

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day | April 18, 2021 | 9:15 & 10:45 a.m.

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THE SESSION

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Announcements

***The Call to Worship**

***The Hymn of Praise....."Lift High the Cross"**

(Ref.) Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim,

till all the world a-dore his sa-cred name. *Fine*

1. Come, brethren, follow where our Saviour trod,
 2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
 3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
 4. Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease
 5. For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,

our King vic-tor-ious, Christ, the Son of God.
 the hosts of God in con-qu'ring ranks com-bine.
 • as thou hast prom-ised, draw men un-to thee.
 be-neath the shad-ow of its heal-ing peace.
 cre-a-tion's prais-es rise be-fore thy throne. *D.C.*

***The Prayer of Adoration**

***The Confession of FaithHeidelberg Catechism No. 26**

Q. What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth"?

A. *That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father for the sake of Christ his Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this vale of tears. He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.*

The Call to Confession.....Romans 12:9–15

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

The Confession of Sin

Omnipotent and everlasting God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who by Your eternal providence disposes kingdoms and nations as seems best to Your wisdom: We acknowledge Your judgments are righteous.

Justly may You pour forth upon us Your plagues, for we have scorned Your Word, despised Your mercies, and transgressed Your laws. We have not abhorred oppression and violence; we have not shown charity and love to our neighbor as our profession requires. In us, of ourselves, there is nothing worthy of Your mercy, for all are found fruitless and worthy to be burned in the fire of Your eternal displeasure.

But, O Lord, behold Your own mercy and goodness. Let Your love overcome the severity of Your judgments, even as it did in giving to the world Your only Son when all mankind was lost and no obedience was left in Adam or in his seed.

Remove from our hearts the contempt of Your Word and look to the honor of Your own name and forgive us all our sins. Indeed, let Your gospel be preached with boldness in this land for the glory of Your Beloved Son.

The Silent Confession

~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~

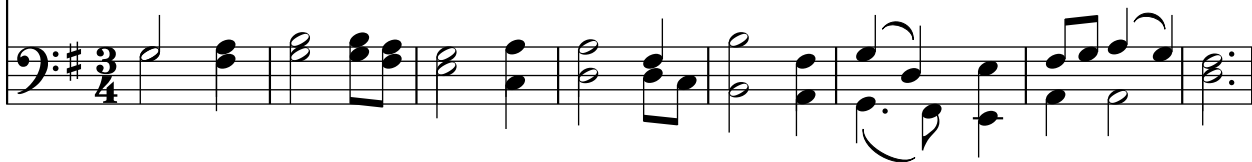
The Assurance of PardonRomans 3:23-25

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness.

*The Hymn of Thanksgiving....."Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"



1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,
2. All that ded - i - cat - ed cit - y, dear - ly loved of God on high,
3. To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, to - day:
4. Here vouch - safe to all thy ser - vants what they ask of thee to gain,
5. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or to the Son,



- cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious, bind - ing all the church in one;
in ex - ul - tant ju - bi - la - tion pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy;
• with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness hear thy peo - ple as they pray;
what they gain from thee for - ev - er with the bless - ed to re - tain,
laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er Three and ev - er One,



ho - ly Zi - on's help for - ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 God the One in Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 • and thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 and here - af - ter in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.
 One in might, and One in glo - ry, while un - end - ing ag - es run.

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The Encouragement to Give2 Corinthians 9:6–8

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

~ God's People Call to Him for Help ~

The Great Prayer

Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us via this [link](#) or the QR code below. You can also call (706.866.2521) or email (office@fpfo.org) the church office.



***The Psalm No. 24.....“The Earth and Its Riches”**

1. ¹The earth and the rich - es that in it are stored, The
2. ⁵Yes, he from the LORD shall a bless - ing ob - tain, And

world and its dwell - ers be - long to the LORD. ²For
from God his Sav - ior he'll righ - teous - ness gain. ⁶Thus

He is the One who first caused it to stand, And
look - ing to Him is a whole bless - ed race; All

up from the seas He es - tab - lished the land.
those who, like Ja - cob, are seek - ing Your face.

³O who can the path to the LORD's mount as -
⁷O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them

chend? And who in the place of His ho - li - ness
high! The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws

stand? ⁴The man of pure heart and of hands with - out
nigh! ⁸O who is the King that in glo - ry draws

stain, Who swears not to i - dols nor wor-ships what's vain.
near? The LORD, might-y LORD of the bat - tle, is here!

3. ⁹O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them

high! The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws

nigh! ¹⁰This great King of glo - ry, O who can He

be? The LORD God of hosts, King of glo - ry is He!

I. Introduction: What is a Covenant?

II. Main Argument

A. Covenant Intent (vv. 1-4)

1. Holiness of God (vv. 1-2): How is God’s grace seen even here?

a. How do we know this is a presbytery meeting?

b. **Application**: How is the truth that God may be approached “by invitation only” made clear both in your life and in this text?

