

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit,
through Jesus Christ the maker of atonement, amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

“Viktor’s Tale” from *The Terminal* by John Williams



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.

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

Come Back to Sunday School! Join one of our four adult Sunday school options: Ryan Dickerson teaching on the Gospel of Mark (SB 220 at 10.10 am), Jeff Swarner teaching on church history (SB 219 at 10.10 am), Barry Phillips teaching on the Gospel of John (EB 202 at 10.10 am) and Kevin McCarter teaching on Romans (EB 202 at 9 am). Children and youth move up to the next grade level in Sunday school today.

12 Days Until the Stay-Treat: Price Increase This Wednesday. The First Presbyterian “Stay-Treat” August 20-21 will feature three dynamic presentations by an expert in Critical Theory. Dr. Neil Shenvi brings the rigor of his background in theoretical chemistry along with his unique ability to present complex issues clearly. Read more about Neil at shenviapogetics.com. Please plan to join us for The Deeper Challenge in Cancel Culture. We can't afford not to understand what's going on in our current cultural conversations. Register online at fpcbr.org. Price increase after August 10.

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LSU Prayer Walk This Saturday. Saturday, August 14 at 8.15 am we will intercede for the unreached international and American students at LSU and in our city. Meet under the shady oaks in front of the LSU Union at 8.15 am. Parking is usually available directly in front of the Union or in the parking lot behind Barnes & Noble across from the Union. Dress casual.

Like to Bake? Consider entering the Cobbler Contest for our Stay-Treat! Bring a cobbler of your choice in a 9x13 disposable foil tray to the gym by 7.30 pm on Friday, August 20 (Contest begins at 8.30 pm). There will be a prize for the winner and runner-up! Sign up on the website or by contacting Jaime Carnaggio (jaime@fpcbr.org).

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!

Kingdom Kids SS Teachers Needed! We are looking for Sunday School teachers grades 1-5. Please come join our team and share the love of Jesus with our children. Please contact Kendra Bremer if you are interested in teaching (kendra@fpcbr.org or 713.829.0828).

Buchanan Elementary School Supplies are being collected at the Connection Center.

Nursery Helpers Needed. The So Loved ministry is looking for helpers for the nursery on Sunday Mornings. Volunteers typically serve for one hour, one Sunday per month. If you feel led to help minister to the precious children in our church, please sign up online at fpcbr.org. You may contact Karah Guillory (karah@fpcbr.org or 225.278.8753) if you have questions.

Calling All Rising 6th Graders! Confirmation starts this week and we need to be sure your rising 6th grader is included. Please contact Jessica Saffell (jessica@fpcbr.org or 225.921.2175) if you have a student who will be participating in the 2021-2022 Confirmation class. Important Confirmation Dates: Confirmation Lock-In August 13; First day of class Sunday, August 15.

Need a Pastor After Hours? Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 603.4735.

Scripture for Next Week: Hebrews 2: 14-16

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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August 8, AD 2021

11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Jamy Comeaux

Prelude

Adagio for Clarinet and Piano by Heinrich Joseph Baermann
Victor Drescher, clarinet
Steve Gustafson, piano

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Isaiah 1: 16-18

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes;
**Cease to do evil, learn to do good;
seek justice, correct oppression;
bring justice to the fatherless,
plead the widow’s cause.**

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
**Though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.**

If you are willing and obedient,
you shall eat the good of the land;
**but if you refuse and rebel,
you shall be eaten by the sword;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”**

**Therefore, let us worship the LORD
In Spirit and in Truth.**

*Hymn of Praise

No. 233 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

HYFRYDOL

*Blessing God

Infant Baptism

Cecilia Marie Jenkins
Parents are Rebecca and Allen Jenkins
Sponsoring Elder is Brett Furr

*Standing

*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.**

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Offertory

“To the King” a Setting of 1 Timothy 1: 17 by Travis Cottrell

To the King, eternal, immortal, invisible,
To the King, eternal, the only wise God.
We bring honor. We bring glory.
We bring praises, forever. Amen.

Let your soul rejoice, with a mighty voice,
All the praises ring to the King.

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

*Response Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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.**



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 210 “Jesus Paid It All”

ALL TO CHRIST

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

1 Timothy 1: 15-17

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Colossians 2: 13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

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, Pt. 2:
“What Do We Do with Guilt?”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 203 “And Can It Be”

SAGINA

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

From Psalm 51

**Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!**

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.**