

The FPC Week

Sunday 9:00 A.M. Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
 10:45 A.M. Morning Worship

Monday 7:00 A.M. 10th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 7th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's office

M-W-F 9:00 A.M. Ladies Exercise Class - Fellowship Hall

Tues/Thur. 9:00 A.M.-2:30 P.M. FPC Day School

Tuesday 6:00 A.M. Men's Bible Study @ YouthHouse
 7:00 A.M. 5/6 gr boys & girls @ KidsHouse
 7:00 A.M. 7th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 8th gr girls Bible study @ Ladies Parlor
 7:00 A.M. 8th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's office
 7:00 A.M. 11/12 gr boys Bible study @ YH office
 1:00 P.M. Knit for Kids

Wednesday 5:30 A.M. Men's Prayer & Bible Study @ YH
 7:00 A.M. 11/12 gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 3:15-6:00 P.M. KidsQuest
 5:30-6:30 P.M. Jr. High Bible study @ YH
 6:30-8:00 P.M. Sr. High Bible Study @ YH
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Thursday 7:00 A.M. 9th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 9th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's office

Friday 7:00 A.M. 10th gr boys Bible study @ downstairs YH

* The church office is closed on Fridays

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The Church Calendar

November 19 Mission Meeting about Mexico 4 p.m. FH
 November 22 & 23 Church Office Closed
 November 23 Community Thanksgiving Meal
 November 26 The Hanging of the Greens & Chili Potluck 5 p.m.
 December 3 First Sunday of Advent
 December 3 Session Meeting
 December 8 Men's Luncheon
 December 8 & 9 Christmas Alive!
 December 10 Deacon's Meeting
 December 17 YouthHouse Baked Goods Silent Auction 9:30 a.m.
 December 17 Sanctuary Choir Christmas Cantata
 December 17 Gingerbread House Family Party
 December 20-Jan 5 Corinth Schools Christmas Break
 December 24 Christmas Eve
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 4:30 p.m. Communion Candlelight Service

Those Who Serve Today

Assisting Elder: David Huwe
 Acolytes: Tenley Mathis & Katherine Carmichiel
 Ushers: Ken Williams, Ben Long, Alan Smith, Joshua Bryant, Ben Erwin
 Circle of Prayer: Jack Griffith, Jenny Biggers, Janet Orman
 Nursery/Toddler Room: Morgan Williams & Laura Kate Carmichiel
 Tech Crew: Russell Smith & Landon Thomas

The Flowers

The beautiful flowers adorning the Sanctuary
 this morning are dedicated to our amazing Student Ministry Leaders,
 who give countless hours helping us disciple our children.

We are so thankful!
 Michael & Kim Pratt

Welcome!

We are so thankful that you've joined us for worship today!

This bulletin is also available on our website, fpccorinth.org.

The following services are provided to make your worship with us as meaningful and comfortable as possible:

♦ **A Nursery** is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3, during Sunday School and the Worship Service. The nursery and toddler classrooms are located in the Education Wing by the playground.

♦ **Children's Church** is for children ages 4 years - 5th grade. They have their very own Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall, located in the back of the campus on the northeast corner. It will be noted in the bulletin any Sunday we will not be having Children's Church.

♦ A wheelchair (access next to east entrance) and an oxygen tank are located in the large closet just off the narthex entrance and are available for anyone who has a need. Ushers will assist you.

A welcome/prayer card is available in each pew. We welcome your prayer requests, as these are brought before our Lord during our prayer time each Sunday, after the Worship Service, in our Chapel. You may use the card to tell us about yourself, and to invite our Pastor, Waring Porter, to call you or pay you a visit.

We invite you to prayerfully consider making FPC your church home.

