

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | AUGUST 28, 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 Psalm of Praise No. TH64 "God, the Lord, a King Remaineth" (Psalm 93)

*The Prayer of Adoration

*The Confession of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism No. 31

Q21. Why is he called *Christ*, meaning *anointed*?

A21. *Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually intercedes for us before the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the deliverance he has won for us.*

The Call to Confession.....Hosea 6:1

Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.

The Confession of Sin

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto thee that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression all our life. We do not fully believe thy Word nor follow thy holy commandments. Remember thy goodness, we beseech thee, and for thy Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which is great.

The Silent Confession

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

The Assurance of Pardon.....Ephesians 1:7

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

~ We Respond to God’s Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~

***The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 372“Praise Waits For Thee” (Psalm 65)**

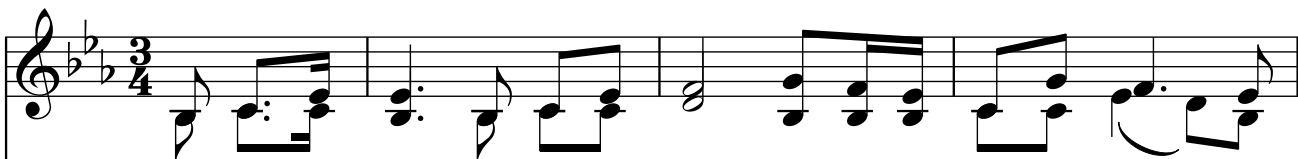
The Encouragement to Give.....Psalm 96:7–9

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

The Offertory

The Great Prayer

***The Hymn.....“In Christ Alone”**



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone! Who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the pow'r of Christ in

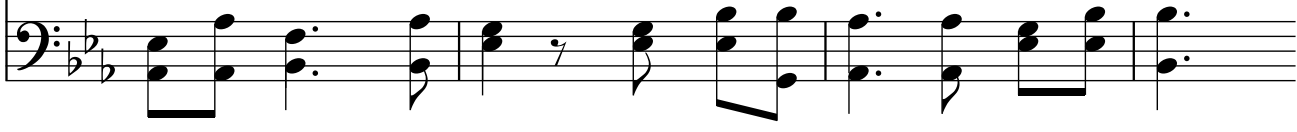


song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the
babe! This gift of love and righ - teous - ness, scorned by the
slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the
me. From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com -





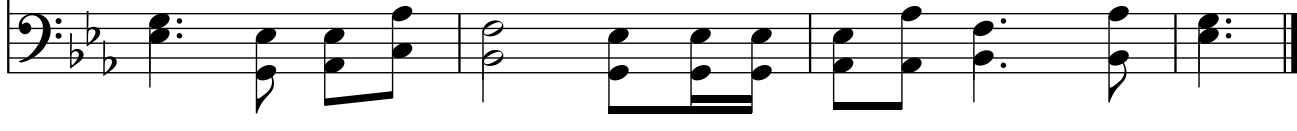
fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 ones he came to save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died,
 grave he rose a - gain! And as he stands in vic - to - ry,
 mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,



when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for -
 the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry
 sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am
 can ev - er pluck me from his hand; 'til he re -



ter, my all in all— here in the love of Christ I stand.
 sin on him was laid— here in the death of Christ I live.
 his and he is mine— bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 turns or calls me home— here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.



SERMON NOTES

I. **Introduction**: What is irony and how does John use it?

II. **Main Argument**

A. Division (vv. 40-44)

1. Conjecture About Jesus (vv. 40-42)

a. Jesus the Prophet (v. 40)

b. Jesus the Christ (v. 41)

c. Scriptural Objection (vv. 41-42)

1) What is the irony here?

2) **Application**: *People will twist the Scripture to suit themselves.*

3) **Application**: *Lack of concern causes many to reject Christ.*

2. Schism

a. What is a *schism*?

b. **Application**: *The church is divided over who Jesus is; the division is not the fault of true doctrine, but those who refuse to submit to it.*

3. Opposition to Jesus (v. 44)

B. Deception (vv. 45-49)

1. Mission Failure (vv. 45-46): Why did the police fail in their mission?

a. From what people are the temple police drawn?

b. **Application**: *The words of Christ were and remain powerful.*

2. Police Rebuked (vv. 47-48)
 - a. How do the Pharisees rebuke the police?

 - b. Why do the Pharisees suggest it is absurd to believe in Jesus?

 - c. How are the rebukes of the Pharisees rich with irony?

3. People Condemned (v. 49)
 - a. On what basis do the Pharisees condemn the crowd?

 - b. **Application: Beware the arrogance of authority and the pride of office.**

C. Drama (vv. 50-52)

1. Small Objection (vv. 50-51)
 - a. Nicodemus Identified: What two things does John tell us about him?

 - b. Point of Procedure: What is the very minor point Nicodemus brings up? How is this a weak and mild defense of Jesus?

 - c. **Application: The Holy Spirit works in various ways.**

2. Fury and Rage (v. 52)
 - a. Why are the rest of the Jews so angry about this question?

 - b. Of what do the Jews accuse Nicodemus?

 - c. What do the Jews tell Nicodemus to do?

III. Conclusion

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

*The Hymn of Commitment No. 691“It Is Well with My Soul”

~ God Blesses His People ~

*The Benediction

*The Response No. 735“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.*

**GOOD &
ANGRY**

Is that possible?

Join a discussion with Elder Wil Davis in
the Adult Sunday school class.

Fall Quarter Adult Sunday School
Beginning September 4th

Redeeming Anger, Irritation,
Complaining, and Bitterness
by David Powlison

Sunday School for the months of
September, October, and November
features a study of this important
book led by Elder Davis.

Rebels Rescued

*How does God take sinful people and
make them able to seek Him?*

Join a discussion with Joe Wilson in
the Youth Sunday School class.
~ Beginning September 4th ~

AUGUST 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

July Income :	\$16,048.70	Monthly Budget: \$23,816
<u>July Expenses:</u>	<u>\$14,593.13</u>	2022 Budget: \$285,793
July Net Income:	\$1,455.57	
2022 Income:	\$179,408.31	
<u>2022 Expenses:</u>	<u>\$151,465.97</u>	
2022 Net Income:	\$27,942.34	

Women's Activities & Events

MONTHLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

GAG NIGHT: "Girls & Gab"

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 20 @ 7 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

PLEASE CONTACT DIANA JOHNSON FOR MORE DETAILS.

Ladies Prayer Meeting

Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. | Fellowship Hall

Young Ladies Study

Wednesdays at 6:50 p.m. | Church Library
The Gospel of John

Women in the Church

Women's Planning Council | October 5 | 6:50 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 28, 2022

- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of Morning Worship next Lord's Day. There will also be a fellowship lunch follow the worship service.
- + This month we are collecting school supply items for Operation Christmas Child: markers, spiral notebooks(1/2 size), pencils and sharpeners, pens, colored pencils, rulers, dry water color paints (no liquid), glue sticks, small pencil cases, crayons.
- + The Session is looking for a volunteer to serve as Sunday School Superintendent who is willing to help oversee the scheduling and staffing of Sunday school classes at FPFO. If interested, please contact Nathan Bowers, Clerk of Session.

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 plates, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give

Mother & Baby Room

The small parlor across from the upstairs bathroom is designated for use by nursing mothers during the worship services.

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
WAAC 94.7 FM
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
(excluding First Sundays)

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting
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)

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

Aug 28: M.L. Wilson & M. Tuggle

Sept. 4: Sarah Wilson & C. Rowan