

## 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

### \*Response

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

### Postlude

"Lead On O King Eternal" arranged by David Lowe



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome.** We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at [fpcbr.org/connect](https://fpcbr.org/connect).

**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@fpcbr.org](mailto:prayer@fpcbr.org), through Facebook Live and the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

**Single 10.30 am Service Labor Day Sunday, September 5.** No Sunday school.

**Buchanan Elementary School Opportunities.** Sign up at the Connection Center to be a Buchanan Teacher Encourager or a K-1st grade tutor! Supplies are also being collected.

**Women's Fall Study on Esther Begins This Week.** There were no signs and wonders, no special revelations, no miracles in the book of Esther. This teaches us that God's plan is often achieved through his divine providence working through ordinary events. Women's Ministry begins its fall study this week (Wednesdays @ 6.30 pm via Zoom and Thursdays @ 9.30 am in FPC Room 202). Visit [fpcbr.org/womensministry](https://fpcbr.org/womensministry) for details.

**Small Groups Forming Now.** Groups will come in all shapes and sizes: married or single, coed, men or women, live or virtual, weekly or every other week. Topics will be either 1 Thessalonians or a Ray Vander Laan study. Contact Kelly Wood ([kelly@fpcbr.org](mailto:kelly@fpcbr.org)) to join or lead a group.

**Women's Circles Resume in September!** Join us as we study Melissa Kruger's *The Envy of Eve: Finding Contentment in A Covetous World* and discover how to replace covetousness with contentment. Circles kick off in September with multiple meeting options. Visit [fpcbr.org/womensministry](https://fpcbr.org/womensministry) or contact Jaime Carnaggio ([jaim@fpcbr.org](mailto:jaim@fpcbr.org)) for more information.

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**Men's Faith & Football September 12.** Men's Ministry is excited to have former LSU tight end and Super Bowl champion Brian Kinchen as guest speaker at Faith & Football. Brian has tasted the glory this world has to offer but his message of true identity found in Christ is what will genuinely encourage you. Bring your son, neighbor or co-worker Sunday, September 12 at 5.30 pm to feast on delicious BBQ. Location will be in either the gym or terraced garden (weather permitting). \$10 per person. Please register by September 8 at [fpcbr.org](https://fpcbr.org).

**Children's Choir Resumes TODAY!** JAM and Joyful Noise children's choir rehearsals are Sundays from 5-6.30 pm. Join us as we learn about the names of Jesus and the promise he brings. We will also present a musical this fall called, "Table for Five . . . Thousand." For more information, please contact Lauren Honea ([lauren@fpcbr.org](mailto:lauren@fpcbr.org)).

**Parents:** We want to give you an amazing gift to help spiritually lead your children! Come to the alcove for your free book.

**HS Youth Group Tonight.** High school youth group will meet at Noah Pourciau's home (7335 Sevenoaks Ave.) from 5-6.30 pm. Bible studies and regular youth groups resume the week of September 12. Contact Noah for more information ([noah@fpcbr.org](mailto:noah@fpcbr.org) or 225.341.9496).

**High School Seniors Sunday School Class Begins September 12.**

**H4H Save the Dates.** Build dates are Sept. 30-Oct. 2, Oct. 7-9 and Oct. 21-24. Registration coming soon.

**Kids Hope USA Needs Mentors.** A mentor spends one hour a week talking, reading, playing and listening to a child at Gardere Community Christian School. Each mentor receives training, support and prayer. Contact Annette Lamond ([annette@fpcbr.org](mailto:annette@fpcbr.org)) to find out more.

**Baptism Today.** Congratulations to the Tomeny family. At the 7.45 am service, Jude Robert Tomeny was baptized.

**The Governor Has Instituted an Indoor Mask Mandate.** Romans 13: "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities." It's not fun, but it's what's called for! We'll be masking during worship, Sunday school and indoor gatherings. We expect to bear this inconvenience cheerfully, resting in the guidance of the law and praying that the pandemic abates. Masks are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

**Twice a Week: Hurricane Relief Day Trips.** Whitney Alexander leads a group of relief workers each Wednesday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome. Meet him in the church parking lot at 6.30 am. Bring work gloves!

