

ORDER of WORSHIP

June 12, AD 2022 11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Jamy Comeaux

Prelude

"Come Thou Almighty King" arranged by Albert Travis Steve Gustafson, accompanist

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 66

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

How awesome are your deeds, O God! All the earth worships you and sings praises to you.

Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man. He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot.

There did we rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.

If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

*Hymn of Praise

No. 262 "Holy, Holy Holy"

NICAEA

*Blessing God

Prayer of Confession

From Common Worship

Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
We have sinned against you and against our neighbor
In what we have thought,
In what we have said and done,
Through ignorance, through weakness,
Through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
And marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed,
And repent of all our sins,
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Who died for us,
Forgive all that is past;
And lead us out from darkness
To walk as children of light, amen.

*Response PLAINFIELD

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Offertory

"Deep River" arranged by Mark Hayes Dedrian Hogan, tenor

Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground. Oh don't you want to go to that gospel feast, That promised land where all is peace?

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

*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 117 "We Come, O Christ, to You"

DARWALL

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Joshua 5: 1-15

As soon as all the kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan to the west, and all the kings of the Canaanites who were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of the Jordan for the people of Israel until they had crossed over, their hearts melted and there was no longer any spirit in them because of the people of Israel.

At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the sons of Israel a second time." So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the sons of Israel at Gibeath-haaraloth. And this is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the men of war, had died in the wilderness on the way after they had come out of Egypt. Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD swore to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey. So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way.

When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho. And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

When Joshua was by Jericho, he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man was standing before him with his drawn sword in his hand. And Joshua went to him and said to him, "Are you for us, or for our adversaries?" And he said, "No; but I am the commander of the army of the LORD. Now I have come." And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshiped and said to him, "What does my lord say to his servant?" And the commander of the LORD's army said to Joshua, "Take off your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

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
"The Power in the Pause"



Responding to the Word

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 379 "Take My Life and Let It Be" vs. 1, 3-6

HENDON

*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.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

"Hymn to Joy" arranged by Albert Travis



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 the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Discover First Dinner Today. Discover First Dinners are 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 Emily Viguerie (*emily@fpcbr.org* or 225.333.9084).

VBS Registration Closes This Thursday! VBS Jerusalem Marketplace is June 20-24. Registration is limited and closes Thursday, June 16. Visit *fpcbr.org/vbs* to register.

Collections for Colombia Mission Trip. Our short-term missions team is collecting supplies to bring with them to Casa Esther in Colombia. Donations of maternity and baby clothes, baby sleep sacks, swaddling blankets, lightly used tennis shoes, used laptops and other items would be greatly appreciated. The team is also accepting monetary donations to be used for purchasing supplies. We would also appreciate your prayers! Drop off your donations at the Connection Center and pick up a prayer guide while you're there. For more information or a complete list of needs, check the Connection Center or contact Kelly Wood (*kelly@fpcbr.org*).

I Have a Question: Counseling Edition. The Women's Ministry's Summer Luncheon is Wednesday, June 29 at 11 am. Join us for a time of fellowship and thoughtful discussion led by, Sherry Kadair, Director of the Christian Counseling Center. Lunch prepared by Elsie's Plate and Pie. Details online at *fpcbr.org*.

Give Meaning to Your 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.

Combined Services in July. Each Sunday in July we will gather and worship together in one, grand 10.30 am service. All three regular services resume Sunday, August 7.

Prayer Time. Join us at 10.15 am for prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building) each Sunday. One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you. Prayer time will be at 11.30 am each Sunday in July.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Lindley Spaht Dodson on the occasion of her 45th birthday on June 30, by Susan and Frederic Billings.

Scripture for Next Week: Joshua 6: 12-21

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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