

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | SEPTEMBER 25, 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

\*The Hymn of Praise No. 15 ..... "Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

## \*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith ..... The Heidelberg Catechism No. 29

Q. Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," meaning "Saviour"?

A. *Because he saves us from our sins; and because salvation is not to be sought or found in anyone else.*

The Call to Confession ..... Psalm 24:3-5

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

## The Confession of Sin

*Almighty God, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Redeemer of Your people, we bow in humble confession of our sins because You have promised to forgive us on the merits of Christ, Your only Son, the Lamb of God who covers our iniquities. You alone know how often we have offended You and injured others. Forgive us, O Lord, for every irreverent thought, for every untrue word, for every unkind act, for our neglect of prayer, for every selfish use of money, and for forgetfulness of our sacred vows. O God, have mercy upon us and heal us, and enable us by Your Holy Spirit to walk after the example of Christ, our Lord and King.*

## The Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon ..... Isaiah 43:24-25

You have not bought me sweet cane with money, or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices. But you have burdened me with your sins; you have wearied me with your iniquities. "I, I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.

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


# Stand Up and Bless the Lord

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*Stand up and praise the LORD your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting.*  
Neh. 9:5



1. Stand up and bless the Lord, you peo - ple of his choice;  
2. Though high a - bove all praise, a - bove all bless - ing high,  
3. O for the liv - ing flame from his own al - tar brought,  
4. God is our strength and song, - and his sal - va - tion ours;  
5. Stand up and bless the Lord, the Lord your God a - dore;



stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.  
who would not fear his ho - ly name, and laud and mag - ni - fy?  
• to touch our lips, our minds in - spire, and wing to heav'n our thought!  
then be his love in Christ pro - claimed with all our ran - somed pow'rs.  
stand up and bless his glo - rious name hence - forth for - ev - er - more.

James Montgomery, 1824, 1825  
Mod.

CARLISLE S.M.  
Charles Lockhart, 1769



\*The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 321....."Great God, What Do I See and Hear"

The Offering .....Ephesians 5:1-2

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Great Prayer .....Elder David Bosshardt

\*The Hymn....."Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending"

1. Lo! He comes, with clouds de - scend - ing,  
 2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him,  
 3. Ev - 'ry is - land, sea, and moun - tain,  
 4. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pect - ed,  
 5. Yea, a - men! Let all a - dore Thee,

once for fa - vored sin - ners slain; thou - sand  
 robed in dread - ful maj - es - ty; those who  
 heav'n and earth, shall flee a - way; all who  
 see in sol - emn pomp ap - pear! And His  
 high on Thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior,

thou - sand saints at - tend - ing swell the  
 set - sand at naught and sold Him, pierced, and  
 hate Him must, con - found - ed, hear the  
 saints, by men re - ject - ed, com - ing  
 take the pow'r and glo - ry, claim the

tri - umph of His train. Al - le -  
 nailed Him to the tree, deep - ly  
 trump pro - claim the day: Come to  
 with Him in the air. Al - le -  
 king - dom for Thine own: O come

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly  
 judg - ment! Come to judg - ment! Come to  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 quick - ly, O come quick - ly, O come

lu - ia! God ap - pears on earth to reign.  
 wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
 judg - ment! Come to judg - ment, come a - way!  
 lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!  
 quick - ly! Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Lord, come!

SERMON NOTES

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I. **Introduction**: Why are these people stuck opposing Jesus?

II. **Main Argument**

A. **Distinction (vv .23-24)**

1. Difference of Priorities (v. 23)

a. Why do the Pharisees not receive His doctrine?

b. Why does the world hate Jesus?

c. **Application: You cannot follow Jesus if this life occupies a primary place of importance**

2. Means of Escape (v. 24)

a. What refuge does the Saviour offer?

b. How is He revealing His identity here?

B. **Damnation (vv. 25-27)**

1. Ignorance or Arrogance (v. 25): To what common tactic do the opponents of Jesus resort in reply?

a. What do the Pharisees emphasize in their question?

b. The *beginning* of what?

2. Judgment Comes (v. 26)

a. How does the Saviour answer these opponents?

b. What do we learn about the way the Saviour responds?

c. Why does judgment not come immediately?

d. **Application**: *God's mouth is the only source of truth.*

3. **No Discernment (v. 27)**

**C. Declaration (vv.28-30)**

1. **Revelation (v. 28)**: How does the cross portray both Christ's humiliation and glory?

2. **Submission (vv. 28b-29)**: How does the Saviour show His communion with the Father? How does the Father display His pleasure in the Son?

3. **Response (v. 30)**: To what do the people respond in faith?

**III. Conclusion**

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Psalm of Commitment No. 22 .."All Ends of Earth Will Turn to Him" (page 6)

~ 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.*

**SEPTEMBER 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT**

August Income:	\$14,221.83	Monthly Budget:	\$23,816
August Expenses:	\$34,323.95	2022 Budget:	\$285,793
August Net:	(\$20,102.12)		
2022 Income:	\$194,257.14		
2022 Expenses:	\$185,793.92		
2022 Net Income:	\$8,463.22		

12. <sup>27</sup> All ends of earth will turn to Him; The LORD they  
 13. <sup>29</sup> All those who prosper in the earth Will eat and  
 14. <sup>30</sup> A seed will rise to do His will, And of the

will a - gain re - call. The na-tions' fam-'lies all will come,  
 low be - fore Him bend; And in His pres-ence all will bow,  
 Lord be made a - ware. <sup>31</sup> The gen - er - a - tion that will come

To wor - ship and be - fore Him fall, <sup>28</sup> Be - cause the  
 Who help - less to the dust de - scend, Who e - ven  
 Will then His righ - teous - ness de - clare To peo - ple

LORD the king - dom owns And rules a - bove all earth - ly thrones.  
 though they vain - ly strive, Can nev - er keep their souls a - live.  
 who are yet to be, That He has done this; it was He.



# Women's Activities & Events

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Starts October 8!

### OUR JOY MATTERS TO JESUS

A 9-week study of Philippians to discover  
a joy through every circumstance of life

2nd & 4th Saturdays | 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Contact Hannah Rowan for more details:

336-706-7371

## 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 SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

- + The Lord's Supper will be observed as part of Morning Worship next Lord's Day.
- + This month we are collecting toys for for Operation Christmas Child: consider items like small stuffed animals, deflated soccer balls and pumps, sewing kits, bracelets and necklaces, fishing hooks, lines, and weights, harmonicas and recorder instruments, small nerf balls, cards, jump ropes, small Lego kits.
- + This Fall, we are cooperating with *Choices Pregnancy Center* to fill "Bottles of Change" to financially support mothers in need in our area.
- + Next year is the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of FPFO in this location. Session created a committee to commemorate and give thanks for this milestone. There is a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for those interested in serving on the committee.

## 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](mailto: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](https://fpfo.org/give).

### Congregational Forum

October 2 | 9:45 a.m.

What are we doing well?

Where can we improve?

What are our priorities?

In preparation for an elder "Shepherding Retreat" to consider and plan for the future of FPFO, we desire to get a better understanding of how the members perceive the ministries here. Please join us next Lord's Day to talk about these things together.

## 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

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.**

Sept. 25: E. Wilson & C. Rowan

Oct. 2: M.L. Wilson & A. Wilson