**Sanctuary Flowers:** The flowers are given by Ann K. Gregorie and family in memory of their parents, Florence and Mack Gregorie, and in honor of their aunt, Nita K. Harris.

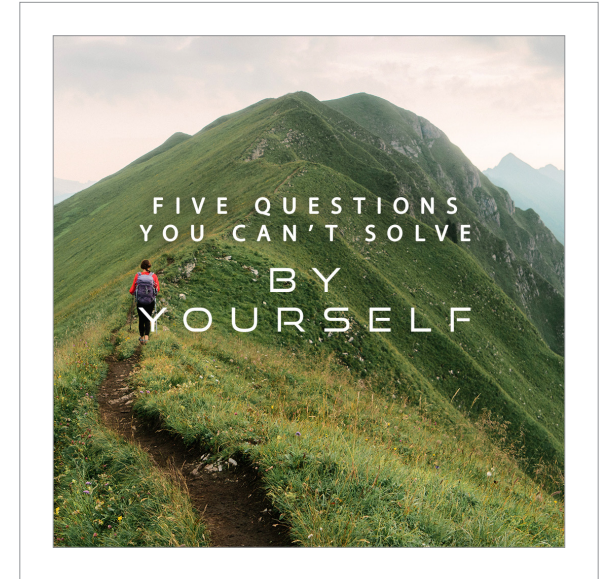
**Scripture for Next Week:** James 2: 14-26

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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## GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

### Prelude

“The Righteous Will Shine Forth” from *Elijah* by Felix Mendelssohn  
Steve Gustafson, organ

### \*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 103

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

**For he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.**

The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field; the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

**But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD’s love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children’s children.**

The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

**Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.**

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

**Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.**

**Praise the LORD, my soul.**

### \*Hymn of Praise

No. 231 “Jesus Shall Reign”

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### \*Blessing God

### \*Scriptural Call to Confession

### \*Prayer of Confession

**Mighty King, you have plainly revealed to us in your word and by your Spirit how the story ends for us and all creation. When we hear of a new heaven and a new earth, we feel glad momentarily. But we quickly become impatient. Like the foolish maidens awaiting the bridegroom, we have become drowsy and have fallen asleep. Like the foolish servant, we have failed to multiply the gifts given to us. Like the ignorant goats, we have neither seen nor served you by ministering to the poor. Have mercy on us we pray. Make us vigilant and ready so that on the great day we might hear you say, “Well done, good and faithful servant! Come and share your master’s happiness!” Amen.**

### \*Silent Confession

### \*Assurance of Pardon

### \*Response

**Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.**

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### Minute for Mission

Ms. Charlotte Britten, principal, Buchanan Elementary School

### \*Greeting and Announcements

*Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children’s Church.*

### Offertory

“Great Gettin’ Up Mornin’” arranged by Christopher Phillips

Dedrian Hogan, tenor

Jesse Kneisler, tenor

Joshua Staes, baritone

Jamison Deffner, bass

I’m gonna tell you ‘bout the comin’ of the judgment, fare thee well.

There’s a better day a comin’, fare thee well.

In that great gettin’ up mornin’, fare thee well.

When you see the lightnin’ flashing, when you hear the thunder crashin’

When you see the stars a fallin’, when you hear the chariots callin’

Good news! The chariot’s comin’.

So glad the chariots comin’ and I don’t want to be left out!

There’s a long white robe in the heavens I know.

Good news! The chariot’s comin’ and I don’t want to be left out!

In that great gettin’ up mornin’, fare thee well. Fare thee well!

*Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.*

### \*Response Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise him all creatures here below;**

**Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### \*Hymn of Preparation

“Is He Worthy?”

### Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

*Acts 3: 12-21, 26 (NIV)*

When Peter saw this, he said to them: “Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

“Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.

“When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways.”

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

Questions You Can’t Solve by Yourself, Part 5:

“What About the Future?”



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### Time of Reflection

### \*Hymn of Response

No. 493 “It Is Well with My Soul”

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