



ORDER OF WORSHIP

**January 22, AD 2023
11 am**



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting with Worship: Jamy Comeaux

Prelude

IV Movement from Six Studies on English Folk Songs by Ralph Vaughan Williams

Rachel Reese-Kollmeyer, violin

Steve Gustafson, organ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Psalm 69

Let us praise the name of God with a song; let us magnify him with thanksgiving.

This will please the LORD more than an ox or a bull with horns and hoofs.

When the humble see it they will be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive.

For the LORD hears the needy and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.

Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them.

For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah.

And people shall dwell there and possess it;

The offspring of his servants shall inherit it, and those who love his name shall dwell in it.

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 108 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

***Blessing God**

***Scriptural Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Zeal for the kingdoms of the air has consumed us. We have passionately made our plans to fulfill our desire for wealth. Our focus has been here and now. Believing our security to be in bricks and mortar, we have not sought you, O LORD. Nor have we sought after the interests of your kingdom. You are not surprised by our confession for you know the contents of all hearts. Forgive us, we pray. Spirit of God, by and through our belief in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, cleanse our hearts that we may be devoted to him alone. Amen.

***Silent Confession**

**Standing*

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response**

Who is like the Lord, our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love, my debt is paid and the victory won.
The Lord is my salvation!

***Greeting and Announcements**

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

Offertory

"Lord of the Dance" arranged by Christopher Phillips

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

***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

***Hymn of Preparation**

No. 382 "Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

John 2: 13-25

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

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

“Get Out”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 117 “We Come, O Christ, to You”

DARWALL



LORD’S SUPPER

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

Please come forward to receive communion.

Communion Meditation

“Jesus Paid It All/O Sacred Head Now Wounded” arranged by Brant Adams



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

Selections from “Scottish Fantasy” by Max Bruch

Prayer Time: Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building). One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Norwood, Jr. and Larry Charles Musgrove, Sr. by Chrystal Norwood Musgrove and family.

Scripture for Next Week: John 3: 1-15

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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.

Next Sunday! Discover First Dinner. This is 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).

Stay-Treat Early Bird Special. A stellar team of mystery presenters will lead us to consider 5 treasures of the person of Jesus revealed in John. Join us Friday night, February 3 and Saturday morning, February 4. There's even a kids track! Early bird special expires at midnight Tuesday, January 24. Use the QR code below or visit fpcbr.org to register.

Fly-Fishing Trip Dates Confirmed. Men's Ministry has confirmed March 2-5 for a Fly-Fishing Spiritual retreat. Details and registration online at fpcbr.org.

High School Seniors Class with Gerrit. Starting next Sunday, January 22, Gerrit will hold his world-famous senior Sunday school classes. These classes will take place in Gerrit's office each Sunday from January 22 to February 12. All high school seniors are invited.

Daughters of the King, January 22. The Daughters of the King Ministry desires to build community for single/divorced women in pursuit of a God-ordained identity for hope and abundance in the Lord. Please contact Sara Green Mele or Melissa Miley for more information. The next meeting is Sunday, January 22 from 5-6.30 pm in the Library. Dinner will be provided!

Introducing The Bridge! We are excited to announce The Bridge, a new young adult Sunday school class for ages 18-23. Katherine and Jade Tomeny invite all young adults to a launch party Saturday, January 28 at 6 pm at their home (9924 Foster Rd.).

Mother's Day Out Registration. Church member families may register beginning Monday, January 23. Please contact Whitney Weiner for more information (mdo@fpcbr.org or 225.620.0245).

Mentor & Prayer Partner Appreciation Month. Kids Hope USA wishes to honor and thank you for pouring into children at Gardere Community Christian School. The kids and teachers so appreciate the difference you make! Additional mentors are needed. Please contact Annette Lamond (annette@fpcbr.org) for information on how to become a mentor.

Lost and Found Clean Out. It's time to clean out the Lost and Found box in the Sanctuary building. Please be sure to check for your lost items by the end of January. Any unclaimed items will be "shared" with the Purple Cow or thrown away.

Glorious Christmas Offering. You contributed over \$77,000 to our Christmas offering for city ministry! The Christian Outreach Center and Gardere Community Christian School send their heartfelt thanks for your contributions.



Stay-Treat Code



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