# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JULY 3, 2022 | 10:45 A.M.

#### \*The Call to Worship

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

#### \*The Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom Come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

\*The Confession of Faith.....The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic\* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\**catholic* refers to the universal church; this is to say, the Church is more than FPFO or the PCA. This does not refer to the Roman Catholic religion.

#### ~ God Calls Us to Confess Our Sins ~

#### The Call to Confession .....Psalm 24:3–5

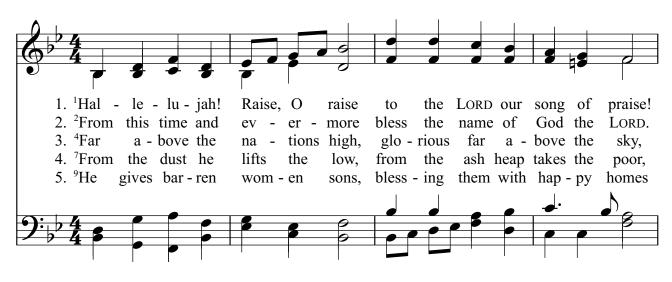
Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

#### The Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father: we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature - which is prone to evil and slothful in good - and all our many sins and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. But, O Lord, have mercy upon us. We are ashamed and sorry for all the ways we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O, most holy and loving Father, help us, we beseech You to live in Your light and walk in Your ways according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Assurance of Pardon......Galatians 4:4–5

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.



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Praise, O ser - vants <sup>3</sup> From the sun - rise <sup>5</sup> who is like the <sup>8</sup> makes them with the filled with joy - ful	princ - es stand,	may the <sup>6</sup> gaz - ing with the	name of down on princ - es	God the LORD. God be blest. earth and sky? of the land. Praise the LORD!		
<b>The Encouragement to Giv</b>	e			Luke 6:38		
Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."						
The Offering						
The Great PrayerPastor Ryan Biese						
~ God Speaks to Us in His Word ~						
*The Psalm No. TH439						
The Reading of Holy ScriptureJohn 6:60-65						
The Sermon"Offended"						
SERMON NOTES						

#### I. Introduction

A. What has Jesus made known about Himself in the synagogue?

#### B. What are we anticipating from the congregation?

#### II. Main Argument

#### A. Offense (vv. 60-61)

1. Popularity: How many disciples did Jesus have?

a. In what region did Jesus give His Sermon on the Mount?

- b. Why is the Sermon on the Mount revered even to this day?
- 2. <u>Hard Saying</u>: What particular aspect(s) of Jesus' sermon do/es the congregation find objectionable?
  - a. What are the four reasons the crowd is offended by Jesus?
  - b. What's the real problem with the crowd?

#### 3. Application

a. Beware calling things "hard to understand" simply because you don't like them.

#### b. When His word is difficult to understand, go closer to Him.

#### **B.** Power (vv. 62-63)

- 1. Greater Offense (v. 62)
  - a. Why is this sentence difficult to understand?
  - b. How will the Messiah ascend to where He was before?
  - c. Why is the cross a scandal to the natural mind?

## d. <u>Application</u>: *The Messiah came to deal with sin, to put away sin, to open a way of mercy for sinners*.

- 2. <u>The Spirit Gives Life (v. 63)</u>
  - a. What is the contrast between the Spirit and Flesh here?

#### b. <u>Application</u>: *The Essence of Christianity is found in Christ's Word and Spirit.*

- 3. The Word Gives Life (v. 63)
  - a. What are Jesus' spiritual credentials?
  - b. If the Jews rightly understood His words, how would they see Jesus?

#### C. Warning (vv. 64-65)

- 1. <u>Unbelief (v. 64)</u>
  - a. What sort of interest did the followers of Jesus have?
  - b. What objection is the Saviour anticipating?
  - c. <u>Application</u>: *Christ knows your heart*.
- 2. <u>Comfort (v. 65)</u>
  - a. Why should the disciples not be discouraged when many reject the Lord Jesus Christ?
  - b. How may the disciples of Christ be empowered to endure the attacks of unbelievers?

~ God's People Respond to His Word ~

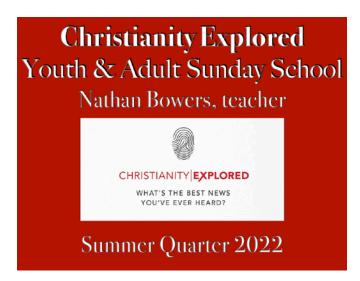
#### The Communion of Christ and His People at His Table

- The Words of Institution
- The Prayer of Consecration
- The Distribution of the Elements
- The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The benediction	
*The Response No. 733	"The Doxology"

Summer Evangelism Emphasis Upcoming Summer Evangelism Seminars after the Fellowship Meals:

July 3: Ron Lowe, *Every Valley Leadership Academy* August 7: Jim Sutherland, *Ministry in Public Housing* 



JULY 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT					
June Income :	\$37,254.62	Monthly Budget: \$23,816			
June Expenses:	<u>\$30,581.98</u>	2022 Budget: \$285,793			
June Net Income:	\$6,672.64	0			
2022 Income:	\$163,359.61				
2022 Expenses:	\$140,184.27				
2022 Net Income:	\$23,175.34				



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 3, 2022

- + Evening Worship will resume next Lord's Day at 6:00 p.m. The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of Evening Worship on July 17.
- + After worship today is the usual fellowship lunch. Following the lunch, Ron Lowe of *Every Valley Leadership Academy* will be presenting on his ministry.
- + On Monday, July 4 Susan and Mike Wilson invite everyone to their home for a party starting at 5:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your own chair(s). The Wilsons' address: 8590 Highway 27 North, Rock Spring, GA 30739.

#### 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: <u>FPFO.org/give</u>

### Baby Shower Honouríng Rachel Wílson July 23, 2022 | 10:30 a.m. | Beth Rowan's home 1737 Kensington Road | Chickamauga

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule				
The Lord's Day	Wednesday			
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time	9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting			
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			
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast	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)			
(excluding First Sundays)	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 3: Rachel WilsonNursery July 10: Mary Lou Wilson				