

# First Presbyterian Church

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Evening Worship in Word & Sacrament

The Lord's Day | January 16, 2022 | 6 o'clock

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\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. TH94 .....“How Firm a Foundation”

\*THE INVOCATION

\*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.*

\*THE LAW OF GOD .....Galatians 5:16–21

*But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Heavenly Father, Who gathers Your children to Yourself, we confess that we have not walked in love, as You have loved us by giving Your Son. Instead, we find ourselves walking down the paths that You have told us not to walk; and we find ourselves drawn to the very things from which we were saved.*

*We acknowledge that our hearts have entertained lust, uncleanness, and all manner of covetousness. Our lips have uttered that which is filthy, foolish and coarse, and we have not lived before You with hearts of thanksgiving.*

*In Your great mercy, forgive us for the thoughts of our hearts and the actions of our lives that where we have sinned against Your word, and renew a right spirit within us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ.*

## THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON .....1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins.

## THE HYMN SING

\*THE PSALM OF PREPARATION NO. 124 .....“Unless the LORD” (pp. 6-7)

THE SCRIPTURE READING.....Romans 5:3-5

THE SERMON .....“Present Rejoicing”

I. **Introduction**: What are the benefits of Justification by Faith the Apostle Paul dwells on in Romans 5-8?

## II. **Main Argument**

### A. Rejoicing in Affliction (vv. 3-4)

#### 1. Joy in Suffering (v. 3a)

a. What is the particular aspect of the “glory of God” in view in v. 2?

- b. What does the parallel structure about this rejoicing show us about the present cause of a Christian's rejoicing?
  - c. **Application:** *Suffering, when joined with saving faith, is not a source of grumbling or destruction, but joy.*
2. Wisdom Regarding Suffering (v. 3b)
    - a. What does suffering do?
    - b. **Application:** *The Christian's outlook an attitude in suffering is completely different from that of the worldling.*
3. Products of Suffering in Faith (vv. 3c-4) What other New Testament writers make this point?
    - a. Endurance
    - b. Character
    - c. Hope
    - d. **Application:** *All the sorrows we endure contribute to our salvation and final good.*

## **B. Resting in God's Love (v. 5)**

1. No Shame
  - a. What were the saints enduring as Paul wrote these truths?

b. How did the Old Covenant Church share in this same experience?

2. God's Love

a. How can the *love of God* be interpreted here?

b. What two images convey God's love?

3. Spirit Given

**III. Conclusion:** How can you know God loves you?

\*THE PSALM OF APPROACH NO. TH79 ..... "My God, My God, O Why" (Psalm 22)

WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST BY FAITH

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

*\*please hold the elements until all have been served so we may partake together\**

*gluten free bread is available in the cups | white grape juice is available for those who cannot consume any alcohol*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*THE PSALM OF THANKSGIVING NO. 117 ..... "Praise Jehovah All Ye Nations (p. 8)

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE RESPONSE..... "The Doxology"

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!

Descant

3. <sup>6</sup>Blessed be the LORD who snatched us from their teeth!

1. <sup>1</sup>“Un - less the LORD had been there on our side!”  
2. “And when a - gainst us they with an - ger burned,  
3. <sup>6</sup>Blessed be the LORD who snatched us from their teeth!

<sup>7</sup> For, as a bird would from its trap - per flee,

Let Is - ra - el now tes - ti - fy to this:  
<sup>4</sup> Swept by fierce wa - ters, we would all have drowned;  
<sup>7</sup> For, as a bird would from its trap - per flee,

Our snare is torn and from it we are free!

<sup>2</sup> “Un - less the LORD had been there on our side  
Swift streams en - gulf - ing, tor - rents pull - ing down,  
Our snare is torn and from it we are free!

8 Yes, in the LORD's name is our on - ly aid,

When cru - el men a - gainst us rose to strive,  
 5 Flood - wa - ters rag - ing with their might - y waves  
 8 Yes, in the LORD's name is our on - ly aid,

By whom the heav - ens and the earth were made.

3 They would in - deed have swal - lowed us a - live."  
 Would then have dragged us down as to the grave."  
 By whom the heav - ens and the earth were made.

# SUFFERING SERVANT

Isaiah 52-53

with Rev. David Strain

<b>February 26, 2022</b>	<b>February 27, 2022</b>
12:00 PM Lunch* <i>Ministry in the PCA</i>	9:45 AM <i>The Servant Sacrificed</i>
3:00 PM <i>The Servant Succeeds</i>	10:45 AM <i>The Servant Stricken</i>
4:05 PM <i>The Servant Scorned</i>	6:00 PM <i>The Servant Satisfied</i>

\*Registration required for lunch; please visit [www.fpfo.org/conference](http://www.fpfo.org/conference)

<sup>1</sup>Praise Je - ho - vah, all ye na - tions, all ye peo - ple praise pro - claim;

<sup>2</sup>for his grace and lov - ing - kind - ness O sing prais - es to his name.

For the great - ness of his mer - cy con - stant praise to him ac - cord;

ev - er - more his truth en - dur - eth; hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord!