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WE ARE A NURTURING,
VIBRANT CONGREGATION,
REACHING OUT TO
THE COMMUNITY AND
STANDING AS A BEACON
OF CHRIST'S LOVE
AND PROMISE.

November 6, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Sharing the Life of the Church

THE AUTHOR OF PSALM 121 ASKED: "... WHERE DOES MY HELP COME FROM?" THEN, ANSWERING HIS OWN QUESTION, HE SAID, "MY HELP COMES FROM THE LORD, THE MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH" (PSALM 121:1-2). GOD IS INDEED OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH AND IT IS BEFORE HIM WE HUMBLY COME WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING. REACH OUT IN LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP TO ONE ANOTHER. WELCOME, ONE AND ALL!

Coffee Hour - Join us at 10 a.m. in the Harris Room for light snacks and fellowship. Today's coffee hour is hosted by **Yvonne White**.

Bluestone Sunday - We welcome and thank Mark Miller, Bluestone Facilities Director, who leads our worship today. A love offering for Bluestone will be received.

Hygiene Drive - Hygiene items will be distributed at the community meal on November 20 and the Christmas Dinner. Pick up a *Gratitude Challenge* calendar and list at the display table in the hallway.

Feed Seniors Now - Through the 20th, bring suggested food items and place them in the red container in foyer. A list of items may be found at the collection point.

A Congregational Meeting will be held next **Sunday, November 13**, immediately following 10:30 worship, for the purpose of electing 2023 officers and to approve the Pastor's terms of call.

J Dollar Men's Breakfast - The Deacons are hosting the annual men's breakfast fundraiser on **Wednesday, November 16, at 8:30 a.m.** Begin saving your J Dollars to help support the Deacons' ministries. We

need volunteers to help at the event, plus donations of baked goods and breakfast casseroles. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer, with offering envelopes for your J Dollars.

Bell Rehearsal - Those who are ringing handbells on Christmas Eve will have a rehearsal today following 10:30 worship.

Missing DVDs - Yvonne White is looking for a set of three DVDs titled *Women of the Bible*, that were part of the PW's Bible study. They were last seen in the Harris Room closet. If anyone has borrowed them please see her.

Volunteer Recognition - The Session has decided it is important to recognize and honor our volunteers. Each quarter, beginning in January, they will choose a volunteer for recognition, based upon nominations from the congregation. Next week Nomination Forms will be available for you to nominate someone you think is an outstanding volunteer for the current quarter (ending December 31st). We appreciate all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes at the church and want to honor all of these valuable folks.

STATS AT-A-GLANCE

	September	YTD
Income	\$24,403.13	\$170,166.59
Expenses	\$28,993.80	\$208,954.61
Diff. (+ /-)	(\$ 4,590.67)	(\$ 38,788.02)
Avg. Attendance:	Oct.	YTD
	8:30	14
	10:30	49
	Facebook	3 Families

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 6, 2022

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Preparation for Worship

Sharing the Life of the Church

Minute for Mission: Hygiene Drive / Community Meal

Elder Morgan James

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Psalm 100:1-2

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

2 Thess. 3:18

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open,

all desires, known,

and from whom no secrets are hid:

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you

and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

Reflections on Bluestone

Elder Morgan James

Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

*we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.*

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

*In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.*

SILENCE for personal confession ...

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

2 Cor. 5:17

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. ***Amen.***

*Response

Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father

Glory to God

GLORIA PATRI

***Ritual of Friendship**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Exchange words of peace and greetings with those around you.

GROWING

Special Music

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. ***Amen.***

*Those who are able, please stand.

