



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Lynn Haven



MORNING WORSHIP

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10, 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!

Wearing a face mask is strongly recommended for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. Please observe responsible physical distancing as a courtesy to others worshipping with us.

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.



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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

“Jubilation on Bunessan (Morning Has Broken)”

John G. Barr

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 90)

*O Lord, satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
and we will rejoice and be glad all our days!*

*Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us,
and as many years as we have seen hardship.*

Let the favor of the Lord be upon us.

May God prosper for us the work of our hands.

*OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

God of steadfast love, we give you thanks that you have been with us through all of life’s hardships, and you are with us still. By your Spirit, make our hearts glad so that we may worship you in spirit and in truth. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

PIANO PRAISE

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

W. Croft, arr. James Koerts

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

*Lord God, you are the maker of justice and the source of righteousness.
You hear the cries of the suffering and you fill the poor with good things.*

Forgive us, o God, when we fail to reflect your just love:

When we have food enough to share, but we don’t;

When we have power for good and power for change, yet we use that power for self-preservation;

When we have the means to help those in need, but we’d rather not be bothered, for whatever reason.

Forgive us, God of mercy, and teach us to follow in the sacrificial way of Jesus Christ, our great high priest.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

ANTHEM

“All to Jesus”

S. Ragsdale, arr. Hal Wright

CHANCEL CHOIR

WE EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 4:12-16 (see back side fold)

MESSAGE

“Grace to Help”

Rev. Lisa Martin

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*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.

PIANO MEDITATION

“Grace”

Virginia Harmony, J. Wyeth, & D. Towner, arr. James Koerts

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

“When Peace like a River”

(see back side fold)

*BENEDICTION & CHORAL AMEN

*POSTLUDE

“My Hope is Built”

SOLID ROCK

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 4:12-16

¹² For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. ¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

When Peace like a River (It is Well with My Soul)

(VILLE DU HAVRE)

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

REFRAIN:

***It is well with my soul;
it is well; it is well with my soul.***

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

REFRAIN

He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought.
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

REFRAIN

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
even so it is well with my soul.

REFRAIN

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- October 10 –

Thank you for taking time today to check your contact information! Aline is producing a new directory in time for Advent, and we need updated information. Place the completed form in the envelope, seal it, and place in the box in the Narthex. The pen is your “doorprize” to keep!

The session meets for its regular stated meeting immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. FPC members are welcome to attend and learn the “inner workings” of the church.

The Presbyterian Women Circle of Mary will meet Wednesday, 12:00, in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited. Lunch will be served.

The Finance & Personnel Committee will meet Wednesday at 2 pm in the church office parlor.

This Saturday, Oct. 16, is World Food Day. To celebrate, let’s bring donations of Kraft Mac ‘n Cheese microwavable cups, individual Jell-O cups, or 100% juice boxes to church next Sunday for our Backpack Ministry.

Church Work Day – Oct. 30 – But not at FPCLH! Pastor Lisa needs volunteers to join her for a “Helping a Sister Congregation Workday” on Saturday, Oct. 30. Bethel Presbyterian Church in DeFuniak Springs is wanting to spruce up their facility and they need the help of brothers and sisters in Florida Presbytery! Contact Pastor Lisa to sign up!

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the families of Louis Glayer, who died on Oct. 1; Vivian Page, who died on Oct. 3, and Burnice Leady, godmother of Emily Evans, who died Oct. 4. May God bless all who grieve.

These Days and Our Daily Bread devotional booklets for Oct-Dec are available in the Narthex. The session prays that you are blessed by reading and sharing them!

The Church Office is closed tomorrow in observance of Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples’ Day. Did you know? The state of Florida recognizes two indigenous tribes: the Miccosukee and the Seminole.



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