

Go Out as God's People in the World

✚ Closing Hymn **HoF# 29** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Dismissal of youth & leaders.

✚ **BLESSING & CHARGE / VISION & MISSION** (*responsively*):
To walk in the light of God;
making JESUS known is FIRST at First!
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

✚ **POSTLUDE**

As led, please go to a station for **HEALING PRAYER**, either at the baptismal font or in the corresponding back corner of the sanctuary.

Following today's service please join us in the upstairs
hall for coffee & conversation.



If you are **visiting** today, we thank you for coming and hope you return soon.

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Come and See What Good God is Doing at FPC!



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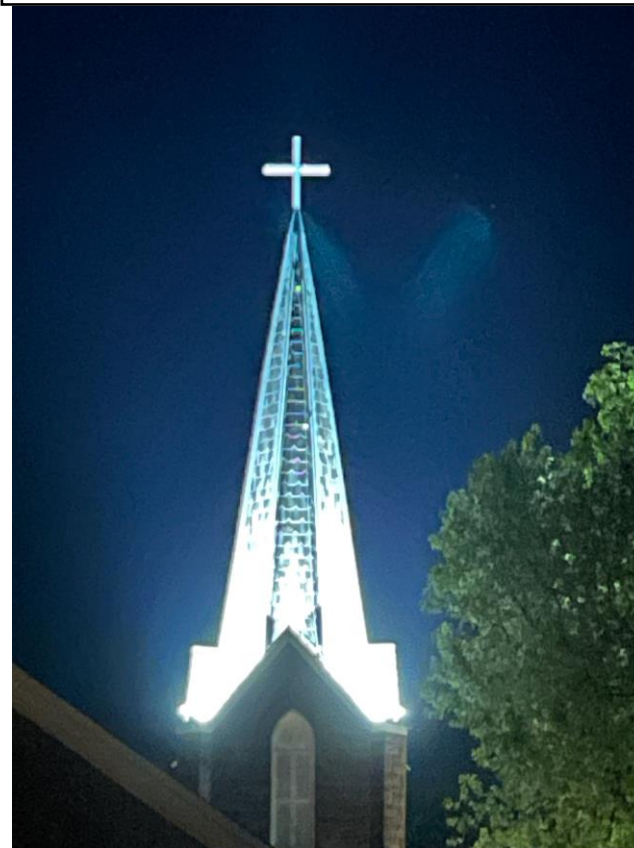
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February 5, 2023



Today's Worship Leaders:

Musicians: Kathy Wallace

Officer Assisting: Jean Johnson

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship.

*(Those not wanting to be seen on the **video recording**, please sit under the balcony.)*

Hymnals: HB is "The Hymnbook" (burgundy) & HoF is "Hymns of Faith" (scarlet)

Gathering of God's People

After the chimes, please be in quiet reverence & silence cell phones.

3 RINGS OF THE STEEPLE BELL & CHIMES

WELCOME by Jean Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See insert.)

PRELUDE

✠ stand as able

✠ **CALL To WORSHIP:** Psalm 42:1-2a *(responsively):*

*As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, My God.*

My soul thirst for God, for the living God.

✠ **Opening Hymn** **HB# 303** "Be Thou My Vision"

✠ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** based on Psalm 42 *(responsively):*

(Pause in silent confession.)

*Through your Spirit and love, we are convicted of your sin and ask,
"Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?"*

Amen.

✠ **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** based on Psalm 42 *(responsively)*

Through your Spirit and love, according to your word, we can...

**"Put [our] hope in God, for [we] will yet praise him,
[our] Savior and [our] God."**

*Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and
Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ
prays for us.*

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.

Amen.

✠ **GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE:** *(unison)* 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

✠ **CALL TO GOD'S WORD:** John 10:35 & Romans 4:3 *(unison)*

"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"

✠ **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Scripture: *(1st Church Letter)* **Galatians 3:23-4:18** N.T. p. 1660-2

SERMON Takeaway: "You Are His Child... an Heir"

by the Reverend Janet Hufford

Response to God's Word

✠ **Hymn of Response** **HoF # 74** "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

Baptism & Public Reception of New Members

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PRAYER of JOYS & CONCERNS, concluded with the **LORD'S PRAYER**
(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.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP *(Receptacles for offerings are at each exit.)*

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✠ **DOXOLOGY:** *(unison)* Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Presenting for Baptism & New Member Reception Clerk of Session
Received as new members on 1/12 by the session of FPC
through reaffirmation of faith are Meghan Lance and James Hall.
Also, Grace Katherine, daughter of Meghan & Nathan Lance,
is approved to be baptized today.

(Pastor pours water into the Baptismal font & leads the following:)

Statement about Baptism: Sisters and brothers in Christ, our baptism is the sign and seal of our cleansing from sin, and of our being grafted into the life of Christ. Through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ, the power of sin was broken and God's kingdom entered our world. Through our baptism we were made citizens of God kingdom, and freed from the bondage of sin. Let us celebrate that freedom and redemption through the renewal of the promises made at our baptism. I ask you in the congregation, therefore, once again to reject sin, and profess your faith in Christ, and to confess the faith of the church, in which we were baptized.

✚ **Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows**

Pastor: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? Do you?

ALL: I do.

Pastor: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? Do you?

ALL: I do.

Pastor: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? Will you?

ALL: I will.

BAPTISM

Grace Katherine, you are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and The Holy Spirit.

✚ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** "The Apostles' Creed" (*unison*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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

New Member Promise

You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share regularly in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? Will you?

New Member: I will.

Prayer for New Members: Holy God, we praise you for calling us to be a servant people, and for gathering us into the body of Christ. We thank you for choosing to add to our number *Jim & Meghan* in faith. Together, may we live in your Spirit, and so love one another, that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom we give honor and glory forever. Amen.

✚ **Promise of Congregational Nurture**

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ @FPCP, promise to guide & nurture *Grace, Meghan & Jim* by word & deed, with love & prayer, encouraging *them* to know and follow Christ and to be faithful active or baptized members of his church? Do you?

Congregation: We do.

✚ **Welcome**