

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

*Hymn of Response

"Lift High the Cross" (vs. 1, 3-5)



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

III. Presto from Divertimento No. 1 in D Major by W. A. Mozart

Sanctuary Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers serve to honor a departed loved one or celebrate with thanksgiving cherished people or events. If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 291.3095

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 28

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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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 fpcbr.org/connect.

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

September 13: Two Worship Services. And Sunday School! It's time at last to re-gather the congregation! 9 am Contemporary and 11 am Classic Reformed return! Sunday school for children, confirmation, youth and some adult classes also begin. Please be patient as we work through our safety procedures. Masking and distancing will continue, but hey, we're used to it now!

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@fpcbr.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. Join us virtually beginning Wednesday, September 2 @ 6.30 pm (Zoom link online at fpcbr.org/womensministry) or in person Thursday, September 3 @ 9.30 am (Sanctuary). Contact Jaime Carnaggio if you would like childcare.

Circles Starting Soon! Join us as we explore how knowing who we are in Christ changes every aspect of our lives. Circles kick off in September and there are multiple options (in-person and virtual). Visit fpcbr.org/womensministry or contact Jaime Carnaggio (jaime@fpcbr.org) for more information.

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

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 connect weekly about life, as well as what you're learning, and journey through the Psalms together. Email Kelly Wood to participate (kelly@fpcbr.org).

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@fpcbr.org or 713.829.0828 for more information.

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



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But you will receive power
when the Holy Spirit has
come upon you,
and you will be my witnesses
in Jerusalem and in all Judea
and Samaria, and to the end
of the earth (Acts 1: 8).

ORDER of WORSHIP
Mission Sunday, August 30, 2020
10.30 am

GLOBAL20
MISSIONS20



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Whitney Alexander

Prelude

“Morning Has Broken” arranged by Antti Hakkarainen
Borislava Iltcheva, violin
Aaron Farrell, violin
Grant Bedillon, viola
Joy Bedillon, cello

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 34

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
**My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
**I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
**This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.
**Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**

*Song of Praise

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

“O Praise the Name”

*Scriptural Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

From Psalm 34: 11-14

Our Father, your Word asks the question, “What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?” We answer, “We all do!” So you tell us what to do next:

“Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.” But we have failed to do that. We sin with our words. We sin with ridicule; we sin with lies. We sin with aggression; we sin with passivity. In what we do, and in what we leave undone. Forgive us! Do not set your face against us. But draw near to us who are brokenhearted over our failings. Hear us and cover us in the righteousness of Jesus Christ! Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Greeting and Announcements

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Acts 1: 8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

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Message

Brian Miller

“Taste and See That the Lord Is Good”

We welcome the Rev. Brian Miller to our pulpit via video from Medellin Colombia. Our church has been supporting the Millers for the last decade. Brian and his wife Katherine have three children. They oversee a ministry to young women who have been sexually trafficked as well as a church plant in the city.

Gerrit is preaching this morning at Covenant Presbyterian in Mobile (completing the pulpit swap with Alec Flynt). Barry is preaching this morning at Church of the Resurrection in New Orleans (our daughter church).



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Presentation of the Offering

Offertory

“Come Alive” by Michael Farren and Lauren Daigle
Cara Waring, soprano
Von Iyengar, soprano

Through the eyes of man it seems there’s so much we have lost,
As we look down the road where all the prodigals have walked.
And one by one, the enemy has whispered lies, and led them off as slaves.
But we know that you are God; yours is the victory.
We know there is more to come that we may not yet see.
So with the faith you’ve given us, we’ll step into the valley unafraid,
We call out to dry bones, “Come alive, come alive!”
We call out to dead hearts, “Come alive, come alive!”
Up out of the ashes let us see an army rise
We call out to dry bones, “Come alive!”
God of endless mercy, God of unrelenting love,
Rescue ev’ry daughter; bring us back the wayward sons.
And by your Spirit, breathe upon them;
Show the world that you alone can save.
You alone can save!
Breathe, oh breath of God.
Now breathe, oh breath of God.
Breathe, oh breath of God, now breathe
We call out to dry bones, “Come alive!”

Minute for Mission

Jena and Kevin Smith, EPC World Outreach, Lebanon