



MORNING WORSHIP

2ND SUNDAY after PENTECOST

June 6, 2021 10:00 AM

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY LENT | EASTER | **PENTECOST**



Welcome to all who gather to worship this day! We are now in the season of Pentecost, which focuses on the teachings of Jesus and how we are shaped and challenged by them. 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, visit **www.firstchurchlh.org** and subscribe to our weekly email.

- About the Service -

Wearing a face mask is no longer required **if you are fully vaccinated**. Please observe responsible distancing as a courtesy to others worshipping with us.

The single chime and Prelude call us to silent, prayerful preparation for worship.

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

"To God Be the Glory"

W. H. Doane, arr. Lloyd Larson

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 138)

We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole hearts! We bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Your name and your word are exalted above everything.

When we called out to you, you answered us and increased our strength of soul.

Everyone will sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord! For though God is high, the lowly are regarded.

God's hand is stretched out to deliver us.

The Lord will fulfill our purpose; God's steadfast love endures forever!

*OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

God of steadfast love, we join with all creation in worshiping you in spirit and in truth. As we worship, remind us of our great heritage of faith so that we may live into your purpose for our life of faith together: to be a blessing as we are so blessed. In Christ's name we pray, Amen!

PIANO MEDITATION

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

arr. James Koerts

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and mercy, you create us in your divine image and you know our hearts. Yet, instead of acknowledging you as our God we make our own idols. Instead of proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord we proclaim ourselves. Instead of turning to the Holy Spirit, we look to our own experience and intellect. Forgive us we pray. Redirect our sinful ways and lead us to the ways that make Jesus visible in our lives, so that we may live faithful and joyful lives. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

SANCTUARY, arr. Brad Thoreson

We Experience God's Wordwe

THE GOSPEL Mark 3:20-35

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MESSAGE

"Family Resemblance"

Rev. Lisa Martin

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER Claire Calohan

*DECLARATION OF OUR FAITH (The Apostles' Creed, 8th century) 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.

PIANO MEDITATION "Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Chris Nole

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

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

THE GOSPEL Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. ²¹ When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

²² And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

²³ So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. ²⁷ In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

³⁰ He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit."

³¹ Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

³³ "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

³⁴ Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 6, 2021 -

Today we welcome Claire Calohan into active membership!

Claire, a Ruling Elder in the PCUSA, comes by letter of transfer from Grace Presbyterian Church in Panama City. Welcome, Claire!

Interested in exploring active membership with FPC? Talk with Pastor Lisa or Rosa Stanley, Clerk of Session!

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to Kathy McCurdy on the death this past Wednesday of her mother Jeanette Yount. May God bless all who grieve.

Our Christian Sympathy is also extended to Vivian Page and family on the death of longtime FPC member Ellamae Benton, who died Thursday, June 3 following complications of a stroke. May God bless all who grieve.

The Presbyterian Women Circle of Mary will gather this Wednesday, 12 noon, in the Fellowship Hall for their monthly luncheon and meeting. All women are part of the PW; we'd love to welcome you!

Another Active School Year for Backpack Ministry is complete! FPC is blessed to partner with Lynn Haven Elementary School to help ensure that food-insecure students have meals over the weekends. A ministry of the Outreach Committee (Nancy Mills, chair), our gratitude is extended to the following volunteers: Ann and Mike Carns, Sandy Destival, Lucy Doolittle, Sandy Filippi, Larry Hammond, Sue Hayes, Dora Holbrook, Jodie Mills, Carol Oakley, Mary Ann Pennington, Libby Tunnell, Millie Van Norman, and Janet Walker.

The Presbytery of Florida would love to have volunteers! If you are interested in serving on one of our presbytery's vibrant committees, contact Pastor Lisa or Rich Kangas, who is a member of the presbytery's Committee on Nominations. Our presbytery is strongest when we serve together! No previous experience is necessary!

Camp Dogwood Acres brochures are available in the Narthex! Camp will be held this summer for kids in grades 2-12 during the months of June and July. To be safe, each church must send a chaperone/counselor with each group of kids. All will be housed together in a cabin. For more information, contact Pastor Lisa.

LAST CHANCE: The June-August Devotional Our Daily Bread is available in the Narthex. We have plenty, so take some to share!

Please pick up your offering envelopes in the Narthex! Thanks!