



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“Psalm 30” from New Scottish Psalter

ST. COLUMBA

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Recognition of Veterans



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

Allegro from Divertimento in D by W. A. Mozart

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sarah Pipes Munson by Barabara Anne Eaton.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 32

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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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Requests. We’d love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be emailed (prayer@fpabr.org), sent through Facebook Live or by using the church app.

Foto Sisters at Service of Healing and Hope This Afternoon. Join us 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.

Abby Johnson to Speak at Caring to Love Banquet This Thursday. 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@fpabr.org) for info.

In One Week: Stewardship Dedication Sunday. Join us for this moving service when we dedicate our estimates of giving for the work of Christ through our church in 2021.

Contemplative Prayer Hour. Beginning November 16 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 will take place every other Monday. All are welcome to this refreshing, centering hour before the Lord and his Word. More information at fpabr.org.

King Over Chaos: The Lordship of Christ in An Election Year. Read Gerrit’s article on Christ’s sovereignty in an election year on desiringgod.org. A link is on our church homepage. Printed copies are available at the Connection Center.

Angels Arrive Next Sunday: One Day Only! 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. 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: 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.

Baptism Today. Congratulations to the Hart family. Connor Robert Hart was baptized at the 9 am service.

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



ORDER of WORSHIP

November 8, AD 2020

11 am



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GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Jamy Comeaux

Prelude

Andante Cantabile from String Quartet No. 1 by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Borislava Iltcheva, violin
Aaron Farrell, violin
Grant Bedillion, viola
Joy Bedillion, cello

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Isaiah 40: 27-31

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”? Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

*Hymn of Praise

“This Is My Father’s World”

TERRA BEATA

*Blessing God

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

To you, our healer and the lifter of our souls, we come. We confess that there have been times when we surrendered to faithless doubt and fear. At other times, with misplaced self-confidence, we proudly assumed that momentary bliss was permanent and deserved. Have mercy on us. We are thankful for the brief moments when, in your righteous anger, you discipline us as dearly loved children. We long to be your faithful people, praising you forever, and resting in your favor that fills all our moments. Amen.

Silent Confession

**Standing*

Assurance of Pardon

*Response

**My sin—O, the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin—not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

*Greeting

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

Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers

Pat Canfield

Minute for Stewardship

Chelsea and Chris Haskew

Announcements

Please place your offering in the baskets as you exit worship today.

Anthem

“Celtic Laud” by Pamela Martin and Craig Courtney

For fruit of the vine, for harvest of wheat,
For bread and for wine, the gift of your feast,
The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise,
O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

For dove in the sky, for wind in the trees,
For coal in the fire, your Spirit in me,
The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise,
O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

For springtime’s green earth, for morning’s first light,
For every new birth, for grace and for life,
The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise,
O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

*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

VILLE DU HAVRE

*Hymn of Preparation

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 30

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.
O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my prosperity,
“I shall never be moved.”

By your favor, O LORD,
you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.

To you, O LORD, I cry,
and to the LORD I plead for mercy:

“What profit is there in my death,
if I go down to the pit?

Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!
O LORD, be my helper!”

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth
and clothed me with gladness,
that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

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

“Joy Comes with the Morning”

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