

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Seeking to know Christ and make Christ known”

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**Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time
June 20, 2021**

GATHERING

WELCOME ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE — *“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”*
- Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1872

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (said silently)

God who speaks, let us hear your Good News.
May our spirit listen to your Spirit.
Help us remember that your Spirit is your gift of adoption.
Remind us that we are your children, securely in Christ, our
Lord. Amen.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

**And those who know your name put their trust in you, for
you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion. Declare God’s
deeds among the peoples.

**For the one who avenges blood is mindful of them; God does
not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

* HYMN #8 — *“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”*

MELITA

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm has bound the restless wave,
who bade the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Savior, whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive heard,
who walked upon the foaming deep,
and calm amid its rage did sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Holy Spirit, who did brood
upon the chaos wild and rude,
and bade its angry tumult cease,
and gave, for fierce confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Trinity of love and power,
all travelers guard in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go;*

*thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad praise from air and land and sea.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, we confess that we come to you in the midst of clutter: we have cluttered desks, cluttered schedules, cluttered minds, cluttered lives and a cluttered planet. The clutter can be like a storm that overwhelms us and distracts us from knowing your presence and hearing your strong voice. We pray for the will to put aside the clutter of life and to listen to your voice stilling the storm and calming the wind and waves. Help us to let go of our fear, and our desire to be in control of all manner of things. Lead us to place you in the center of our lives, where, if we do, we will also see neighbor, stranger and enemy. Then help us to cross the boundary waters with you, the One who has broken every barrier down, and will lead us to the other side.

(Silent Prayers of Confession)

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* GLORIA PATRI

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING — Job 38:1-11

Pew Bible: pg. 484

ANTHEM — “O Lamb of God”

- American Folk Melody

Chancel Choir

GOSPEL READING — Mark 4:35-41

Pew Bible: pg. 39

SERMON — “Trust”

- Rev. John Brock

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* STATEMENT OF FAITH — from Julian of Norwich

I saw that God was everything that is good

and encouraging.

God’s our clothing

that wraps, clasps and encloses us so as never to leave us.

God showed me in my palm a little thing round as a ball about the size of a hazelnut.

I looked at it with the eye of my understanding

and asked myself:

“What is this thing?”

And I was answered: “It is everything that is created.”

I wondered how it could survive since it seemed so little it could suddenly disintegrate into nothing.

The answer came: “It endures and ever will endure, because God loves it.”

And so everything has being because of God’s love.

* **HYMN #463** — “How Firm a Foundation” FOUNDATION

*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

*"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

*"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*

*"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* **DOXOLOGY**

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SENDING

* **HYMN #662** — “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” RATISBON

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies;
Christ, the true, the only light;
Sun of Righteousness, arise;
triumph o'er the shades of night;*

*Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.*

*Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
till thy mercy's beams I see;
till they inward light impart,
cheer my eyes and warm my heart.*

*Visit then this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiance divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.*

* **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

POSTLUDE — “Fantasy on the Old 100th Psalm” - arr. Sikes

DEPART IN PEACE

WELCOME to all who worship with us today. If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church, please contact Rev. Brock at johnbrock@gmail.com or 256-486-5003.

WEDNESDAY NOON PRAYER SERVICE will meet this Wednesday, June 23 at noon in the Sanctuary. We will meet in the front of the sanctuary at the communion table, socially distanced for a time of prayer and celebration of the Lord's Supper. We hope you can join us!

WOW WEDNESDAY continues this Wednesday at 5:15. We will discuss the first chapter of *Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers*. Our meal will be Pork Roast. If you are able, please bring a side or dessert that goes with that. We hope to see you there!

Calendar

MINISTRY AND MISSION TEAM MEETING will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 on Wednesday, June 23.

CHOIR PRACTICE will meet in the choir room at 10:30 am on Sunday morning.

OFFERING: If you are worshipping online, please mail your tithes and offerings to the church. You may also give online, if you prefer using your check card. Go to <https://firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give> on your phone and the website will direct you.

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PASTORAL NEEDS: Please contact Rev. Brock at 256-486-5003 or by email johnbrock@gmail.com.

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LIVING WATERS COMMUNITIES: Los Higos, Matagorda, Mata de Plantano, Piedra Blanco Abajo, La Quebrada, Paso Bajito, La Pita, Sabaneta School, Piedra Blanca School, Jarabocoa Fire Department

Wednesday, June 23

12:00 - Prayer Group - Sanctuary

4:00 - Ministry and Mission Team - Fellowship Hall

5:15 - Wednesday Night Supper - Fellowship Hall

5:45 - Wednesday Night Study - Presbyterian Questions, Chapter 1

Sunday, June 27

11:00 - Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook

SESSION

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