

REJOICING IN THE LORD ORDER of WORSHIP September 14, AD 2025 9 am



### GATHERING TO PRAISE

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### \*Welcome and Call to Worship

Inspired by Philippians 2

Paul tells the Philippians to put into practice the grace they have received. They are to work out in their own lives all the implications of salvation in Christ.

Because it is the triune God himself who is at work in his people! The Father has sent us Jesus his Son. The Spirit has joined us to Jesus. So we are in Christ! We live now for him.

So what is the first work of a saved people? To worship! Liturgy means "the work of the people." It's what we believers do in worship.

We tell the story. We hymn our Savior with beautiful words. We confess our sins and receive his forgiveness. We present ourselves before God as ready servants, eager to be part of his mission. It all begins by rising to open our hearts and lift our voices as an offering of praise.

So then beloved bride of Christ, raise a joyful song!

# \*Songs of Praise

"Jesus the Mighty One"
"Christus Victor"

# \*Blessing God

# \*Song of Praise

"The King in All His Beauty"

### **Infant Baptisms**

Lucille Taylor Anderson Parents are Kalyn and Luke Anderson Siblings are Ollie and Andie Sponsoring Elder is Hank Mills

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

From Philippians 2

Christ Jesus was in the form of God,
But he did not count equality with God
A thing to be grasped.
Rather, he emptied himself.
He took the form of a servant,
Being born in the likeness of men.
And being found in human form,
He humbled himself by becoming obedient
To the point of death, even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted him and
Bestowed on him the name that is above every name,
So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
In heaven and on earth and under the earth,
And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.

## \*Greeting and Announcements

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.



#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

#### Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is excellent, think about these things.

What you have learned and received and heard, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you (from Philippians 4:8-9).

#### Sermon

Gerrit Dawson
"The Problem and the Power of the 'J' Word"



# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### **Time of Reflection**

## \*Song of Response

"Holy Forever"

Please place your offering and prayer requests in the baskets.



### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer



\*Song of Response

"I Know a Name"

## \*Response

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

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry Johnson by his wife LaNelle Johnson, and their daughters Debra Matthews, Joy Pennington and Jeri J. Cochran.

Scripture for Next Week: Philippians 2:12-18

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome!** We're so glad you could join us today. Each week we seek to press deeper into Christ and then follow his lead to go further into the world with his love. As part of that mission, we'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to *prayer@fpcbr.org* or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Ladies' Night of Testimony & Fellowship. Join us Thursday, September 18 from 6 to 8.30 pm for an evening of testimony and fellowship as some of our beloved sisters in Christ (Ashley Beck, Micaela Brokaw, Cate Heroman, Melissa Miley and Gerry Arnold) share how the Lord has worked in deeply personal and powerful ways in their lives. Scan the code or visit *fpcbr.org* to register.



New! Discover First Sunday School Series. We're now offering Discover First as a four-part series during the Sunday school hour on four consecutive Sundays (September 28, October 5, 12 and 19). Contact Emily (emily@fpcbr.org) to reserve a spot to learn more about how to become a part of our ministry and mission.

Men's Ministry BBQ, September 23. Join us for fellowship and ribs hot off the grill on Tuesday, September 23, 6 pm at the home of Calvin Fabré. There is no charge but we do need a headcount. Please RSVP by scanning the code.

**Six Baptisms Today!** In addition to Lucie Anderson being baptized in worship today, we have five other baptisms today: Sidney, Maggie and Jack Harrigill, Lyla Jean Kisling and Eddie O'Rourke.

**Youth Group.** Tonight middle school will meet at 5 pm at the church. High school will meet at 5.15 pm at the McConnell's home (4352 Woodside Drive).

**26 McKinley Teachers Need an Encourager.** Stop by the Connection Center this morning and adopt a teacher. A friendly note, a small gift. The commitment is small but the rewards are huge!

