## Go Out as God's People in the World

Closing Song #36 "He is Exalted"

 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

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



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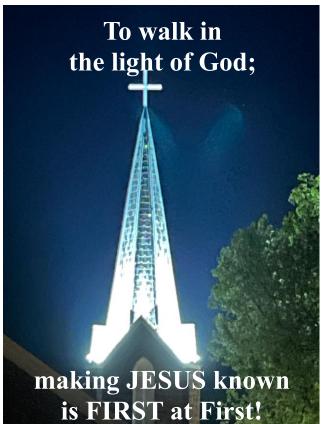
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# **First Presbyterian Church**

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> Sunday, 11am October 22, 2023



#### **Today's Worship Leaders:**

Musician: Marcia Brannon Coordinator of Vocal Leaders: Kathy Wallace Officer Assisting: Kathy Wallace Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

## October 22, 2023 Lord's Day Sunday 11am

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

(Those not wanting to be seen on the **video recording**, please sit under the balcony.) Hymnals: green (Celebration) & red (The Hymnbook)

## **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 Kathy Wallace ANNOUNCEMENTS (See insert.)

#### PRELUDE

\* stand as able
\* CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 47:6-8 (responsively)
Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.
God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

Opening Song #10 "Majesty"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: based on Psalm 47

(Pause in silent confession.)

Lord Most High, Great King over all the earth, because you are great and awesome, we should clap and shouts with joy. Yet we groan and complain. Forgive our ingratitude. Change our ungrateful hearts. Amen.

#### \* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: (responsively)

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:** *Rome* **Acts (28:11-15), 16-31** p. 1598

SERMON Takeaway: "Proclaimed the Kingdom of God" By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

## **Response to God's Word**

\* Song of Response #154 "We Bow Down"

BAPTISM

(unison)

insert

## PRAYERS of JOYS & CONCERNS followed by 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.

#### SECONDS TO STEWARDSHIP

(Receptacles for giving 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. **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.

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Proclamation of the Kingdom: Revelation 22:1-5

### (Rebecca pours water into the Baptismal font.)

**BAPTISM:** Rebecca Anne, you are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and The Holy Spirit.

## **Prayer for Baptized Member** (in unison)

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 *Rebecca* 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 (responsively) Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ @FPCP, promise to guide & nurture *Rebecca* by word & deed, with love & prayer, encouraging *her* to know and follow Christ? Do you?

Congregation: We do.

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