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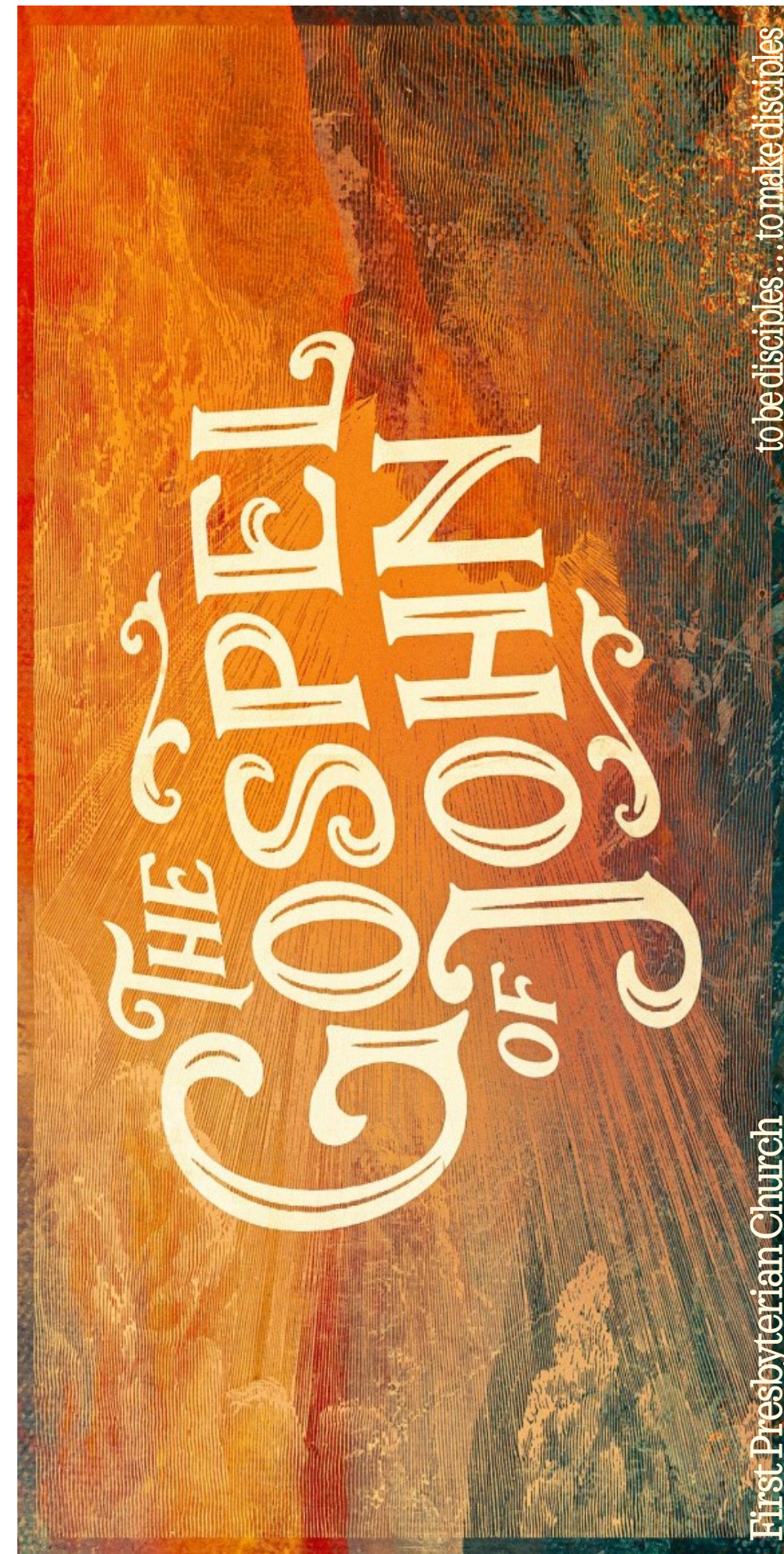
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LITURGY FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

November 19, 2023

COMMUNION SUNDAY

PRAISE THE GOD OF GLORY

The Piano Prelude Jill Taylor

Call to Meditation: 1 Timothy 1:17
“To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever.”

The Prelude Malechi Doren
Choral Introit: “*In Your House*”

*(*please stand)*

***Call to Worship:** Psalm 29:1-2

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

All: *Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.*

***The Hymn:** “*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*” No. 59

***Responsive Reading:** Ezekiel 36:22-26

Leader: Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name

Congregation: *the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.*

Leader: I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.

