

Communion Meditation

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”



BENEDICTION

*Song of Response

“O Church Arise”

*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.

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.

MDO and Preschool Registration for 2022-2023 opens for our church members on Monday, January 24. Contact Whitney Weiner at mdo@fpcbr.org or 225.620.0245 for more information.

Discover First Dinner January 30. Discover First Dinners are an opportunity to learn more about the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church in a smaller setting. Our next dinner is Sunday, January 30. Please contact Jaci Gaspard to RSVP (jaci@fpcbr.org).

“God in Skin and Time: Jesus As Beloved Son” is a Christmas article by Gerrit published on desiringgod.org. Hard copies are available at the Connection Center.

Loving Our rEcess Families!! Once a month volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate in monthly rEcess (jess.concienne@gmail.com or 225.892.3212).

Need a Pastor After Hours? Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

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

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Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 1

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ORDER of WORSHIP

January 2, AD 2022

9 am

The 9th Day of Christmas



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Whitney Alexander

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Songs of Praise

“Good, Good Father”

“Your Love Awakens Me”

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

“King of Kings”

*Standing

Greeting and Announcements

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

Please bring your prayer requests and offerings forward during communion.



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Luke 10: 38-42

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

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

Jim Solomon

“A New Year A True You”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Another Christmas has passed, dear Father. Did it pass us by? We were so busy with comings and goings. We were so laden with gift-giving and so full of indulgence. Our expectations were so high; our love and kindness so lacking. We heard the story and sang the songs, but our minds were often elsewhere. Forgive us! Grant that this day, before it is too late and Christmas is gone, we may see the Christ-child and know him as our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon



LORD'S SUPPER

We Are Welcomed to the Table

We Give Thanks for Jesus' Mighty Acts

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We Hear the Words Jesus Said at Supper

We Commune With Jesus