

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



September 4, 2022

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Rhosymedre

Arr. by Robert Lau

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

Gus Blum

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made:

People: A day for praise and prayer; a day for gratitude and generosity.

Leader: This is the time God has given us:

People: A time for singing and silence; a time speaking and listening.

Leader: This is the life to which God calls us:

People: A life of humility and service; a life of faith and gentleness.

Leader: We have come into this place to worship the living God.

*** HYMN 630**

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin, to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom. Forgive us, we pray, the selfishness that clings so closely. Like the first disciples, may we hear your call to discipleship, and forsaking old ways, proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world. You have not called us to an easy life, but rather to a life for others that requires much of us: new priorities, changed values, and a more inclusive love. Help us to count the cost of faithful discipleship. Hear us as we bring to you the places in our lives where we need your healing touch today.

(Silence for Personal Confession)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: The Lord is my strength and my song and has become my salvation. Praise be to God!

*** GLORIA PATRI**

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*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.*

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Jesus Loves Me!

Rev. Bob Brearley

(Children come forward during singing.)

Following the Children's Moment, children preschool through 2nd grade are invited to Children in Worship. Parents can pick up their children from the third floor after worship.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
(Pew Bible, pg. 577, Old Testament)

Gus Blum

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 14:25-33
(Pew Bible, pg. 78, New Testament)

Rev. Bob Brearley

SERMON

"Counting the Cost"

Rev. Bob Brearley

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN 626 (Remain seated)

As the Deer

AS THE DEER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Call to Giving

Offertory Anthem

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Arr. by Ruth Coleman

Lauren Decker, Violin

* Doxology

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

* Offertory Prayer

* **HYMN** 720 (V. 1-3)

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 720

GALILEE

*Jesus calls us; by thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thy obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in F

Terry Baldridge

* Please stand as you are able

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WELCOME!

We especially welcome those of you who are guests today. We invite you to fill out a Welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate as it is passed. We look forward to meeting you. If you have particular questions, please speak to Rev. Brearley.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Elders: Norma Abbott, Gus Blum
Assisting in Worship: Gus Blum
Deacons: Matthew Berger, Gary Bratton

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Elders: Liza Cooper, Missy Coulter
Assisting in Worship: Liza Cooper
Deacons: Lark Haynie, Harold Nixon

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Circle #1 will meet Tuesday, September 6, at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
Circle #4 will meet Tuesday, September 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the McLaurin Room.
Circle #6 will meet Tuesday, September 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the West Building.
Circle #8 will meet Wednesday, September 7, at 3:00 p.m. at Covenant Place.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Attention all First Presbyterian Members who are interested in:

- Baking or delivering a casserole to a church member in need
- Helping transport a church member to an appointment
- Helping with small construction/repair jobs in members' homes

Please contact Missy Coulter at coultervm@aol.com or 803-983-2039. We are currently forming new committees to help church members in need of these services. No meetings will be required. Please sign up to help if interested!



COME SEE MONTREAT

October 9-12

Don't forget to pick up a brochure from the tables outside the sanctuary or church office and sign up for this trip. Rooms are available on a first come basis and are reserved with payment. **There will be a meeting on Wednesday, September 7, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to discuss details of the trip.**

NEXT SUNDAY IS RALLY DAY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Preschool and elementary age children will meet in their classrooms at 9:30 a.m.
- Middle School will meet in the multi-purpose room (across from the FH) at 9:30 a.m.
- High School will meet at 5:00 p.m. in the West Building – Bring your Bible!

Also, worship next Sunday will include ordination and installation of church officers.



JOYS AND CONCERNS

St. Jude: Elizabeth Williams (Daughter of Barney W. Williams)

Pocatligo River Health & Rehab (Manning): Wanda Casker

Home: Bill Haynie, Carolita Cantrell, Milo Abbott (Grandson of Norma Abbott), Billy Lyons,
Jane Tisdale, Priscilla Dickey, John Michael Osteen,
Bill Scobee, Robert Stage II (Son of Marta Stage)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Frances McLaughlin, who died August 26.