Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon



Pastoral Prayer

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.



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*Song of Response

"Amen"

*Response

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

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Henry G. McKowen II, Mr. & Mrs. Alex C. McKowen, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frank Woodford, Jolie Thuneman Peel and Jolie Berry by Jeanie McKowen Thuneman, Wayne McKowen, Ann McKowen Gerald and Allie McKowen.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 25: 1-7 Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed. All songs used by permission: CCLI license #207235.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Connect Card in 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 emailed (*prayer@fpcbr.org*), sent through Facebook Live or by using the church app.

Blood Drive, Next Sunday. The LifeShare blood mobile will be in the church parking lot Sunday, October 4 from 8 am to 1 pm. We ask that you please sign up in advance at *fpcbr.org*. Please be patient the day of the drive. You will wait in your car until you receive a text telling you it's your turn.

Prayer for Our Nation. Jim Solomon invites you to a series of prayer meetings the 5 Sundays leading up to the November 3 elections. This will take place at 5 pm in the Sanctuary October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1.

"Distan-SING" Has Been Rescheduled. We want to sing for you! With the music of Sondheim, Bernstein, Verdi and others we'll comment on these challenging times. We'll ask some important questions. We'll laugh a bit and reassure you with the hopefulness that beautiful music can rouse. Join us Thursday, October 8 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary or via livestream.

Hurricane Relief Opportunities. FPC is collecting relief items as well as making weekly trips to assist. Meet in the church parking lot at 6.30 am Wednesdays and Saturdays. Visit *fpcbr.org* for details or contact Whitney Alexander (*whitney@fpcbr.org* or 225.810.2607). Bring work gloves.

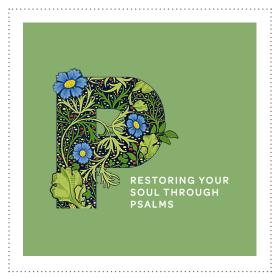
Three Inter-generational Adult S.S. Options at 10.10 am. Isaiah Study: Reception room. Political Ideologies: EB 202. Psalms: Dunham Chapel.

Couples' Workshop, October 16 & 17. Baton Rouge Christian Counseling Center is offering a couples' workshop Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17 in the Reception room. Please visit *brchristiancounseling.com* for more information.

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ORDER of WORSHIP

September 27, AD 2020 9 am



Assisting Pastor: Jim Solomon

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 24, Acts 1 and 1 John

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? Will he at this time restore the kingdom to his chosen ones?

The King answers, saying, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses." The Holy Spirit has come. We have been given clean hands and pure hearts.

We receive this blessing from the Lord. We seek the face of the God of Jacob.

We receive righteousness from the God of our salvation. We throw open the gates of our hearts that the King of Glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

Jesus, our elder brother, the glorious and resurrected one. He is the King of Glory. He who ascended into heaven will return in the same manner and we shall be like him for we shall see him as he is.

*Songs of Praise

"Like Incense"

"Who You Say I Am"

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

"Great Are You Lord"



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Psalm 24

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.

He will receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

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 "Be Lifted Up"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Song of Response

"Psalm 24" from the New Scottish Psalter

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

To you, Great I AM, belong all things. Such a mighty king you are! Yet you are also a gentle king whose thorny crown meant the shedding of your blood for our sin. You would lead us upward in your royal procession to the very gates of your glorious Kingdom. But we resist. We descend. We have behaved like citizens of this world. We have shut the gates of our hearts. Have mercy on us. Holy Spirit, help us to throw open the doors of our hearts that the King of Glory may come in. Amen.