

The Lord's Day

May 27, 2018
Eleven O'clock

*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
We encourage you to complete the black fellowship folder
and to switch all communication devices to silent. Thank you.*

Welcome and Announcements

+Prelude..... Selected

Call to Worship..... Psalm 117

Minister: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

People: For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

All: Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn 122** ODE TO JOY
“God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed

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.

[†]i.e., Christ remained dead for three days ^{††}i.e., the universal Christian Church

Call to Confession..... Psalm 51:1-2

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

Corporate Confession of Sin (Hymn 486) REDHEAD
“God, Be Merciful to Me”

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 32:5-7

I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,”
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.
You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Sacrament of Baptism

Izabella Marie Knox, covenant child of John and Danail Knox,
by Rev. Knox Baird with Ruling Elder Ken Gunnufsen assisting.

Prayer of Intercession and 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.

Please complete the black Fellowship Folder and pass down the pew.

Presentation of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory Selected

(Four and Five-year olds dismissed to Children's Church)

+Doxology (Hymn 731) OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Choral Anthem Herbert Colvin
"Surely The Lord Is In This Place"
(From Gen. 28:16-17)
Sanctuary Choir

Surely the Lord is in this place.
This is none other than the house of God.
And this is the gate of heav'n.
Surely the Lord is in this place.

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Scripture Reading Matthew 15:21-28 Pew Bible p. 821

Sermon Rev. Ben Griffith
“The Master's Table”

Hymn 648 (verses 1-2) CARITAS
“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

The Lord's Supper

***Hymn 648** (verses 3-4) CARITAS
“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

***Benediction** Rev. Griffith

*Choral Response

***Postlude** Selected

*Please stand if you are able.

+The ushers may seat worshippers.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

You are invited and are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation, recognized as belonging to the fellowship of Christian believers. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you this prayer for your use during this time of the Lord's Supper.

Lord Jesus, the burdens of my life are too great for me. I know that my heaviest burden is my own sin. My sin has made me estranged from God and it is too great for me to carry. You say to all sinners, including me, "Come to me all who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest." These are the words my guilty conscience longs for. Help me, Lord Jesus, to understand and believe your loving promise that I can have rest for my soul. And even more, that I can know you and have eternal life.

Presiding Minister - Rev. Ben Griffith
Assisting Minister - Rev. Knox Baird

Missionary of the Week - Johnathan Keenan, RUF pastor at University of California Santa Barbara

COMMUNITY LIFE

No Evening Worship Service tonight, May 27, or next week, June 3.

CAMP NARNIA, VBS, June 4-8! Register now at www.fpcpca.net.

Camp Narnia is still in great need of volunteers. If you can help with all or part of the week, please contact Blair Riley 601-953-2244.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share Christ's love with lots of precious children!

Memorial Day—Church Office Closed, Monday, May 28.

Committees

- **Administrative Committee Meeting**, Wednesday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., Loft.
- **Missions Committee Meeting**, Sunday, June 17, 4:45 p.m., Parlor.

Meetings

- **Diaconate Meeting**, Wednesday, May 30, 7:30 p.m., CH 207.

If you would like a copy of today's service, visit our website, www.fpcpca.net/sermons. There you will find the entire service in video format as well as the sermon available for download. If you have questions, please call the church office (601-268-0303).

First Presbyterian Church Directory

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Frank Aderholdt John M. Faust Richard A. Johnson	James (Pat) Chambless Henry Hawes William C. Scruggs	James L. Duncan II John R. Jackson Jr. David Shull
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The Diaconate

<u>CLASS OF 2018</u> Kevin Arnold Bobby Blass Drew McMullan Gene Smith Schaeffer Smith	<u>CLASS OF 2019</u> Jeremy Cooper Michael Griffin Robbie Johnson Mark Kolvites Drew Middleton Adam Pennebaker Keith Reeves Stuart Rich	<u>CLASS OF 2020</u> Josh Bellew Tony Claytor D Palermo Troy Russell Tommy Shook Brian Smith Trey Sutton Joseph Tullos	<u>CLASS OF 2021</u> Brad Bailey Warren Flynt Rob King Quentin Parsons Rob Robertson Charles Wilson
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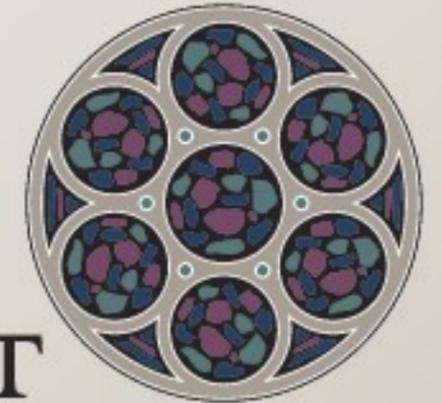
Thanks to those serving today:

Duty Deacons for May:
Tony Claytor, Adam Pennebaker,
Keith Reeves, Gene Smith,
Schaeffer Smith, Trey Sutton

Nursery Volunteers for Today: TBA

Nursery Volunteers for June 3:
E McMullan, Kristen Brown

Ushers for May:
Sam Powell, Caden Zaremba,
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