for Supper:



*Fellowship, Thanksgiving & Praise*  
*Tuesday, Nov. 22 | 6:00 p.m.*

Please register for supper: [www.fpfo.org/thx](http://www.fpfo.org/thx)

## 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)  
*Gospel of John* (young women)

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

Nov. 13: M. L. Wilson & C. Rowan

Nov. 20: Sarah Wilson & M. Tuggle