

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | OCTOBER 31, 2021 | 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. 92.....“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

## \*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith.....Westminster Larger Catechism

Q42. Why was our mediator called Christ?

A42. *Our mediator was called Christ, because He was anointed with the Holy Ghost above measure; and so set apart, and fully furnished with all authority and ability, to execute the offices of prophet, priest, and king of His church, in the estate both of His humiliation and exaltation.*

Q44. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A44. *Christ executes the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to Himself, and giving them officers, laws, and censures, by which He visibly governs them; in bestowing saving grace upon His elect, rewarding their obedience, and correcting them for their sins, preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings, restraining and overcoming all their enemies, and powerfully ordering all things for His own glory and their good: and also in taking vengeance on the rest, who know not God, and obey not the gospel.*

~ God Calls His People to Confess their Sins ~

The Call to Confession.....Ezekiel 18:30–31

“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die?

## The Confession of Sin

*Holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, our sinful thoughts, our sinful words, and our sinful deeds. Our sicknesses and diseases derive from Adam's sin and our own.*

*We often forget your love and your commandments; we often grieve and quench your Spirit.*

*But O Father, we cry to you for mercy, for saving faith, for cleansing faith, and for healing faith for our souls.*

*Help us to glory in the promises of your gospel, that we may live in freedom from condemnation. Help us to walk according to your precepts, that we may live in your light and love. All this we ask on the basis of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior.*

## The Silent Confession

~ God Assures His People of His Covenant Mercies ~

### The Assurance of Pardon .....Ezekiel 36:25–26

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

### \*The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 162.....“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

~ God’s People Respond to His Mercies with Offerings ~

### The Encouragement to Give .....2 Corinthians 8:9

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ: though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

### The Great Prayer .....Elder Wil Davis

### \*The Psalm No. 73 .....“In Sweet Communion, Lord”

1. In sweet com - mu - nion, Lord, with thee I  
2. Thy coun - sel through my earth - ly way shall  
3. Whom have I, Lord, in heav'n but thee, to  
4. Though flesh and heart should faint and fail, the  
5. To live a - part from God is death, 'tis

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It features a treble clef and a bass clef, both in 4/4 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with five numbered lines of text corresponding to the notes above them.

con - stant - ly a - bide; my hand thou hold - est  
 guide me and con - trol, and then to glo - ry  
 • whom my thoughts as - pire? And, hav - ing thee, on  
 Lord will ev - er be the strength and por - tion  
 good his face to seek; my ref - uge is the

in thine own to keep me near thy side.  
 af - ter - ward thou wilt re - ceive my soul.  
 • earth is naught that I can yet de - sire.  
 of my heart, my God e - ter - nal - ly.  
 liv - ing God, his praise I long to speak.

~ God Speaks to His People in the Scripture ~

The Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Biese

“The Word Incarnate” | John 1:14 | Page 833 | Light in the Darkness No. 4

SERMON NOTES

- I. **Introduction:** What has John done so far in the prologue to his Gospel?
  
- II. **Main Argument**
  - A. **Incarnation**
    1. **The Word:** How often does John speak about *the Word*; is that significant?
  
    2. **The Word Became Flesh**
      - a. What is significant about the way John describes the incarnation?

b. What connotations does *flesh* have in Paul's writings that it lacks when John uses the word? Is this a contradiction?

c. How does John emphasize the True Humanity and True Divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ?

d. How can Jesus be truly human yet without a sin nature?

### 3. Application

a. ***Why must we be cautious when thinking or speaking about Christ's incarnation?***

b. ***Why was the incarnation necessary?***

c. **What are some other benefits of Christ's incarnation to us?**

1) *Example*

2) *Sympathy*

3) *Dignity*

## **B. Dwelling**

### 1. Tabernacle

a. What is a tabernacle?

b. **Application:** How does Jesus "pitching His tent" among us demonstrate His commitment to our salvation?

2. Jewish Readers: What purpose(s) did the tabernacle serve?

## **C. Glory**

1. Allusion to Sinai: How does the reference to *glory* recall Israel's experience at Sinai?

2. Grace and Truth: How do these two words indicate a fuller revelation of God is here than what Moses observed?
  
3. **Application**: What is the *glory paradox*?

### **III. Conclusion**

~ God’s People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Hymn of Commitment ..... “The Power of the Cross”

~ God Blesses His People ~

#### **The Benediction**

\*The Response ..... “The Gloria Patri” (pp. 6-7)

*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.*

## The Power of the Cross



- 1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark-est day, Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
- 2. Oh, to see the pain writ-ten on Your face, Bear - ing the awe-some weight of sin;
- 3. Now the day-light flees, now the ground be-neath Quakes as its Mak - er bows His head.
- 4. Oh, to see my name writ-ten in the wounds, For through Your suf-f'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, Torn and beat-en then Nailed to a cross of wood.  
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, Ev - 'ry e - vil deed Crown - ing Your blood-stained brow.  
 Cur - tain torn in two, Dead are raised to life, "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.  
 Death is crushed to death, Life is mine to live, Won through Your self - less love.



1.-3. This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came sin for us; Took the  
 4. This the pow'r of the cross, Son of God, slain for us. What a



blame, bore the wrath, We stand for - giv - en at the cross.  
 love! What a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

**OCTOBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Sept. Expenses:	\$36,199.85	Sept. Budget:	\$23,196.88
<u>Sept. Income:</u>	<u>\$16,559.37</u>		
Sept. Net Income:	(\$19,640.48)		
2021 Expenses:	\$183,282.87	YTD Budget:	\$208,771.92
<u>2021 Income:</u>	<u>\$202,033.88</u>		
2021 Net Income:	\$18,751.01		

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 31, 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 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.

- + The Women's Fellowship known as "GAG Night" will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday at the church. Light refreshments will be served.

## The Lord's Supper & Fellowship Meal

Next Lord's Day we will come to the Lord's Table as part of morning worship and after worship all are invited to share in a meal.

There will be no evening worship next Lord's Day.

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

## Daylight Savings Ends November 7

- Set your clocks back one hour Saturday before you head off to bed.
- Your computer and/or smart phone, they will adjust automatically.
- Next week is a great week to start attending Sunday school!

## 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](http://www.fpfo.org/live)

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

Nursery Oct. 31: Rachel Wilson

Nursery Nov. 7: Sarah Wilson