Congregation: *I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.*

Leader: And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Congregation: *You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.*

***Congregational Response:** “*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*” No. 43

***Profession 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.*

(*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places)

***Prayer of Invocation & 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Greetings & Announcements

The Giving Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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*

PRAISE THE GOD OF TRUTH

Scripture Reading: John 2:1-11

Scripture Response: Isaiah 40:6b, 8

Leader: All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

All: *The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.*

Sermon: **LEARNING TO BELIEVE:**

PRAISE THE GOD OF GRACE

Song of Preparation: “*Now We Give You Thanks*”

*For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord, O Lord.*

*By this pledge that you do love us,
By your gift of peace restored,
By your call to heav’n above us,
Hallow all our lives, O Lord.*

*In your service, Lord, defend us,
In our hearts keep watch and ward;
In the world where you have sent us,
Let your kingdom come, Let your kingdom come,
Let your kingdom come, O Lord.*

*For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.*

*With our sainted ones in glory
Seated at the heav’nly board,
May all who wait for you
Keep love’s tie unbroken, Lord.*

*Let your kingdom come,
Hallow all our lives,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.*

-Robert C. Lau

The Sacrament of The Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Holy and gracious Father, we are Your redeemed people, yet at times we refuse to live in the freedom that is ours. We are Your loved people, yet we spurn You by our inordinate desires for other loves. We are Your holy people, yet we confess that the stain of sin persists in our thoughts, words, deeds, and attitudes. You call us to obedience, yet we question You and Your ways. Therefore, we repent and ask Your forgiveness for the travesty of our rebellion against You. Show us how to build our lives on the only sure foundation, Jesus Christ our faithful Savior.

Individual Prayers of Confession (silently)

Assurance of Divine Pardon: 1 Peter 2:24

“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.”

The Words of Institution: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

“For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”

Distribution of the Elements

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Hymn of Commitment:** “*There Is a Redeemer*” No. 206

***Benediction**

***The Choral Benediction:** “*Benediction (2 part)*”

***Postlude** Malechi Doren

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## *Announcements*

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU’VE JOINED US** today by signing the Attendance Pad located in each pew. A “connect card” is available on the back of each pew if you have a prayer request, need to speak with our pastor, or need to change your contact information. Please place the card in the offering plate.

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH** is off for Thanksgiving Break. We hope you enjoy Family Worship today!

**ALL CHILDREN’S & STUDENT MINISTRY ACTIVITIES ARE OFF THIS WEEK.**

**REMINDER!** Please turn in your Every Member Canvass booklet and tithe card.

**INTERESTED IN A MISSION TRIP TO MEXICO?** Please come to the meeting **this afternoon**, at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The trip will be March 16-23.

**THE 35th COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL** will be held **THIS THURSDAY**, Thanksgiving morning, November 23. This is a huge undertaking by our congregation where we prepare to-go containers and deliver 750 meals to the needy of our community. We can only accomplish this with your help. **Please use the insert to volunteer as a delivery driver.**

**THE HANGING OF THE GREENS** is next Sunday, November 26, at 5 p.m. We will meet in the Sanctuary to sing Christmas carols, decorate the Sanctuary, and have a potluck chili supper afterwards in the Fellowship Hall. We need volunteers to bring pots of chili. **Please use the insert to let us know you’ll bring chili, or to just let us know you’ll be joining in on the festivities.**

**ATTENTION CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS!** Kimberly has kits available, in the blue carpet room (across from breezeway door), for you to decorate your Sunday School room door for Christmas.

**FPC KIDS’QUEST MINISTRY** will be presenting their live Nativity “Christmas Alive!”, December 8th and 9th. We need lots of help!!! **Please use the insert to let us know you’d like to volunteer in one of the areas listed.**

**WE WILL HAVE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING DECEMBER 10**, after the Worship Service, to elect church officers. Each member was emailed a letter on November 14 detailing those nominated for Elder and Deacon. Copies of this letter are available at each entrance.

**IT’S ALMOST TIME TO BUILD A GINGERBREAD HOUSE!!!** Our annual Family Gingerbread House Decorating Party will be Sunday, December 17, 4-6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Parents, grandparents and of course the kiddos are all invited. Everything will be provided, as well as refreshments. **Please use the insert to sign up your family.**

**OUR STUDENT MINISTRY WILL BE HOSTING A SILENT AUCTION** of baked goods to raise funds for the Lighthouse Toy Store, Sunday, December 17, during the Sunday School hour, 9:30-10:30 a.m. We need your baked goods! **Please use the insert to let us know you’ll bring a baked good.**

## *Sermon Text*

John 2:1-11 (ESV)

### The Wedding at Cana

<sup>2</sup> On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>3</sup> Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples.

<sup>4</sup> When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>5</sup> And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.”

<sup>6</sup> His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” <sup>7</sup> Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

<sup>8</sup> Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>9</sup> And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. <sup>10</sup> When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom

and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup> This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.