



MORNING WORSHIP 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 24, 2021 10:00 AM

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY

LENT | EASTER | **PENTECOST**



Welcome to all who gather to worship this day! It is our hope that you feel the warmth of God's presence and welcome here. If this is your first time joining us, we are honored by your presence and hope to see you again soon! To stay informed, scan the QR code or visit www.firstchurchlh.org and subscribe to our weekly email.

- About the Service -

Each worship service is filmed for later access on Facebook and our church web site. Please refrain from loud conversation once the Prelude begins!

The single chime and Prelude call us to silent, prayerful preparation for worship. Please refrain from loud conversation during the Prelude.

The People's words are in **bold text**. *Indicates that the congregation may rise.

Offering plates are in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship.



a member congregation of:

The Presbytery of Florida, The Synod of South Atlantic, and The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Session (spiritual leaders of the church):

Moderator: **The Rev. Lisa Martin** Clerk of Session: **Rosa Stanley**

Class Of 2021: Marcia Burden, Steve Gabbard

Class Of 2022: Rich Kangas, Nancy Mills, Wanda Wallace

Class Of 2023: Huey Hayes, Ann Fyfe

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Like a River Glorious"

WYE VALLEY, arr. Brad Thoreson

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (sing twice)

"Lord, Be Glorified"

Bob Kilpatrick

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In our worship, be glorified, be glorified. In our worship, be glorified today.

*OPENING PRAYER

We praise you, gracious God, for you are the Lord of life. May our worship flow from our hearts to your ears, then out into the places you send us to go. In Christ we pray, Amen!

SONGS OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Michael W. Smith

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

NICAEA

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You have made us so that we belong to you. You see our need when we are blind to it. In your compassion, forgive our lack of faith and the harm we do to others and your earth. Let our sins fall from your eyes, as in mercy you open ours to your grace. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 7:23-28

(see back side fold)

MESSAGE

"Once and for All"

Rev. Lisa Martin

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER Jan Rains

*DECLARATION OF OUR FAITH (PCUSA)

We know that God is not confined only to the story we tell. The biblical story tells us that God's sovereign will is being worked among all peoples of the earth. We believe that God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe. We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help. We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power. We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God. To worship God is our highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom.

MUSIC MEDITATION

"How Great Thou Art"

O STORE GUD, arr. Brad Thoreson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

We Depart to Serve the Risen Lord

*HYMN

"More About Jesus"

(see insert)

*BENEDICTION

*THREEFOLD AMEN

DANISH

Amen. Amen. Amen!

*POSTLUDE

"Spiritual"

Gordon Young

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 7:23-28

²³ Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; ²⁴ but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. ²⁵ Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

²⁶ Such a high priest truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once and for all when he offered himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints as high priests persons in all their weakness; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made perfect forever.



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- October 24 -

Today we welcome Jan Rains into active membership! Jan comes by letter of transfer from Lynn Haven United Methodist Church.

Please join us for Fellowship after worship! If you'd like to sign up to provide simple snacks, please contact Marcia Burden or Wanda Wallace.

Blessed to be a blessing! This Saturday, October 30, is the day! If you'd like to help a sister congregation in DeFuniak Springs spruce up their facility (painting, outdoor work, some lighter cleaning), please see Pastor Lisa. 9-noon, and lunch is served!

Reformation Sunday & All Saints Day will be celebrated next Sunday! During worship we will remember loved ones who have died in the faith. This will be a special service of remembrance and dedication.

Next Sunday we receive the 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering which supports food insecurity ministries of our congregation and the Presbytery of Florida. Thank you for giving generously so that others may eat!

Adult Christian Education Sunday begins Nov. 7, 8:45-9:30 am. Pastor Lisa will be leading a class that focuses on our Reformed tradition. What do we believe, and why, as Reformed Presbyterians? This class is open to anyone – no need to register beforehand! Bonus: The coffee will be hot when you arrive! ©

If you'd like to help create and assemble seasonal Christian Education packets for our children and youth, please contact Pastor Lisa. These packets will enable our children and youth to grow in faith through the important seasons of our church year. The first packet we'll work on is "Giving Thanks: A Month of Thanksgiving". Thank you for helping!

Looking Ahead:

Oct. 31 A special Reformation/All Souls worship experience
 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering

• Nov. 7 Adult Sunday School – 8:45-9:30 am

Nov. 21 Thanksgiving Feast after worship



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