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.

*Benediction and Response

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

Postlude

I. Allegro from Concerto No. 11 by Antonio Vivaldi



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*. You may also visit the Connection Center to let us know you're here and receive a visitor bag.

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.

Officer Suggestions for the 2023 Class. The Officer Nominating Committee nominates Elders and Deacons by receiving suggested names of members from the congregation, prayerfully preparing a slate and presenting the slate at the annual October congregational meeting for election. Please be in prayer about who you might suggest. Suggestion cards are online as well as the church app until July 31.

VBS 2020. Yep. We're having it. VBS 2020 will be a to-go treasure hunt with a different location each day. It kicks off during 10.30 am worship next Sunday, July 19 in the Sanctuary. Dates are Sunday, July 19–Wednesday, July 22. No registration needed and it's free! Further information online at *fpcbr.org/vbs*.

10.30 am Worship Each Sunday in July. First Presbyterian Church will have just one 10.30 worship service in the Sanctuary each Sunday in July. Service will continue to be livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook Live.

Sunday School Teachers Needed. We can't wait to see your children soon! We plan to open up for Sunday school on August 16 for the upcoming school year. 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.

Foundation Board Meeting, Wednesday, July 15. All are welcome to attend the online ZOOM meeting at 12 pm, July 15. Please contact Jaci Gaspard to receive the meeting link. Further information about the Foundation is available by visiting *fpcbr.org/foundation*.

Women's Covenant Study. What is a covenant and what does it represent? How do the covenants of the Old Testament apply to us today? Join Women's Ministry each Wednesday in July at 6.30 pm for this in-depth look at God's unbreakable covenants. Join us in the Chapel or on livestream (FB or YT). Contact Jaime if you need childcare (*jaime@fpcbr.org*).

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.

MDO Teacher Needed. Mother's Day Out is looking for a co-teacher for the three-year-old class beginning in August. If you know of an individual with a passion for loving and teaching children, please contact Whitney Weiner (*mdo@fpcbr.org*).

Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given in loving memory of Lewis W. "Puna" Eaton, Jr., on the occasion of his July birthday given by Barbara Anne Eaton.

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.



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ORDER of WORSHIP

July 12, AD 2020

10.30 am



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Assisting with Worship: Jamy Comeaux

Prelude

"The Solid Rock" arranged by Dan Forrest Rachel Reese, violin Randy Manning, violin Anna Herrara, cello Steve Gustafson, piano

Welcome

*Call to Worship

From 1 Peter 2: 4-6, 9-10

We come to you, Lord Jesus, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious,

We, like living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious,

And whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession,

We will proclaim the excellencies of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people.

Once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.

†*Song of Praise

"Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"

*Blessing God

†*Song of Praise

"Blessed Assurance"

ASSURANCE

*Greeting

Announcements and Minute for Mission

Albert Ratkin and Kaluga Christian School

Presentation of the Offering

Offertory

"O Draw Me, Lord" by David Baroni Cara Waring, soprano Lauren Honea, alto Dedrian Hogan, tenor Joshua Staes, baritone

O draw me, Lord. And I'll run, after you.

†*Response Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Dedication of the Offering



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

DARWALL

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Exodus 19: 3-6

The LORD called to him [Moses] out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

Isaiah 61: 5; 10-11

Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks;

foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;

my soul shall exult in my God,

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,

and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,

and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,

so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise

to sprout up before all the nations.

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children, forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon Gerrit Dawson A God's Eye View: Of You!

Part 9: "Priests of the LORD"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn of Response

"In Christ Alone"

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.