



## INTERCESSION

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**



## BENEDICTION

**\*Song of Response**

“Because He Lives (Amen)”

**\*Response**

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



## 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](http://fpcbr.org/connect).

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

**Youth Meeting at 10.10 am.** All youth parents are invited to join the Youth Ministry team at a meeting in the gym. Come meet Colton, our new director, and hear what's planned for the kids this year. Breakfast served!

**Stay-Treat This Weekend.** The First Presbyterian “Stay-Treat” August 20-21 will feature three dynamic presentations by an expert in Critical Theory. Dr. Neil Shenvi brings the rigor of his background in theoretical chemistry along with his unique ability to present complex issues clearly. Read more about Neil at [shenviapologetics.com](http://shenviapologetics.com). Please plan to join us for The Deeper Challenge in Cancel Culture. We can't afford not to understand what's going on in our current cultural conversations. Register online at [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org).

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**Like to Bake?** Consider entering the Cobbler Contest for our Stay-Treat! Bring a cobbler of your choice in a 9x13 disposable foil tray to the gym by 7.30 pm on Friday, August 20 (Contest begins at 8.30 pm). There will be a prize for the winner and runner-up! Sign up on the website or by contacting Jaime Carnaggio ([jaime@fpcbr.org](mailto:jaime@fpcbr.org)).

**Come Back to Sunday School!** Join one of our four adult Sunday school options: Kevin McCarter teaching on Romans (EB 202 at 9 am), Ryan Dickerson teaching on the Gospel of Mark (SB 220 at 10.10 am), Jeff Swarner teaching on church history (SB 219 at 10.10 am) and Barry Phillips teaching on the Gospel of John (EB 202 at 10.10 am).

**Small Groups Forming Now.** Groups will come in all shapes and sizes: married or single, coed, men or women, live or virtual, weekly or every other week. Topics will be either 1 Thessalonians or a Ray Vander Laan study. Contact Kelly Wood ([kelly@fpcbr.org](mailto:kelly@fpcbr.org)) to join or lead a group.

**The Governor Has Instituted an Indoor Mask Mandate.** Romans 13: “Let every person be subject to the governing authorities.” It's not fun, but it's what's called for! We'll be masking during worship, Sunday school and indoor gatherings. We expect to bear this inconvenience cheerfully, resting in the guidance of the law and praying that the pandemic abates. Masks are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

**Buchanan Elementary School Supplies** are being collected at the Connection Center.

**Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers:** *The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nora Will Diehl and Joan Diehl Smith, grandmother and mother of Cathy Pugsley, by David, Cathy and Catherine Pugsley.*

**Scripture for Next Week:** 2 Corinthians 5: 15

*Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.*

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August 15, AD 2021

9 am



## GATHERING TO PRAISE

*Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis*

### \*Welcome and Call to Worship

*From 1 Corinthians 15*

Behold! I tell you a mystery.

**We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.**

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

**For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable.**

So this mortal body must put on the imperishable,

**Death is swallowed up in victory!**

**Thanks be to God who gives us this victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

### \*Songs of Praise

“Behold Your God”

“10,000 Reasons”

### \*Blessing God

### \*Song of Praise

“All I Have Is Christ”



## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### \*Greeting and Announcements

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

*\*Standing*

### Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

*1 Corinthians 15: 19-26*

If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

*Hebrews 2: 14-16*

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.

*Revelation 1: 17b-18*

But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”

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

Questions You Can't Solve by Yourself, Part 3:

“What About Death?”



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### Time of Reflection

### \*Song of Response

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

*Please place your offering and prayer requests in the baskets.*

### Scriptural Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**How grateful we are, O Lord and Source of life, that you keep your covenant promises to the children of Abraham from generation to generation. When we hear that you have shared in our sufferings, we are humbled. When we hear that by your death you have freed us from the fear of the grave, we are astounded. We are ashamed to admit that too many times we have chosen to remain paralyzed by fear and uncertainty. We have falsely imagined, like the children of Israel in the wilderness, that our times are more secure when we are captives of the evil one. Have mercy on us, we pray. Holy Spirit, place our hearts into the nail scarred hands that hold the keys to death and grave. Renew us with a foretaste of that day when death is swallowed up in victory. Amen.**

### Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon