

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

## THE LORD'S DAY

The First Day of November, Two Thousand Twenty
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister The Reverend Mr. Ralph S. Kelley — Executive Minister

## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Introit — "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"..... Ludwig van Beethoven

## The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 92 — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

- 1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- 2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he, Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- 3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- 4. That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

## SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Offering

The Anthem — "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"...... Arr. Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name: In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream, He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake His ways, And leads me for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay, One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of my foes, doth still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; O may Thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise! There would I find a settled rest while others go and come, No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.

## The Hymn No. 434 — "Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver"

- 1. Lord, thou lov'st the cheerful giver, who with open heart and hand blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us then the grace of giving with a spirit large and free, that our life and all our living, we may consecrate to thee.
- 2. We are thine, thy mercy sought us, found us in death's dreadful way, to the fold in safety brought us, never more from thee to stray. Thine own life thou freely gavest as an off'ring on the cross for each sinner whom thou savest from eternal shame and loss.
- 3. Blest by thee with gifts and graces, may we heed thy church's call; gladly in all times and places give to thee who givest all.

  Thou hast bought us, and no longer can we claim to be our own; ever free and ever stronger, we shall serve thee, Lord, alone.
- 4. Savior, thou hast freely given all the blessings we enjoy, earthly store and bread of heaven, love and peace without alloy; humbly now we bow before thee, and our all to thee resign; for the kingdom, pow'r, and glory, are, O Lord, forever thine.

## The Pastoral Prayer

## HEARING GOD'S VOICE

## The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Chronicles 29:1-22

And David the king said to all the assembly, "Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, is young and inexperienced, and the work is great, for the palace will not be for man but for the Lord God. <sup>2</sup> So I have provided for the house of my God, so far as I was able, the gold for the things of gold, the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, besides great quantities of onyx and stones for setting, antimony, colored stones, all sorts of precious stones and marble. <sup>3</sup> Moreover, in addition to all that I have provided for the holy house, I have a treasure of my own of gold and silver, and because of my devotion to the house of my God I give it to the house of my God: <sup>4</sup> 3,000 talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and 7,000 talents of refined silver, for overlaying the walls of the house, <sup>5</sup> and for all the work to be done by craftsmen, gold for the things of gold and silver for the things of silver. Who then will offer willingly, consecrating himself today to the Lord?"

<sup>6</sup> Then the leaders of fathers' houses made their freewill offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, and the officers over the king's work. <sup>7</sup> They gave for the service of the house of God 5,000 talents and 10,000 darics of gold, 10,000 talents of silver, 18,000 talents of bronze and 100,000 talents of iron. <sup>8</sup> And whoever had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the house of the Lord, in the care of Jehiel the Gershonite. <sup>9</sup> Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the Lord. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: "Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. <sup>11</sup> Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. <sup>12</sup> Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. <sup>13</sup> And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

<sup>14</sup> "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. <sup>15</sup> For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. <sup>16</sup> O Lord our God, all this abundance that we have provided

for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own. <sup>17</sup> I know, my God, that you test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. <sup>18</sup> O Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep forever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts toward you. <sup>19</sup> Grant to Solomon my son a whole heart that he may keep your commandments, your testimonies, and your statutes, performing all, and that he may build the palace for which I have made provision."

<sup>20</sup> Then David said to all the assembly, "Bless the Lord your God." And all the assembly blessed the Lord, the God of their fathers, and bowed their heads and paid homage to the Lord and to the king. <sup>21</sup> And they offered sacrifices to the Lord, and on the next day offered burnt offerings to the Lord, 1,000 bulls, 1,000 rams, and 1,000 lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel. <sup>22</sup> And they ate and drank before the Lord on that day with great gladness.

**The Sermon** — "All that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours"... Dr. Strain

The Hymn No. 2 (Stzs. 1, 3, and 6) — "O Worship the King"

- O worship the King all-glorious above,
   O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
   our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
   pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
- 3. The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

#### The Benediction

The Postlude — "Improvisation on 'O Worship the King"...... Organist

## WELCOME

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word.

## VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you are here. You can text **fpcjwelcome** to 955-77 to learn more about how to get connected to the life of our church.



