



ORDER *of* WORSHIP

July 17, AD 2022
10.30 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

Prelude

I. Allegro from Divertimento No. 3 in F Major by W. A. Mozart

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

***Hymns of Praise**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

EIN' FESTE BURG

“Bless the Lord, My Soul”

***Blessing God**

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response**

“Come, Ye Sinners”

***Greeting and Announcements**

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

Offertory

“No More Night” by Walter S. Harrah

The timeless theme, Earth and Heaven will pass away.
It's not a dream, God will make all things new that day;
Gone is the curse from which I stumbled and fell.
Evil is banished to eternal hell.

No more night, no more pain;
No more tears, never crying again;
And praises to the great, “I AM.”
We will live in the light of the risen Lamb.

See all around, all the nations bow down to sing;
The only sound is the praises to Christ, our King.
Slowly the names from the book are read.
I know the King. There's no need to dread!

See over there, there's a mansion prepared just for me.
Where I will live with my Savior eternally. There will be no more night!

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

“Speak, O Lord”

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 11: 1-4

Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” And he said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.
And lead us not into temptation.”

Sermon

George Gillam

“Lord Teach Us to Pray”

Welcome back Pastor George Gillam! We're so pleased George will bring us a message from God's Word this morning. While serving a quarter century in Angola Prison, George became a Christian, earned a seminary degree and became a leader in the Malachi Dads Bible study and discipleship program. Since his release in 2020, George has dedicated himself to working with at-risk youth in our city. He lives in North Baton Rouge and lives to be a loving witness for Christ there. He works with the Steadfast Foundation, “a movement of local individuals, businesses, and non-profit organizations committed to addressing the effects of poverty in our city.”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“Almost Home”

Pastoral 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.



BENEDICTION

*Response

Postlude

III. Presto from Divertimento No. 3 in F Major by W. A. Mozart

Borislava Ilcheva, violin

Aaron Farrell, violin

Grant Bedillion, viola

Joy Bedillion, cello

Sanctuary Flowers: *Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Melissa and Mike Thibodeaux.*

Scripture for Next Week: *Ephesians 2: 11-22*

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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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.

Stay for Fellowship Today. Stay after worship for sips & sweets in the Reception Room.

Parents' Day Out, July 24. Please join us after the combined service July 24, 12-2 pm, for food, games and great fellowship. We also will have activities and entertainment for kids ages birth through middle school so you can relax and enjoy. There is no charge to attend Parents' Day Out. We do, however, ask that you register at fpcbr.org by Wednesday, July 20 so we can order enough food.

Officer Suggestions for the 2025 Class. The Officer Nominating Committee nominates Elders and Deacons by receiving suggested names of members from the congregation, prayerfully preparing a slate and presenting the slate at the annual October congregational meeting for election. Please be in prayer about who you might suggest. Please make your suggestions by July 31. Cards are available in the pew racks as well as online at fpcbr.org.

IFP Social July 29. The International Friendship Partners (IFP) team welcomes and loves internationals in Baton Rouge. Through hospitality, we build bridges of friendship, trust and mutual respect while sharing the love of Christ. All are invited to a social Friday, July 29 in the Gastinel home (765 River Road, Sunshine, LA) at 6.30 pm.

Meeting of the Corporation. On behalf of the church trustees, the session calls for a meeting of the Corporation of the First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge during worship at 10.30 am, July 31, 2022. The purpose of the meeting is to act on the recommendation that Amanda Vincent be elected as a trustee of the Corporation and to engage any other matters of the Corporation. (Active members of the congregation are active members of the Corporation. Only those physically present may vote).

Crazy in Love: Women's Bible Study. How does God really see me, personally? I know he LOVES me, but does he LIKE me? This Women's Ministry summer study explores several passages that give evidence of God's relentless love and affection for us. We meet each Wednesday in July from 6.30 to 8 pm in Dunham Chapel. Fellowship at 6.15 pm.

Three Service Worship Schedule Resumes August 7. We continue with our single 10.30 am worship service throughout the month of July (no Sunday school). Our regular three service schedule (7.45, 9 and 11 am) resumes Sunday, August 7. Sunday School resumes August 14.

Free Books! The pastors have been spring cleaning and have made some books available for the taking. Please help yourself to any of the books on the large table in the Parlor.

Celebrating Our 50+ Members. On July 31, as part of worship, we will honor all who have been members of First Presbyterian Church for 50+ years. Join us for this celebration and for a reception after worship that Sunday.



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