

SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022 11:00 AM

CHIMING of the HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE *“For the Bounty of the Earth”* arr. Carolyn Hamlin

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *“God Himself Is with Us”* Joachim Neander, 1680

✦CALL to WORSHIP

One: From the dog days of summer

All: we lift up our voices and hearts to you, O God.

One: When the days seem to go on and on,

All: surprise us with the good news that transforms our lives.

One: Open us up to the movement of your Spirit,

All: that we would be your faithful servants in the land you have placed us.

✦HYMN 386 *O for a World* AZMON CM

CALL to CONFESSION

PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)

Calling God, how easily we can think that you have no more word for us. We have heard of your calling from of old; to those of the past, to those who lived in a different time. We can think that you are no longer involved in this world, with all of the disasters we see around us – war, pandemic, financial crisis, mass shootings. But your word does come to us and tells us that you are still working in this world, and some of that work is through us. Keep us from being timid disciples and embolden us with the gifts you have given to each of us to be your instruments of grace and peace.

(continue in silent prayer)

ASSURANCE of PARDON

One: As far as the stars are in the night sky,

All: so far does God remove our sins from us.

One: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

✦RESPONSE to GOD'S FORGIVENESS *Glory Be to the Father* (Hymnal, page 579)

**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.**

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM *“If Ye Love Me”* Thomas Tallis c. 1505-1585

SERMON Embracing the Call of God Rev. Tom Robinson

✦AFFIRMATION of FAITH (bulletin insert) *A Brief Statement of Faith*

✦HYMN 210 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* ST. ANNE CM

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (Hymnal, Page 16)

MOMENT for STEWARDSHIP

MUSIC for DEDICATION *“God That Madest Earth and Heaven”* arr. Christina Harmon

✦PRAYER for STEWARDSHIP and DEDICATION

✦HYMN 434 *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* KINGFOLD CMD

CHARGE and BLESSING

POSTLUDE *“Brethren We Have Met to Worship”* arr. Carolyn Hamlin

Congregational responses are printed in bold.

✦All who are able, please stand



FAMILIES TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Martha Johnson
 Mark, Beth, Daniel, Benjamin & Rebecca Johnson
 Mary Lowe
 Martha Jo Mahaffey

PASTORAL NEEDS: The Session desires to be informed when members and friends of the church are in need of pastoral care and support. During office hours, please call the church at 283-3329, to ensure the Shepherd under whose care the person or family is assigned may be notified.

Prayer Concerns

Unless a prayer request is renewed or the health condition is acute, names will stay on the prayer list for one month.

Please pray for our members: Martha Jo Mahaffey; Derek Cercena; Helen Hegler; Cindy Williams; Carolyn Hardin; Ann Powers; Phil Neely; Jane McNeely-Sowell; Tom Syfan; Mary Jo Yarborough; Diane Lochner.

Friends of the church: Annie Sue Steele; Amaryllis Boger; Robert Stephenson, Jr.; Anne Hinson; Marge Campbell; Becky McCulloch Taylor; Jonathan Perry; Miller Deaton; Tony Scott; Chad Stillwell; Evan Aiken; Frazier Baldwin; Earl Adams; Tindall Yarborough; Mary Francis Thomas; Randall Robinson; John Hardin; Lee Hardin; Mark Lott; Doug Crenshaw; Henry Shute; family of Gregg Shipston.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: August 07, 2022 – August 13, 2022

Sunday	9:45am	Christian Education
	11:00am	Worship
Monday	7:00am	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Wednesday	10:00am	Chancel Choir
	6:00pm	Jubilant Ringers
	7:00pm	Finance Committee Meeting

ATTENDANCE: Worship – 35 Live Stream Worship - 15 Men's Prayer Breakfast – 25

OUR GIVING REPORT

	<u>07/31/22</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Amount Budgeted	\$ 3,990.00	\$ 123,690.00
Amount Received	<u>1,863.33</u>	<u>122,546.64</u>
	\$ <u>(2,121.67)</u>	\$ <u>(1,143.36)</u>

OFFERING PLATES are located inside the sanctuary doors on pedestals.

Living God's Word, Sharing God's Love

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. We are centered in the worship of God and bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord. As Christ's disciples we strive to build vibrant lives, strong families and a fellowship in which members care for and love one another and together seek the well-being of our city, state and world. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to develop a vital preaching and teaching ministry, aimed at drawing men and women to Christ; healing, comforting and nurturing each in the faith; equipping each with the knowledge for service to Christ and effectively obtaining peace in all walks of life.

The **LITURGICAL COLOR** is green symbolizing our spiritual growth.

WE WELCOME VISITORS. Please fill in the visitor card (located in the pew pocket) and drop into the offering plate. Thanks for worshiping with us at First Presbyterian.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST. Please plan to attend tomorrow **Monday, August 8th** beginning just before **7:00am** in the Fellowship Hall. *See you there!*
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! Psalm 98:1-8
 Music proclaims that we love God and find joy in all the ways God shows love for us. The music ministry conveys the word of God to others through music. Through music we experience the joy of fellowship. Music connects us to God in a powerful way. Please join in the fellowship of music at FPC. *Jubilant Ringers* will resume weekly rehearsals starting this **Wednesday** beginning at **6:00pm**. **Come make a joyful noise with voice or bell.**