2. The First Reading (v. 3): Should Israel have responded differently to the reading of God’s Law and Ordinances?

3. Covenant Record (v. 4a): What three truths do we learn from the first part of verse four as Moses writes the words?

B. Covenant Sacrifice (vv. 4-6)

1. Representation (v. 4b): What is the physical sign representing God? What is the physical sign representing Israel?

2. Sacrifices (v. 5): What do the two types of sacrifices mean?

a. What does the slaughtering of animals mean in a covenant?

b. Why is blood important to this covenant ceremony?

3. Propitiation (v. 6): How do we know Moses *sprinkled* the blood?

a. What does the blood on the altar teach about atonement?

b. **Application**: How does this direct us to Christ?

C. Covenant Ratified (vv. 7-8)

1. Second Reading (v. 7): What does Israel's response demonstrate about Divine sovereignty?

2. Expiation (v. 8): Why is it significant that Moses sprinkled the altar *before* sprinkling Israel?

a. What does this teach about atonement and the removal of guilt?

b. **Application**: What has Christ given to assure us that the blood of the New Covenant does provide for our full forgiveness?

D. Covenant Meal (vv. 9-11)

1. Remarkable Exception (vv. 10a, 11a): Why was this passage such a great embarrassment for the wicked, unbelieving after the dawn of the Christian Era?

a. Prior to Christ's coming, what did the Hebrew saints wonder about passages such as Daniel 7 and Psalm 110?

b. How does Moses reveal this is confusing even to him?

2. What Do they See? What all does Moses describe, what does he *not* attempt to describe?

a. How does this anticipate another mountain?

b. Where has God most fully revealed Himself?

3. What Do They Do?

a. **Application:** How does the presence of Nadab and Abihu at this meeting caution us?

b. Where did the food and wine come from?

c. What does this feast anticipate?

*The Psalm of Commitment No. 23 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

1. ¹ The LORD's my Shep - herd, lead - ing me;
2. ³ And He re - stores my soul a - gain;
3. ⁴ Though in a val - ley dark as death,

The first system of musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of a treble and a bass staff. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with accompaniment in the bass staff. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

I will not be in need.
He guides the steps I take
No e - vil will I fear;

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. It features a treble and a bass staff. The melody continues in the treble staff, with a triplet of eighth notes in the fifth measure. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

2 He'll make me lie in pas - tures green;
 To walk a - long a righ - teous path,
 Your rod and staff, they com - fort me,

By qui - et wa - ters lead.
 All for His own name's sake.
 For You are al - ways near.

4. ⁵ A feast You have prepared for me
 In sight of all my foes;
 And You anoint my head with oil,
 My full cup overflows.

5. ⁶ What love and goodness all my life
 Will follow after me;
 And in the LORD's house evermore
 My dwelling place will be.

***The Response....."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.*

O CHURCH, ARISE:
 Conference Simulcast at FPFO

Wednesday, May 5

- 11:00 a.m. *Truths We Confess: Confessional Integrity & the PCA* | David Strain
- 12:15 p.m. *The Puritans & Old Paths of Piety* | Joel Beeke
- 1:15 p.m. LUNCH (provided by FPFO; please register with the church office)
- 3:45 p.m. *Worship Reformed According to Scripture* | David McWilliams
- 6:15 p.m. SUPPER (provided by FPFO; please register with the church office)
- 7:15 p.m. *A Faith Worth Fighting For: the future of the PCA* | Jon Payne
- 8:30 p.m. *Christ's Church: Mission, Message, Ministry* | Harry Reeder

Events continue on May 6 at 10:30 a.m.; please see the poster for the full schedule.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 18, 2021

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MASK POLICY:

Masks are **required** for the 9:15 a.m. Service

The only exceptions are those actively leading a portion of the service and persons ten and under.

Masks are **recommended** for the 10:45 a.m. Service and 6 p.m. Evening Worship

The front left section of the auditorium is reserved during evening worship for those wearing masks and desiring to maintain physical distance from other worshippers.

What About Nursery? Young children are *always* welcome in worship! However, if parents are more comfortable, a nursery is provided downstairs for children three years old and under in the 10:45 a.m. worship service.

Nursery April 18: **Sarah Wilson** Nursery April 25: **Mary Lou Wilson**

If you would like to volunteer to serve in the nursery, contact Mary Lou Wilson.

- + Please welcome Mrs. Annelle Hammond who is serving us at the piano.
- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship tonight. Be preparing your heart to commune with Christ by faith in the coming week.
- + Additional people are needed to help with technology on the Lord's Day. Please let Ryan know if you are willing to serve in this area.
- + Please register for the Youth Service and Adventure Week by May 2; the \$60 activity fee is due by May 30. For fundraising opportunities, see Sandy Keller.

Keep up with the church in her worship and work:

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting **FPFO** to 84576.
- + If you are not currently receiving the weekly prayer list via email and would like to do so, please contact the church secretary: office@fpfo.org.
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the plate at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: FPFO.org/give.

FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

The Lord's Day

9:15 a.m. Morning Worship
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
(except First Sundays)

Wednesday

5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting*
6:50-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies
The Kings of Israel (adults)*
The Life of David (young men)
Is God Great & Good (young women)
KidsQuest (young children)

*Also available remotely: www.FPFO.org/live