

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | JANUARY 9, 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

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

*The Hymn of Praise No. 30 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism No. 39

Q. Is it significant that the Lord Jesus Christ 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.*

~ God Calls His People to Confess their Sins ~

The Law of God Exodus 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

~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

The Assurance of PardonGalatians 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 Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 136“Thank the LORD for Good Is He”

1. ¹ Thank the LORD for good is He,
2. ⁵ He with skill has made the skies,
3. ¹⁰ E - gypt's first - born He did smite
4. ¹⁵ He drowned Phar - aoh and his men

For His stead - fast love en - dures.

² To the God of gods, thanks be,
⁶ From the seas made land a - rise, For His stead - fast
¹¹⁻¹² Brought out Is - r'el by His might,
¹⁶ Led His own through des - erts then,

love en - dures. ³ Prais - es give the King of kings,
⁷ He has made great shin - ing lights,
¹³ He the Red Sea split in two,
¹⁷ Kings of splen - dor then He slew,

For His stead - fast love en - dures. ⁴ He a - lone does
⁸⁻⁹ Sun rules day; moon,
¹⁴ He made Is - r'el
¹⁸ Might - y kings He

won - drous things,
 stars rule night,
 pass on through, For His stead - fast love en - dures.
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5. He remembered us when low,
 For His steadfast love endures.
 Gave deliv'rance from our foe,
 For His steadfast love endures.

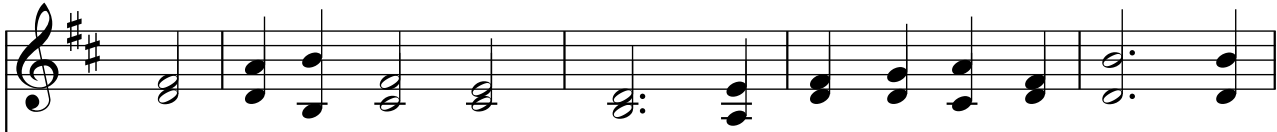
He gives food to all that live,
 For His steadfast love endures.
 Thanks to God of heaven give,
 For His steadfast love endures.

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.....Elder Wil Davis

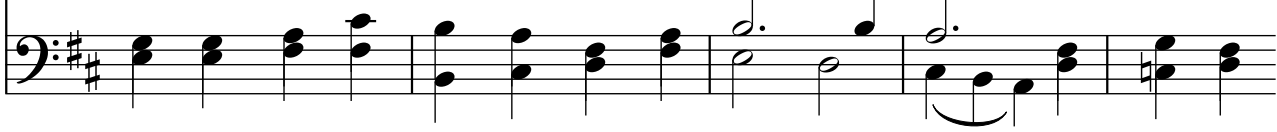
***The Psalm No. 143“Hear Now My Prayer”**



1. ¹Hear now my prayer, O LORD; my cry for mer - cy heed. In
2. ³The foe has hound - ed me and crushed me to the ground, in
3. ⁵I call to mind, O LORD, the days and years long gone; I
4. ⁷My spir - it fails, O LORD; come quick - ly to my side. Hide



righ - teous - ness and truth draw near to meet my need. ²And do not
dark - ness made me dwell like those in death long bound. ⁴And so my
pon - der all your works and what your hands have done. ⁶To you in
not from me your face, lest to the pit I slide. ⁸Let morn - ing





judge me in your sight, for in your presence none is right.
spir - it is a - fraid; my heart with - in me is dis - mayed.
prayer I stretch my hands; for you I thirst, like ar - id lands.
bring your love a - new, for I have put my trust in you.

5. To you I lift my soul; show me the way to go.
I hide myself in you; ⁹LORD, save me from my foe.
¹⁰Teach me, my God, to do your will;
may your good Spirit lead me still.
6. ¹¹O LORD, for your name's sake, revive my waning life;
in righteousness redeem my soul from painful strife.
¹²Destroy my foes, in love for me,
because I serve you faithfully.

The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese

“Troublers” | Titus 1:10-16 | Page 938 | Elder Nominations No. 2

SERMON NOTES

I. **Introduction**

A. Why does Christianity begin with knowledge rather than morality?

B. How are the elders to deal with false teachers?

II. **Main Argument**

A. Identifying the Opposition (v. 10)

1. What is the first task of the new elders?:

2. Christianity is Comprehensive: why are slight departures gravely problematic?

3. Clues of Heresy: what does false religion create?

B. Confronting the Opposition (v. 11)

1. Manner: how is Titus to deal with these opponents?

2. Reason: why are they to be dealt with in this way?

C. Purpose of Confrontation (vv. 12-13)

1. Quoting from Epimenides: does Paul utilize an ethnic slur?

2. Know the Culture: why must Titus be aware of what Cretans are generally like?

3. Sharp Rebuke: why must he be sharp with them?

D. Faith and Falsehood Contrasted (vv. 14-15)

1. Devotion to Silly things

a. Jewish Myths

b. Commands of Men

2. Spiritual Purity: why is true religion not concerned about handling stuff and mere outward contamination?

E. Ironic Fruit of Heresy (vv. 15-16)

1. Defiled Mind and Conscience:

a. What did the false teachers promise would yield purity?

b. What indicates a defiled conscience and mind?

2. Triple Condemnation

a. Is Paul just being “judgey”

1) What is Jesus teaching in Matthew 7?

2) How do the false teachers reveal their doctrine is false?

b. How does Paul describe the opponents with whom Titus must contend?

III. Conclusion

~ God’s People Respond in Praise ~

*The Hymn of Commitment No. 498“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”

~ God Blesses His People ~

The Benediction

*The Response“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.*

JANUARY 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

Dec. Expenses:	\$26,725.56	Dec. Budget:	\$23,196.88
<u>Dec. Income:</u>	<u>\$20,004.15</u>		
Dec. Net Income:	(\$6,721.41)		
2021 Expenses:	\$234,732.32	YTD Budget:	\$278,362.56
<u>2021 Income:</u>	<u>\$270,760.43</u>		
2021 Net Income:	\$36,028.11		

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 9, 2022

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 while seated or standing there. The service is also live-streamed to the adult Sunday school room for those observing greater masking and distancing protocols.

- + Nominations for men to serve in the office of Ruling Elder will be opened during the month of January. Please be praying for the Lord to raise up additional men to serve on the Session and for Him to reveal to us clearly those whom He has called.
- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship on January 16, 2022. Be preparing to commune with Christ and His people.
- + GAG Night / Women's Fellowship Night Tuesday at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

Save the Date:

February 26-27 | Rev. David Strain
FPFO Winter Conference: "Seeking Revival"

Keep up with the church in her worship and work:

- + 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: FPFO.org/give.

Congregational Forum

After Morning Worship | Fellowship Hall

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

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)

*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 Jan 9: Emma Wilson

Nursery Jan. 16: Mary Lou Wilson