

*Hymn of Response

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”



LORD’S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

*** This morning we will come forward to receive communion. Ushers will direct worshipers from the back pews: outer sections first, center section next and the balcony last.*

Communion Meditation

“The King of Love, My Shepherd Is” arranged by Dale Wood



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

“Every Valley” by John Ness Beck



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you’re here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Connect Card in the pew racks, 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 sent to prayer@fpibr.org, through Facebook Live and the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Youth and Children’s Summer Important Dates. A *Great Escape* (rising 6th-8th graders) is July 26-31. Registration ends July 19. *Vacation Bible School* is July 26-29. Stay tuned for details and registration. More details can be found at fpibr.org.

Swing Dance Lessons. Swing dance lessons resume on Mondays beginning June 7 @ 6 pm. Call Sherry McKinley for details (225.772.0226).

Good Grief Seminar, Saturday, June 19. All are welcome to join us for this free seminar from 10 am to 12 pm which focuses on the psychological, emotional, physical, relational and spiritual effects of grief in our lives. Please contact Laura Shaw (laura@fpibr.org or 620.0222) to register. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. Childcare will be available.

Women’s Ministry Summer Luncheon, June 30. Why did an all-loving God create evil? What happens to those who never hear the gospel? What’s the relationship between God’s sovereignty and free will? If you have questions like this, join us for our Women’s Ministry Summer Luncheon, where you can ask a panel of our pastors any questions you have about the Bible or what we believe. 11.30-1 in the FPC Reception Room. Lunch provided by Chicken Salad Chick. The cost is \$10 per person. Register at fpibr.org.

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!

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

Give Meaning to Your Spring Cleaning. The Purple Cow Thrift Stores significantly support the work of the Christian Outreach Center. They’re eager to receive donations of clothing, housewares and furniture at both the Perkins and Jones Creek stores.

First Presbyterian Church and Social Media (Instagram, YouTube and Facebook). Sanctuary services are livestreamed on the web and we frequently post photos of members engaged in fellowship at our small groups, worship services and events. If you have any questions, contact Katie Robinson or Jay High.

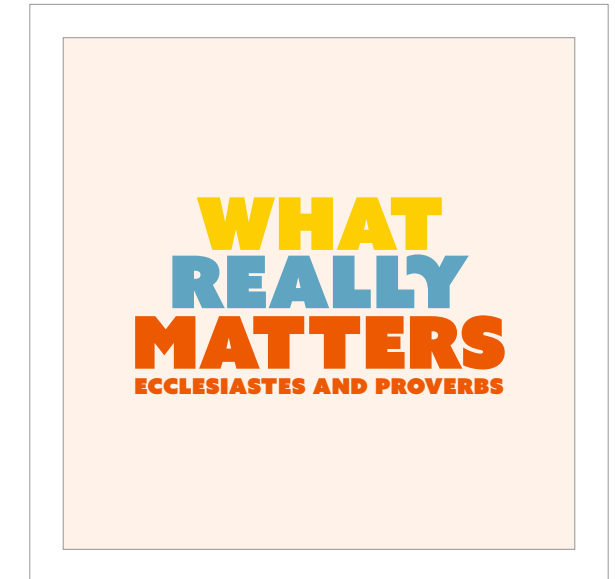
Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers are given in memory of Sue and Bill Edrington and Mary and Emmett Edrington by Susie and Buzzy Heroman, Leah and Billy Edrington and Lynn and Mark Edwards.

Scripture for Next Week: Proverbs 3: 1-8

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ORDER of WORSHIP

June 6, AD 2021
11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Jim Solomon

Prelude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” arranged by Paul Manz
Steve Gustafson, organ

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 145

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The LORD is good to all,
and his mercy is over all that he has made.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!

**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,
to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and kind in all his works.**

The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

**He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.**

The LORD preserves all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.

**My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

*Hymn of Praise

No. 10 “O Worship the King”

LYONS

*Blessing God

Scriptural Call to Confession

Psalm 130: 3-4

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.

*Standing

Prayer of Confession

We confess to you, LORD of all, that we have been afraid. The world seems daunting. We don't feel safe. Things fall apart. People explode in rage. We fear the next storm, and we expect something to go wrong. We have no peace. We also confess that we have feared everything except you. We have tried to figure it out ourselves. We have tried not to need you. We have pretended not to be accountable. It only makes us more frightened. You, LORD God, are the one with whom we have to do. You are the one who made us. To you we return. Before you we will stand. All will be known. So as we turn our gaze to you, we cry, “Have mercy! Regard us for the sake our brother, your Son, Jesus Christ.” In Christ alone is our peace and assurance. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103: 11-14

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

*Response

**Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, Faithful in love.
My debt is paid, and the victory won.
The Lord is my Salvation.**

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Offertory

“How Can I Keep From Singing?” by Robert Lowry
Arranged by Stan Pethel

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation;
I hear the sweet though distant hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging;
It sounds an echo in my soul; How can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest 'round me rears I know the truth it liveth;
What though the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging;
Since Christ is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble sick with fear and hear their death knells ringing;
When friends rejoice both far and near how can I keep from singing?
In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging;
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it;
And day by day this pathway smooths since first I learned to love it:
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing,
All things are mine since I am his, how can I keep from singing?

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. 92 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

BEECHER

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Ecclesiastes 12: 13-14

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

Proverbs 9: 10

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Proverbs 14: 26-27

In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence,
and his children will have a refuge.
The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life,
that one may turn away from the snares of death.

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

What Really Matters, Part 4: “Fear the LORD!”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection