



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the online Connect Card in our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at fpibr.org/connect.

Prayer Requests. We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be emailed (prayer@fpibr.org), sent through Facebook Live or by using the church app.

Mission Conference This Weekend: August 29 & 30. Participate in person or virtually! All are invited to the 2020 Mission Conference and you don't even have to get out of your pj's to join in! ". . . To the end of the earth" is the theme for this year's conference. Brian Miller of Medellin, Colombia and MacGregor Magruder of South East Asia will be our speakers. Join us in person (social distancing and masks observed) or online (Facebook or YouTube). No registration required.

Dr. Mark Futato Teaching on Psalms Tonight at 5 pm! Dr. Mark Futato of Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, a world expert and engaging speaker, will explore the significance of psalms and take us deep into 25-32. Join us live on Facebook or YouTube at 5 pm. Like usual, the video will be available on the FPC YouTube channel, Facebook page and our church app after Sunday.

Online Mentoring! Have a Heart for Kids? Change a life in 30 minutes a week! Through Kids Hope, USA, we can now offer a safe alternative to mentoring on site at Gardere Community Christian School. Mentors can meet via computer with their students in weekly 30 minute sessions. This may be the mission outlet you're looking for! Contact Annette Lamond (annette@fpibr.org) for information.

Women's Fall Study: Daniel. Through his apocalyptic visions, Daniel reveals that in spite of circumstances, God is in control and will ultimately be victorious. Women's Ministry begins its fall study on Daniel the first week in September. Participate in person or virtually. Visit fpibr.org/womensministry for details.

Sign Up for Sunday Nursery! Nursery care for infants through kindergarten is available for those who sign up! Visit fpibr.org/soloved to make a reservation. Visit fpibr.org for Children's Ministry COVID policies and procedures.

Restoring Your Soul Through Psalms. Our sermon series on Psalms 20-34 will be augmented by several interlocking ways to engage. At 5 pm tonight, we will livestream a Sunday evening seminar on the Psalms, featuring RTS professor Mark Futato. Consider hosting a "Watch Party" at your house! Each Monday you'll receive a video email introducing the psalm of the week. Get ready for a deepening, unifying fall!

Shepherding Through the Psalms. Connect more intentionally with the Lord and each other by participating in a "Shepherding Through the Psalms" group. These groups are made up of friends spurring one another toward Christ. So consider grabbing some friends to watch the seminars, connect weekly about life, as well as what you're learning, and journey through the Psalms together. Email Kelly Wood to participate (kelly@fpibr.org).

Sunday School Returns September 13! Sunday school for 1st graders through adults resumes September 13. All are welcome.

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Sunday School Teachers Needed. We can't wait to see your children soon! We plan to open up for Sunday school on September 13. In order to do that, we are in great need of teachers. Please consider serving in Children's Ministry by teaching in our Kingdom Kids Program (grades 1-5). Our childhood team is hard at work establishing specific procedures for re-opening based on CDC guidelines. Please contact Kendra Bremer at kendra@fpibr.org or 713.829.0828 for more information.

Give Online. Visit fpibr.org or go to the church app to make your gift online. You may also give through the U.S. mail. Email prayer@fpibr.org if you have online giving questions.

First Presbyterian Church and Social Media (Instagram, YouTube and Facebook). Sanctuary services are livestreamed on the web and we frequently post photos of members engaged in fellowship at our small groups, worship services and events. If you have any questions, contact Katie Robinson or Jay High.

Sanctuary Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Annslee Laura Phillips by Lauren Teague Phillips and N. LaRon Phillips.*

Scripture for Next Week: Acts 1: 8; Psalm 34

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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ORDER of WORSHIP

August 23, AD 2020
10.30 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Jaime Carnaggio

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Exodus 14, Deuteronomy 1 and John 20

When the People of God huddled frightened on the shore of the Red Sea while the ground rumbled with the sound of Pharaoh's chariots, the LORD I AM said through Moses:
“Fear not, stand firm, and behold your salvation. I will fight for you.”

When the People of God nervously peered into the promised land and shrank back from entering the land of giants, the LORD I AM said through Moses:
“Do not be in dread. I go before you. I will fight for you.”

Now one greater than Moses has come. He is the anointed one to whom all of heaven answers with saving might. To his people he says:
“Peace be with you. Come see the scars. Put your hand in my side. Do not disbelieve but believe.”

Jesus has fought the battle, walked through the valley, and won the victory.
Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life. And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

*Song of Praise

“Jesus the Mighty One”

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

*Scriptural Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Most Holy One, enthroned in heaven; you are a mighty protector for those with whom you make covenant. You have shown this to be true in your word. You would fight for us. But we have trusted in the perceived power of created things. We thought the machinery of war would be effective. We try to fight fire with fire. We fall. Have mercy on us. Teach us, Holy Spirit, to stand upon and trust only the name of the Lord our God. To find the source of our security and the desire of our hearts in the anointed king, our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Standing*

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Greeting

Announcements and Minute for Mission

Katherine and Brian Miller, Global Transformation Ministries

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 20

May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble!
May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!
May he send you help from the sanctuary
and give you support from Zion!
May he remember all your offerings
and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices!

May he grant you your heart's desire
and fulfill all your plans!
May we shout for joy over your salvation,
and in the name of our God set up our banners!
May the LORD fulfill all your petitions!

Now I know that the LORD saves his anointed;
he will answer him from his holy heaven
with the saving might of his right hand.
Some trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.
They collapse and fall,
but we rise and stand upright.

O LORD, save the king!
May he answer us when we call.

These sacred writings are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.
For all Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, that the person of God may be complete, equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3: 15-17).

Message

Gerrit Dawson

“Practicing Benediction”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Presentation of the Offering

*Offertory

“Psalm 20”



INTERCESSION

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*Song of Response

“Come Ye Sinners”



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!