



ORDER *of* WORSHIP

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May 15, AD 2022  
11 am



## GATHERING TO PRAISE

*Assisting with Worship: Colton Underwood*

### **Prelude**

*Allegro spiritoso* from String Quartet No. 12 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Borislava Iltcheva, violin

Aaron Farrell, violin

Grant Bedillion, viola

Joy Bedillion, cello

### **\*Call to Worship**

*From Psalm 27*

The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?

**The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?**

Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear;

**Though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.**

One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

**To gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and seek him in his temple.**

For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;

**He will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.**

Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy;

**I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

**Wait for the LORD; be strong, take heart, and wait for the LORD.**

### **\*Hymn of Praise**

No. 97 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

CORONATION

### **\*Blessing God**

### **Scriptural Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**We hear about Moses and Joshua. How you reassured and encouraged them. You promised to be with them always. We have one greater than Moses. We have Christ, the true mediator of the covenant and commander of heaven’s army. But like Israel at the borders of the Promised Land, we question, hesitate and falter. Have mercy on us, O God. Embolden us by the continual presence and promise of your Holy Spirit that we might expand the boundaries of your unshakable kingdom. Amen.**

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

### \*Response

NETTLETON

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take a seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

### \*Greeting and Announcements

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

## Offertory

"Psalm 92" from *Psalm Trilogy* by Srul Irving Glick

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

Mizmor shir l'yom hashabbat.  
Tov l'hodot L' adonai.  
Ulzamer l'shimcha elyon.  
L'hagid boboker chasdecha,  
Veemunat' cha baleilot.  
AleI asor valei navel,  
AleI higayon b' chinor.

A psalm, a song for the Sabbath day.  
How good it is to give thanks to you O Lord.  
How good it is to sing praises to your name,  
O Most High.  
How good it is to sing praises to your kindness O Lord,  
to sing and play on the ten-stringed lute and the harp.

### \*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.

### \*Prayer of Dedication



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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### \*Hymn of Preparation

No. 51 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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### Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

*Joshua 1: 1-9*

After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

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

Darin Travis

"Be Strong!"



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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### Time of Reflection

### \*Hymn of Response

"Almost Home"



## LORD'S SUPPER

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### 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

**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.**

#### 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

#### Instrumental Communion Meditation

"Let Me Weep" by George Frideric Handel



## BENEDICTION

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#### \*Response

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

#### Postlude

*Presto* from String Quartet No. 12 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**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 [fpibr.org/connect](http://fpibr.org/connect).

**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@fpibr.org](mailto:prayer@fpibr.org), through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

**Family Worship Night.** Joyful Noise choir invites you to an evening of worship tonight at 6 pm in the Reception Room. Join us as we celebrate the God who makes dry bones come to life! A reception follows.

**Single Memorial Day Service.** We will have one combined service on May 29 at 10.30 am in the Sanctuary. There will be no Sunday school.

**Colton Underwood Ordination.** Join us in celebrating Colton Underwood's ordination as part of our single 10.30 am service on Sunday, May 29. Reception to follow.

**Connecting with Internationals.** The International Friendship Partners (IFP) team welcomes and loves internationals in Baton Rouge. Through hospitality we build bridges of friendship, trust and mutual respect while sharing the love of Christ. All are invited to the Friday, May 27 meeting at David, LeeAnn & Katherine Kozan's (3565 Cole Dr.), 7-9 pm.

**A Night of Psalms, Praise and Prayer!** Join us on the evening of Sunday, June 5 at 5 pm in the Sanctuary as we come together with Abounding Love Ministries for an evening of worship. No offering, no sermon, no promotions. Reception to follow.

**First Presbyterian Receives VIPS Apple Award.** Congratulations to the over 50 FPC volunteers who support the students and teachers at Buchanan Elementary School. Volunteers in Public Schools recently recognized First Presbyterian Church with the Golden Apple Award for its long-time community partnership and the many ways it serves the school.

**Jerusalem Marketplace VBS!** Join us in an immersive VBS experience June 20-24. Registration is limited and closes June 16. Visit [fpibr.org/vbs](http://fpibr.org/vbs) to register.

**Lake Forest Ranch.** Dates for Lake Forest Ranch elementary camp are July 18-22. Registration is now online at [fpibr.org/camp](http://fpibr.org/camp).

**Meal Ministry Needs Volunteers.** First Presbyterian's Meal Ministry provides meals and welcoming hospitality to those in need. A focus is placed on developing a sense of community among our members, guests and partner ministries as we live out our mission to go deeper in Christ and further into the world. Please contact Emily Viguerie to volunteer to prepare and deliver a meal ([emily@fpibr.org](mailto:emily@fpibr.org)).

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**Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers:** *The Chapel and Sanctuary flowers serve to honor a departed loved one or celebrate with thanksgiving cherished people or events. If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 603.4735.*

**Scripture for Next Week:** *Joshua 2: 1-9*  
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