

1 PETER

**DRAWING TODAY
FROM AN
ETERNAL INHERITANCE**

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

October 16, AD 2022

11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Barry Phillips

Prelude

Choral Prelude on “Duke Street” arranged by Robert Powell

Steve Gustafson, organ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Psalm 33

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise from the upright is beautiful.
Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp!

Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.
For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.
The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.
Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,

That he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.
Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.
Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 267 “Come Thou Almighty King”

ITALIAN HYMN

***Blessing God**

***Scriptural Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

O God, we long for the good life and many days living it. But we have willfully ignored the clear path to the blessed life we seek. For we have not kept our tongues from speaking lies. We have not turned away from evil. We have not sought peace. We have not honored you in our hearts. We have not lived in hope, nor have we shown to others that our union with Christ has the power to keep us hopeful in every circumstance. Have mercy upon us and forgive us. For Jesus’ sake, turn your eyes upon us and hear our prayer. Amen.

**Standing*

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response

GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

*Greeting and Announcements

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

Offertory

"In His Hands" by Tim Osiek

He's got the whole world, the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world, all people, all lands in his hands.
In time of doubt and fear, remember, God is near
With calm assurance that is here, in his hands.

He's got the sun and moon in his hands.
He's got the wind and rain at his command.
When it's more than you can bear, know God's strong arm is there
With all the power, love and care in his hands.

Gentle power, loving strength, always holding me
Healing touch, tender care and amazing grace.
What do I have to fear when he holds me near
And I'm safely here in his hands!

He's got you and me in his hands.
He's got all of us as only he can, in his hands.
In the darkness I can see God reaching out to me
To know forever I will be, in his hands.

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

“Rejoice”

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

1 Peter 3: 8-17

Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. For

“Whoever desires to love life
and see good days,
let him keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from speaking deceit;
let him turn away from evil and do good;
let him seek peace and pursue it.
For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer.
But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

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

Darin Travis

“Called to Bless”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 347 “Be Still, My Soul”

FINLANDIA



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

Meditation

"In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified" arranged by Fred Bock

This morning we will come forward to receive communion. Ushers will direct worshipers.



BENEDICTION

*Response

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

Postlude

"Caprice" arranged by Richard Purvis



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and Prayer Requests. 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 may be sent to prayer@fpcbr.org, through the church app or by using a pew prayer card

Kirkin' O' the Tartans, Sunday, October 30. Wear your plaids, your kilts and your tweeds as we celebrate the Scottish roots of our Presbyterian faith on Reformation Sunday with one 10 am service October 30. After worship, all are invited to enjoy brunch and live music. A love offering will be taken for brunch.

Marriage Seminar. FPC will host Dee and Pete Adams leading Created for Connection, a seminar for married couples, Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22. Past participants describe the weekend as “enlightening, encouraging, revealing, hopeful, powerful, safe, loving and renewing.” Sign up at createdforconnectionbr.com. Use the code FPC and your fee will be reduced to \$150.

Women's Self Defense and Awareness Class. Former BRPD Chief of Police and Security Training consultant, Greg Phares, will conduct a women's self-defense training class October 25 from 6 to 8 pm in our Reception Room. This is an opportunity to learn more about your own safety and protection and how to effectively respond to a bad situation. This is at no cost and provided by your Security Response Team. No registration required. Friends are welcome!

Jesus, Only Jesus: What *Christ Alone* Really Means. Gerrit's new article for desiringgod.org appears Tuesday, October 18 as part of a focus on the Reformed Faith. Hard copies are available at the Connection Center.

Daughters of the King Meet Today. The Daughters of the King Ministry desires to build community for single/divorced women as we pursue our God-ordained identity for hope and abundance in the Lord. We will meet today from 5-7 pm in the Bride's Room. Dinner will be provided! Contact Sara Green Mele or Melissa Miley for more information.

Youth Ministry Today! Middle school meets tonight at the church from 5 to 6.30 pm. High school will meet at the Fabres' (5700 Sandalwood) from 6 to 7.30 pm. Both groups will continue their study on 1 and 2 Peter.

IFP “Falloween” Social. All are invited to this month's fall themed International Friendship Partners (IFP) social Friday, October 28 at Rosemary and Kyle Beall's (1452 Glenmore Ave.) from 6 to 8 pm. Come help us warmly welcome internationals to Baton Rouge.

37th Annual Celebrate Life Banquet and Gala. This year's Caring to Love Banquet and Gala features actor and film producer Kirk Cameron as the keynote speaker. Contact Jaci if you'd like a seat at the First Presbyterian table (jaci@fpcbr.org). The banquet will be held Thursday, November 3 at 7 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: *Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Will Dixon by Shea and Tim Firnberg and Sharon Dixon.*

Scripture for Next Week: 1 Peter 3: 18-22
Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.
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