



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the 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.

Contemplative Prayer Hour Tomorrow. Monday at 10 am, Katie and Ryan Forsthoff will lead a quiet hour featuring guided silent prayer based on the reading of Scripture, as well as a brief reflection on the Sunday sermon. This prayer hour takes place every other Monday. All are welcome. More information at fpibr.org.

Darin To Be Ordained! You are cordially invited to attend the ordination and installation of Darin Travis as Associate Pastor for Discipleship, Men's Ministry and Young Adults. Sunday, January 31 during the 11 am worship service.

Couples' Workshop, February 5 & 6. Baton Rouge Christian Counseling Center is offering a couples' workshop Friday, February 5 and Saturday, February 6 at The Chapel on Siegen. Please visit brchristiancounseling.com for more information.

Men's Ministry Skeet Shoot and Gumbo Competition, February 6. Join us Saturday, February 6 for our second annual FPC Skeet Shoot and Cooking Competition. This year's location is on a beautiful 6,000 acre working sugar cane plantation in Morganza, LA. Prizes will be awarded for shooting and cooking abilities. \$25 per person. Further details and registration online at fpibr.org. Rain date is Saturday, February 13.

Annual Meeting, February 7 at 10.15 am. We'll hear great testimonies from youth, review our city ministries, hear a budget presentation and elect nominating committee members. This meeting takes the place of adult Sunday school.

Foto Sisters to Lead Worship February 14. The talented sisters we love so much will lead 9 am and 11 am worship on Sunday, February 14. It is always a pleasure to hear them share Christ through song.

MDO and Preschool Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year. Registration opens for our church members tomorrow, January 25. Contact Whitney Weiner at mdu@fpibr.org or 620.0245 for more information.

Join In! Sunday School provides great opportunity for connection and growth in Christ in 2021! Topics include Romans, the Pauline epistles and getting the most out of your personal Bible study using inductive studying principles. Visit the Connection Center for details.

In Christ Alone: Daily Emails During Lent. Get ready for 40 days of focus on where true, vivid life can be found: in Christ alone. In addition to the printed book each of us will receive, you may sign up for the daily lesson by email. Text INCHRISTALONE to 42828 to register or visit fpibr.org.

The Greatest Stories on Earth: Children's Choir! Join Joyful Noise and JAM! today in the Sanctuary from 5-6.30 as we encounter the best stories from the Bible. For more information, contact Lauren Honea at lauren@fpibr.org.

Daniel's Apocalyptic Literature. This Women's Ministry study of Daniel's Apocalyptic Visions kicked off. Join us via ZOOM on Wednesdays at 6.30 pm (link online) or in the Sanctuary Thursdays at 9.30 am.

Gerrit's New Article on Desiring God (desiringgod.org). "Into the Waters with Us: Five Reasons Jesus Was Baptized." Copies are available at the Connection Center.

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SIAC Seminary Grants. The Session Income Allocation Committee is accepting applications from February 15 to March 15 for financial grants for individuals interested in pursuing full time Christian ministry. Please contact Jaci if you have questions (jaci@fpibr.org or 620.0221).

Need a Pastor After Hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

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! Also, relief items continue to be collected in the gym. Immediately needed items: contractor bags, buckets and cleaning supplies (Fabuloso and bleach).

Why Do We Mask? At First, we insist on masks at our gatherings. Is it inconvenient? Yes! Is their effectiveness debatable? Yes! But . . . 1) It's the law, 2) We respect the medical minds in our own congregation and 3) *We love one another.* We have members who are at risk, fellow worshipers who, for safety concerns, would not come if we wore no masks. Scripture (1 Cor. 8) clearly calls on those who have more freedom to inconvenience themselves for those who have less. So, please, wear a mask inside and do it for love's sake.

Sanctuary Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones. If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 603.4735.*

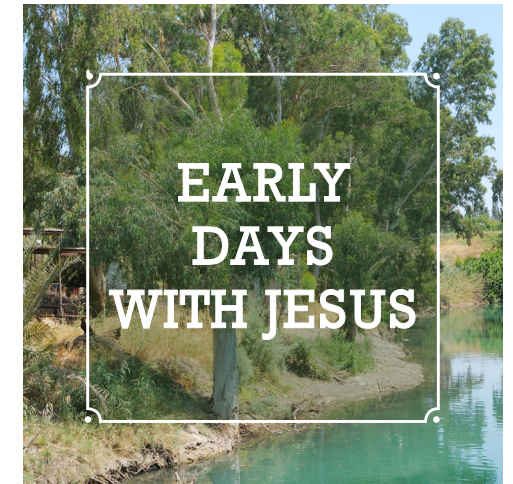
Scripture for Next Week: Luke 5: 17-26

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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ORDER of WORSHIP

January 24, AD 2021

11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Jim Solomon

Prelude

“Overture” by G. F. Handel
Borislava Iltcheva, violin
Aaron Farrell, violin
Grant Bedillion, viola
Joy Bedillion, cello

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 98: 1-6

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to his chosen people.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!
With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

*Hymn of Praise

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

DIX

*Blessing God

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We are unclean, dear LORD. Inescapably so. Our thoughts, words and behaviors are wrapped around us like the torn, defiled garments of the leprous. Our sin has sickened and isolated us. So, we come to you, knowing that you are willing to make us clean. Asking you—begging you—to stretch out your mighty arm and save us. Touch our lips with purifying fire and make us fit to serve you. Cast out our fear with the reassurance of your word that we might cast the net of the gospel as fishers of men. Amen.

Silent Confession

*Standing

Assurance of Pardon

*Response

From Psalm 28: 6-7

**Praise to the LORD, for he has heard
The plea for mercy which I made.
He is my strength, he is my shield;
I trust in him who sends me aid.**

Installation of Officers

Introduction
Questions to the Candidates
Question to the Congregation

Do you, the members of this congregation, receive these persons as Ruling Elders and Deacons, and do you continue your promise to yield to them and all your officers all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which the ordination as an officer entitles them, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church?

*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children’s Church.
Please place your offering in the baskets as you exit worship today.

Anthem

“Laudate Dominum” by W. A. Mozart based on Psalm 117
Cara Waring, soprano

*Laudate Dominum omnes gentes
Laudate eum omnes populi
Quoniam confirmata est
Super nos misericordia eius,
Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum
Gloria Patri et filio et Spiritui Sancto
Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper
Et in saecula lorum. Amen.*

Praise the Lord, all nations;
Praise him all people
For He has bestowed
His mercy upon us
And the truth of the Lord endures forever
Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now, and forever
And for generations of generations. Amen.



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

ARISE

OLD 100TH NO. 20

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 5: 12-16

While he was in one of the cities, there came a man full of leprosy. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged him, “Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.” And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, “I will; be clean.” And immediately the leprosy left him. And he charged him to tell no one, but “go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as Moses commanded, for a proof to them.” But now even more the report about him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear him and to be healed of their infirmities. But he would withdraw to desolate places and pray.

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119: 103, 105).

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson
“I Am Willing”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

ST. COLUMBA



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

Presto from Divertimento in D Major by W. A. Mozart