# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | AUGUST 1, 2021 | 10:45 A.M.

#### The Announcements

\*The Call to Worship

\*The Hymn of Praise No. TH94....."How Firm a Foundation"

\*The Prayer of Adoration

The Introduction of New Members: Jeff, Beth, James, Cate, and David Rowan

The Biblical Basis of Church Membership

Vows of Membership

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Prayer

The Benediction

\*The Confession of Faith ...... Heidelberg Catechism No. 69

- Q. How does holy baptism remind and assure you that Christ's one sacrifice on the cross benefits you personally?
  - A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it promised that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul's impurity, that is, all my sins.

Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the LORD, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are utterly estranged. Why will you still be struck down? Why will you continue to rebel? The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

#### The Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father: We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

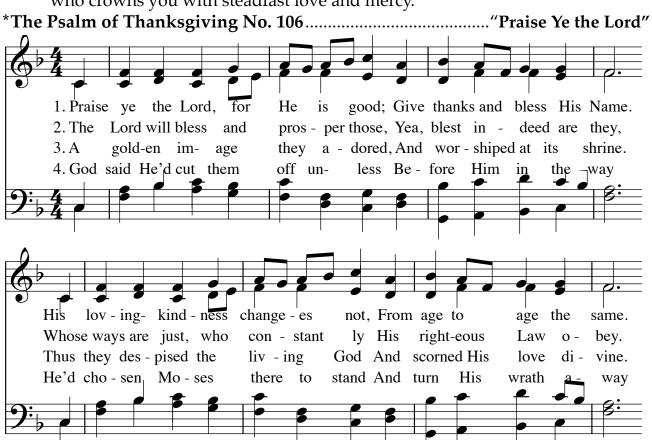
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us.

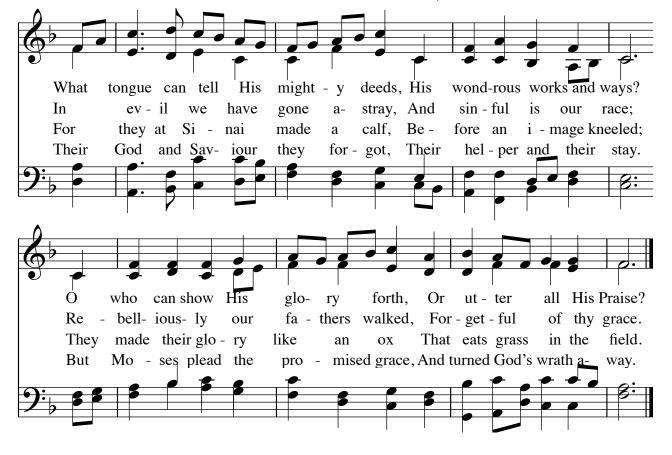
O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who have turned from their sins according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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.

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Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.





The Encouragement to Give......Psalm 103:15–17

As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children.

#### ~ God's People Call to Him for Help ~

#### The Great Prayer

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



~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

\*The Psalm No. 95....."Come to the LORD, and Sing for Joy"



Let us with one accord
In presence of our Maker kneel,
And bow before the LORD;

And we His chosen sheep,
The people of His pasture land,
Whom His own hand will keep.

II. Main Argument A. The People of Moses 1. Their Representative (v. 7) a. What is God's command to Moses? b. Why does God describe Israel as belonging to Moses: your people? 2. The Charges (vv. 8-9): What has Israel done? 3. The Judgment (v. 10) a. What does Israel deserve? b. How does God hint at his intention to show mercy? B. The God of Moses (vv. 11-14) 1. What does Moses not do? 2. God's Election (v. 11) 3. God's Reputation (v. 12) 4. Gods' Covenant (v. 13) 5. God's Mercy (v. 14) \*The Hymn of Approach No. 705 ....."I Know Whom I Have Believed"

I. Introduction

### The Communion of Christ and His People at His Table

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*The Psalm of Praise No. 117....."Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations"

### The Benediction

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### BAPTISM AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Baptism is one of two sacraments given by Christ to His Church in the New Testament. The word *baptism* simply means *washing*. The Lord Jesus commanded His disciples to go into all the nations, making disciples, teaching them to obey all His commands, and baptizing them in the name of the Triune God.

Baptism is a sign and seal of the Covenant of Grace; it both *signifies* or portrays the benefits of the covenant as well as *confirms* the genuineness of the grace offered and promised in the Covenant: cleansing from sin as well as union with Christ in His death and resurrection for His people through His Holy Spirit.

It is the *grace* signified in baptism that saves, not the *act* of being baptized. As such, baptism does not cause a person to be born again, infuse a person with grace, or wash away original sin.

Baptism publicly declares and marks a person out as belonging to Christ's covenant people and distinguishes him or her from the world. For all people, baptism is a call to embrace by faith the promises offered in the sacrament. Baptism is the beginning of Christian discipleship and should be improved throughout one's life by killing our sinful desires and living to righteousness and obedience more and more through faith in Christ.

Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself. Acts 2:38-39

# Psalm 117A



## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 1, 2021

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MASK POLICY:

The back two rows of the middle section are reserved for people wearing masks (covering mouth and nose) for the entirety of the worship service as well as immediately before and after.

All other seats are open to all regardless of masking or other preferences. +Sunday school resumes in September; if you are willing to help with teaching

- Sunday school please contact the church office.
- + If you are willing to serve in the nursery, please contact Mary Lou Wilson.
- + Evening worship resumes next Lord's Day at 6:00 p.m.
- +Congregational Meeting: Aug. 29 after morning worship to vote on Session's
- recommendation of Bill Henshall to the Diaconate of First Presbyterian Church.

# THE LORD'S TABLE AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone is proclaimed. The Lord's Supper is a covenant meal in which Christ is present to the faith of believers and spiritually nourishes the faith of believers. In this meal, Christ - through His officers - serves His people who have come to Him in repentance and faith and who, by grace, are living lives of new obedience. The supper testifies that Christ welcomes sinners, serves sinners, and gave His body to be broken and

The Lord's Table is open to baptized believers in the Lord Jesus Christ who are faithful and active members in good standing of a Protestant church in which the gospel of

blood poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Christ ordained His supper with bread and wine. As such, red wine is offered. For those who for health reasons cannot consume alcohol, white grape juice is also available. If you

have any questions or concerns, please speak with an elder.

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule	
The Lord's Day	Wednesday
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time	5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper
<del>9:45 a.m. Sunday School*</del>	6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship*	6:30-7:30 p.m. KidsQuest (children)

6:50-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies 5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast **WAAK 94.7 FM** The Kings of Israel (adults)\*

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Life of David (young men) Is God Great & Good (young women) (except First Sundays)

\*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 August 1: Mary Lou Wilson Nursery August 8: Sarah Wilson