*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING  Psalm 130:4-5
God, in your love and faithfulness, we receive every provision. In your love and faithfulness, have sustenance and shelter. In your love and faithfulness, we are protected. We praise you for all you give, and ask that these offerings provide for those who have need, as a sign of your love and faithfulness. Amen.

Sharing of JOY and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER IN UNISON
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.

Go Out as God’s People in the World

*Closing Hymn HoF # III: “How Firm a Foundation”

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

If you are visiting today, we thank you for coming and hope you enjoy the “Welcome Packet” provided by our Church Greeter. Please indicate your contact information in the black pew pad, so that we can send you a note and call about a potential visit with our new pastor, who is visiting everyone in the congregation she can! Be sure to also let us know if you have any prayer needs!

PLEASE NOTE: Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. For instructions, please see the Greeter.

Childcare offered 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery. (There are no peanut products in the nursery.) Junior Church (lower level) thru 5th grade, following the children’s message, except weeks when there is communion.

After Worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee, light refreshments, and friendly conversation!
Lord’s Day Worship

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  September 29, 2019  Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Please refer to “Hymns of Faith” (HoF) today.

Gathering of God’s People

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME: Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

GREETING AND SHARING GOD’S PEACE

   As God has greeted us with his peace, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP (Please sign & pass the black pew pads)

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Also See Old First News Bulletin Insert)

PRELUDE

INTROIT by FPC Choir

*Please Stand if Able.

CALL to WORSHIP

Psalm 103:19-22

The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.
Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.
Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.
Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the LORD, my soul.

*Hymn of Praise HoF # 448: “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

*PRAYER of CONFESSION  Unison  Psalm 103:1-5

Lord, though we are created to give you praise, we confess that our behavior gives you grief. Though you remind us to remember all your benefits, we quickly and easily forget them. Though you redeem our life from the pit, we wallow in self-pity. Though you satisfy our desires with good things, we turn our attention to things that are bad for us or at least to what is the lesser good. Forgive our sins, we pray. Amen.

(Pause for silent confession.)

*ASSURANCE of PARDON  Psalm 103:9a, 10-12

“The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love... He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him, as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.” Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE

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.

Proclamation of God’s Word

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE:  by Jamie Bowlby

(Please pick up children after worship from Jr Church in Chr Ed wing lower level.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE:  1 John 4:1-6  N.T. pg. # 223

SERMON: “True or False Test”  By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

Response to God’s Word

*Hymn of Response HoF # 215: “The Solid Rock”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:  Unison  “The Apostles’ Creed”

1  I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
2  I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
3  He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
4  and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
5  was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.
6  On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,
7  and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
8  He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
9  I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
10 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
11 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

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