Scripture

Psalm 121
The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

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Sermon**“I LIFT MY EYES TO THE HILLS”**

Mark Miller

Confession 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.*

CARING**The Offering**

The Bluestone Song
Mark Miller

*The Doxology
Hymn 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Glory to God
OLD HUNDRETH

Prayer of Dedication**Prayers of the People****The Sacrament of Holy Communion**The InvitationThe Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

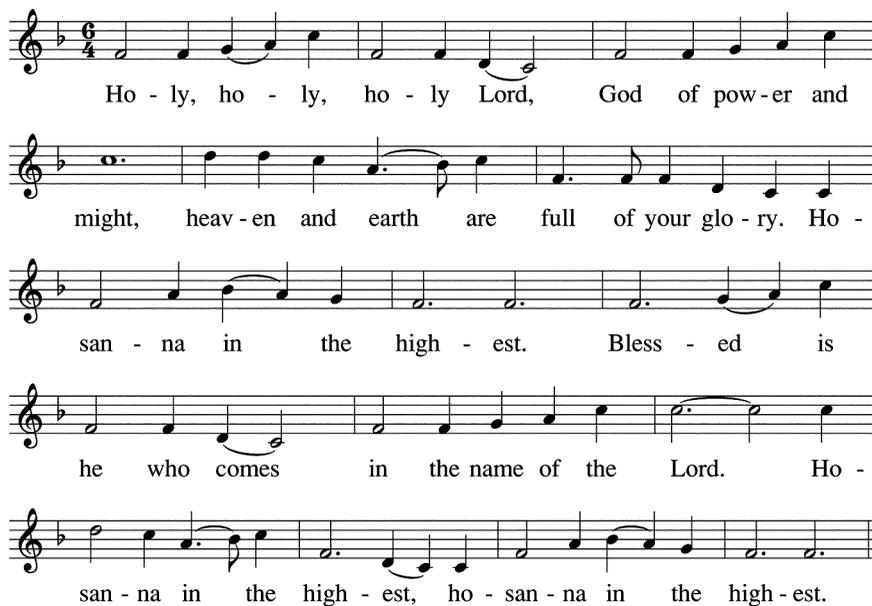
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give thanks to you, O God, ...

... And so we join the heavenly hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, ...

... Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon your people...

... in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,

now and forever. ***Amen.***

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.

Breaking of the Bread and the Communion of the People

*Please remain seated as servers pass the elements.
Gluten-free is available.*

Prayer after Communion

GOING

***Hymn 300**

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW
WE ARE CHRISTIANS

***Benediction and Sending Forth**

The Postlude

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Beadle - *Connor Buchanan*

Liturgist - *Morgan James*

Sound Technician - *Matt Buchanan*

Guest Musician - *Jane Kincheloe*



THE FLOWERS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP WERE PRESENTED BY PASTOR ANNIE
IN CELEBRATION OF HER MARRIAGE TO LUCIAN.

Prayer List – Please remember the following in your prayers:

Judy Stephens	Family of Chuck Hunt	Katy Stephens
Bernice Lemley	Wayne & Carol Sanders	Mary Slater
Doug Anderson	Becky Holdren & family	Doris Dunn
Melanie Thompson	Jim and Susan Higgins	Mysti Ruble
Danny Clevenger	Roy Clark & Family	Brook Hurt
Charlotte Johnson	Homebound Members	Denise Fragale
Megan Dougherty	Troops – World Peace	Matt Null
Michael Hocking		Bill Niday

*Those who are able, please stand.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, November 6 *Communion* / **Bluestone Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Harris Room
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Bell Group rehearsal - Sanctuary

Monday, November 7

- 6:00 p.m. Deacons' meeting - Room 204
- 6:00 p.m. KOM Knitters - Harris Room

Tuesday, November 8

- 10:30 a.m. Miriam/Priscilla Circles - Harris Room
- 6:00 p.m. Session meets - Room 204

Wednesday, November 9

- 3:00 p.m. Staff Meeting - Pastor Annie's Office
- 5:30 p.m. The Gathering - Stevenson Hall

Thursday, November 10

- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout pack meeting - Rooms 123/124
- 7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 3 - Scout House

Saturday, November 12 *Presbytery Meeting at D&E*

- 8:30 a.m. Saturday Stewards
- 12:00 p.m. HA Meeting - Room 123
- 6:00 p.m. MOV Indian Association - Stevenson Hall

Sunday, November 13 **VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Harris Room
- 10:15 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
- 12:00 p.m. Bell Group Rehearsal - Sanctuary

*Lectionary Texts for next week: November 13
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalm 98
Thessalonians 3:6-13
Luke 21:5-19