# STEWARDSHIP

2021

TODAY
NOVEMBER 1, 2020



"ALL THAT IS IN
THE HEAVENS
AND IN THE EARTH
IS YOURS."
1 CHRONICLES 29:11

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Fill out your Pledge Card with your 2021 Stewardship Commitment. Insert Pledge Card into envelope and seal. Attach stamp and mail envelope OR return to the church Business Office at your convenience.

## **EVENING WORSHIP**

#### Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Discipleship The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care

The Greetings and Announcements (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus"......Arr. Yeates Morgan Yeates, Piano

## The Call to Worship

## The Hymn No. 672 — "Trust and Obey"

 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

#### Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

 Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but his smile quickly drives it away; not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.

#### Refrain

3. Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

#### Refrain

4. But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.

#### Refrain

5. Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we will walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go, never fear, only trust and obey.

## Refrain

#### The Invocation

## The Hymn — "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"

1. Jesus! What a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul; Friends may fail me foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

#### Refrain:

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him; Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

#### Refrain

3. Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll; Even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul.

#### Refrain

Jesus! What a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high; Storms about me, night o'er-takes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry.

#### Refrain

5. Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find; He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.

#### Refrain

## The Greetings

The Prayer	 	 •••••	 ••••	•••••	 	Mr.	Hu Me	ena

## The Young Children's Devotional — The Children's Catechism

- **Q55.** What does God the Father guarantee in the covenant of grace? A: To justify and sanctify all those for whom Christ died.
- **Q56.** How does God justify you? A: God forgives all my sins and accepts me as righteous through Christ.

The Meditation and Prayer ......Austin Lenox, Student Ministry Intern

## The Hymn — "By Faith"

- By faith we see the hand of God.
   In the light of creation's grand design,
   In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
   Who walk by faith and not by sight.
- 2. By faith our fathers roamed the earth.
  With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts,
  Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
  A place where peace and justice reign.

#### Refrain:

We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. 'Til the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day,
 When the longed-for Messiah would appear,
 With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,
 And rise triumphant from the grave.

#### Refrain

4. By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
To deliver captives and to preach good news,
In ev'ry corner of the earth.

Refrain

#### The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Hebrews 11:1-40 ...... (see guide)

The Sermon — *Hebrews*: By Faith...... Mr. Felker

#### The Benediction

#### The Response

By faith this mountain shall be moved And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail, For we know in Christ all things are possible, For all who call upon His name. We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. 'Til the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

The Postlude — "Jesus, the Name High over All"......Thomas Phillips

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**II THESSALONIANS 3:1** — "Finally, brethren, pray for us...."

Alonzo & Esther Ramirez – Serving in campus ministry, seminary training, and church planting with Christian Missionary Society in Cajamarca, Peru.

**Per and Beth Almquist** – Serving as church planters with Mission to North America in Lewiston, ME. Email: per.almquist@freegrace.us.

#### **FLOWERS**

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Katherine Tomb by her nieces, Catherine and Elizabeth Cook.

## AWAKENING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2020-2021

At times not unlike our own, when revival seemed improbable and unlikely, God has been pleased to visit his people in seasons of extraordinary blessing. In such days, the preaching of the Word of God is given new power, deep conviction of sin penetrates the heart, believers are revitalized as the gospel comes to them with renewed sweetness and joy, and many are converted to Christ. Please join us as we continue to learn about the Awakening that only God can bring.

### **DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS**

FPC Jackson is looking for someone to lead our communications department. If you know of someone who might want to learn more about this position, please have them contact Ralph Kelley at ralphk@fpcjackson.org.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY - LIVE, LAUGH, LOVE OUTSIDE EDITION

Join us on November 17, from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., for outdoor small-group fellowship at various homes around the metro Jackson area. Sign up on the website or app or call 601-973-9115.

#### MIDWEEK PROGRAMS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Midweek programs and Sunday School classes have begun to meet on-site. Our November Sunday School electives are active on the online registration website. To register, please visit fpcjackson.org/registration/.

#### TWIN LAKES CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER

Twin Lakes wishes to be available to the families and ministries of our church, with appropriate systems and guidelines in place. Please call Twin Lakes at 601-845-6858 to reserve time for your family or group.

#### STORIES OF FAITHFULNESS: A PODCAST OF HOPE

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