



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

Variations on "Sine Nomine" no 5. Fugato by Richard Proulx



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.

Discover First from 3.30-5.15 Today. This is an opportunity for you, in a smaller setting, to learn more about how you can be part of our mission and ministry. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Meagan Greene (meagan@fpibr.org) or 225.454.2504)

Final Prayer for Our Nation Gathering Tonight. Jim Solomon invites you to the final meeting leading up to the elections. 5 pm in the Sanctuary.

Congregational Meeting and Election of Officers Next Sunday. The session has called a congregational meeting during our 9 and 11 am services on November 8 for the purpose of electing new elders and deacons. The officer nominating committee will place into nomination: **Elders:** Jamy Comeaux, Lynn Courtney, D.J. Davis, Mike Dorman, Linda Glisson, Chat Kleinpeter, David Kozan, Judy McGimsey, Keith Morris and Rick Naqvi. **Deacons:** Sarilyn Andes, Mitzi Barber, Paula Begnaud, Luke Breard, Nick Cagley, Ryan Castle, Jessica Conciene, Barbara Anne Eaton, Vince Gilcrease, Steve Hitt, Ben Hunter and Jordan Tupper.

Service of Healing and Hope Next Sunday. Join us November 8 from 4-5 pm in the Sanctuary as we pray for those who grieve over their lost unborn or infant children. Jim Solomon and Gerrit Dawson will lead this special service of healing and hope with the Foto Sisters leading the music.

Stewardship Dedication Sunday, November 15. Join us for this moving service when we dedicate our estimates of giving for the work of Christ through our church in 2021.

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Abby Johnson to Speak at Caring to Love Banquet. Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood executive whose views transformed the day she assisted an abortion, is speaking at the annual Caring to Love banquet, Thursday, November 12 at 7 pm at Baton Rouge Marriott Hotel. Tickets are available at ctlm.org. First Presbyterian has a limited number of deeply discounted tickets available for \$20. Please email Jaci Gaspard (jaci@fpibr.org) for info.

King Over Chaos: The Lordship of Christ in An Election Year. Gerrit's article on Christ's sovereignty in an election year on desiringgod.org posts tomorrow. Printed copies are available at the Connection Center. Printed copies are available at the Connection Center.

Angel Tree Angels. Angels arrive Sunday, November 15! Please stop by the Terraced Garden tent to receive the name of a child whose parent is incarcerated. You can bless them with Angel Tree gifts on behalf of their parent this Christmas. Angels are available only on November 15. Coordinator is Cheryl Brodnax, 678.2448.

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 are bleach, buckets, Damp Rid and baby diapers (sizes 4-6).

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 worshippers 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.

Adopt a teacher at Buchanan Elementary! Twenty teachers would love an encourager! Stop by the sign up table today in the Heritage room or contact Laura Shaw at laura@fpibr.org.

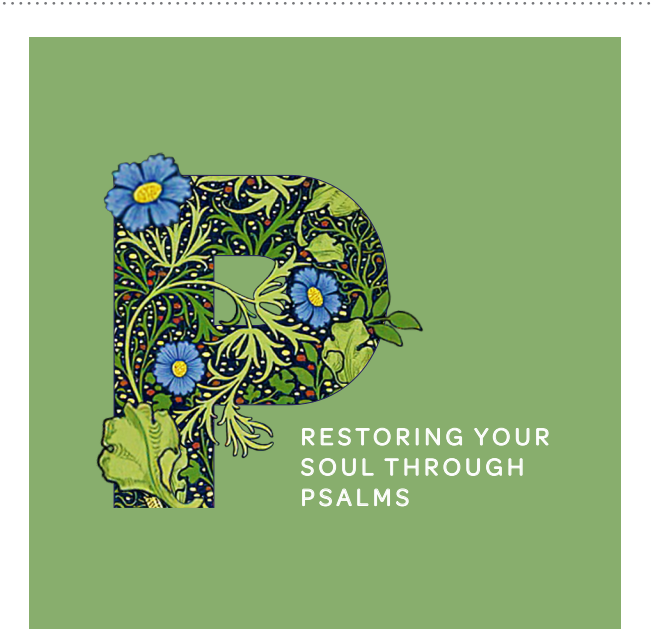
Give Online. Visit fpibr.org or go to the church app to make your gift online. You may also give through the U.S. mail. Email prayer@fpibr.org if you have online giving questions.

Did You Get One? This month's issue of fpcNEWS is now available at the Connection Center as well as other spots throughout the church. Pick one up before you leave today. Don't miss out on the most up-to-date news and events.

Sanctuary Flowers: *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Dean Glisson and Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Wesley McLean by Linda and Mike Glisson and family.*

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 30
Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.
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Thank you for your patience as our perimeter construction will require that some entrances may be closed on certain days over the next few weeks. Though normal entry through N. Boulevard is closed, it may be used in case of an emergency.



ORDER of WORSHIP

November 1, AD 2020

11 am

All Saints Sunday





GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Barry Phillips

Prelude

Variations on “Sine Nomine” no 4. Chorale by Richard Proulx
Steve Gustafson, organ

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 29 and 33, Exodus 19, Hebrews 1 and Isaiah 40

In the beginning . . . the LORD made the heavens and everything in them by his word.
The voice of the LORD is powerful. The voice of the LORD is majestic. Let all in his temple cry, “Glory!”

In the wilderness, God spoke on the mount promising to make us a treasured possession among all peoples if we would obey his voice.

The voice of the LORD is powerful. The voice of the LORD is majestic. Let all in his temple cry, “Glory!”

God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son . . . He is the radiance of the glory of God, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

The voice of the LORD is powerful. The voice of the LORD is majestic. Let all in his temple cry, “Glory!”

The glory of the LORD has been revealed, and all flesh shall one day see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The voice of the LORD is powerful. The voice of the LORD is majestic. Let all in his temple cry, “Glory!”

*Hymn of Praise

“Immortal, Invisible”

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*Blessing God

*Scriptural Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Oh Lord, what a marvel that you speak to us! The voices of the prophets speak in the Scriptures with their warnings and promises. You speak to us in many ways and with language that we can grasp. And yet . . . even when you contain the Word of your Power within the human body of your Son, we do not hear. We are without excuse. We cry out for mercy. Forgive us for covering our ears, refusing to listen, and then feigning ignorance. We would hear your voice and with clean lips cry, “Glory!” We make our prayer through the Word that became flesh and dwelt among us. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Standing

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response

**Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.**

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Anthem

“Psalm 29” from *The Book of Psalms for Singing*, music by Carolee Curtis Green

O give to Jehovah, you sons of the Mighty,
Both glory and strength to Jehovah accord!
O give to the LORD his name’s greatness of glory!
In splendor of holiness worship the LORD!
The voice of Jehovah resounds on the waters;
The glorious God thunders forth from the height.
The LORD is upon the great sweep of the waters,
The LORD’s voice in splendor!
The LORD’s voice in might!

The voice of Jehovah divides flames of lightning
And causes the fiery flashes to break!
And all of the length and the breadth of his temple
And all things within it his glory declare.
The LORD on his throne sat above the great flood!
The LORD on his throne sits and King without cease.
The LORD is the One who gives strength to his people.
The LORD is the One who will bless them with peace.

*Response Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Oh praise him, oh praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

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NETTLETON

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.
The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, “Glory!”

The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

These sacred writings are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.
For all Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, that the person of God may be complete, equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3: 15-17).

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson
“Ascribe!”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“For All the Saints” (vs. 1-2, 5-6)

SINE NOMINE

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer