



SERVICE OF INSTALLATION  
FOR REV. SCOTT GRAHAM

November 20, AD 2022 11 am





# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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*Assisting Pastor: Whitney Alexander*

## **Prelude**

“We Gather Together” arranged by James Curnow  
Blake Hanna, trumpet  
Steve Gustafson, accompanist

## **Welcome**

## **\*Call to Worship**

*From Psalm 100*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!  
**Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his;  
**We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!  
**Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

For the LORD is good;  
**His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

## **\*Hymn of Praise**

No. 64 “All Creatures of Our God and King” (vs. 1, 2, 5)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

## **\*Blessing God**

## **Infant Baptism**

Anna Adele “Addie” Mericas  
Parents are Laura and Christopher Mericas  
Brother is James Mericas  
Sponsoring Elder is Brett Furr

## **\*Affirmation of Faith**

*The Apostles’ Creed*

## \*Greeting and Announcements

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

## Offertory

"We Shall Walk through the Valley in Peace" arranged by Moses Hogan  
Dedrian Hogan, conductor

*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

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## \*Hymn of Preparation

No. 493 "It Is Well with My Soul" (vs. 1, 2, 4)

VILLE DU HAVRE

## Prayer for Illumination

## Scripture

*1 Peter 5: 6-11*

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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

"After a Little While"

## Time of Reflection

### \*Hymn of Response

No. 43 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (vs. 1 & 3)

FAITHFULNESS



## 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

#### Communion Meditation

"Be Thou My Vision" arranged by James Curnow



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The Presbytery Commission to Install Rev. Scott Emerson Woodson Graham  
as Associate Pastor:

Gerrit Dawson, Teaching Elder, First Presbyterian  
Whitney Alexander, Teaching Elder, First Presbyterian  
Henry Beck, Ruling Elder, Faith Presbyterian, Covington  
Kyle Nickerson, Ruling Elder, River Community  
Kyle Beall, Ruling Elder, First Presbyterian

Introduction to Installation ..... Gerrit Dawson

Questions to the Candidate ..... Barry Phillips

Questions to the Congregation ..... Kyle Nickerson

Prayer of Installation ..... Gerrit Dawson

Charge to the Pastor ..... Whitney Alexander

Charge to the Congregation ..... Henry Beck

**\*Benediction and Response** ..... The Reverend Scott Graham

**Postlude**

“Echoes of Joy” by Hans-André Stamm



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 [fpcbr.org/connect](https://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 the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

**Reception for Scott Graham.** Join us today in celebrating Scott Graham's installation in the Reception Room after worship this morning.

**Giving Update.** We've had a wonderful response to 2023 stewardship. We'll announce some figures soon. But we want everyone to have a chance to participate! Please prayerfully make your giving dedication soon. You may access the online dedication form by scanning this QR code or use the pew rack card.



**Thanksgiving Worship with Abounding Love Tonight!** Sunday, November 20 at 5 pm at Abounding Love Ministries.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Angels Are Here!** Please stop by the Connection Center to receive the name of a child whose parent is incarcerated. You can bless them with Angel Tree gifts on behalf of their parent this Christmas. If you have questions, please contact Angel Tree Coordinator, Ryan Castle, at 225.773.4769.

**Live Nativity in Two Weeks!** Baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, angels, wise men and shepherds will re-enact Jesus' birth. Join us Friday, December 2 at 5.30 and 6.30 pm in the Terraced Garden.

**Men's Skeet Shoot!** All men are invited to a skeet shoot Saturday, December 3. Registration and details are now online at [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org). The cost for those who plan to shoot is \$60 (includes clays). The cost for non-shooters is \$15. Scan the QR code or visit [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org) for details.



**Women's Brunch Celebrating Mary's Magnificat.** Please join us for the Women's Ministry Advent Brunch Saturday, December 10, 11 am to 1 pm. We will enjoy food, fellowship and a special devotion led by Ashley Beck focusing on Mary's powerful Song of Praise in Luke 1. Scan the QR code or visit [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org) for details. Cost is \$10.



**A Fond Farewell!** All middle and high school students are invited to join us in the Gym from 5 to 7 pm December 4 to celebrate Paula Walker's time with us. Dress up as a Colorado snow skier to celebrate how much Paula has meant to us during her time in Baton Rouge!

**Christmas Poinsettia Orders.** All are invited to contact Sherry in the church office (387.0617 or [sherry@fpcbr.org](mailto:sherry@fpcbr.org)) to purchase a poinsettia in memory or celebration of a loved one. Poinsettias are used to decorate the Chapel and Sanctuary. \$35 each. Please place your order by Sunday, December 11.

**Christmas Bags for Malachi Dads.** Items are being collected for Christmas bags to be distributed to the Malachi Dads (prisoners) at Angola Penitentiary. Please consider making a donation and dropping it off at the Connection Center: soap, antiperspirant, toothpaste/toothbrush, shampoo, lotion, body wash, socks or baby powder. Cash donations also accepted.

**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 by Ann K. Gregorie to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Florence and Mack Gregorie and to honor of her dear Aunt, Nita K. Harris.

Scripture for Next Week: Ruth 1

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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