GATHERING

PRELUDE "Christ Be Our Light" arr. Sikes

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT "The Prayer of St. Patrick" Emma Townsend

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Be gracious to us and bless us;

O God, show us favor.

May your way, O God, be known upon the earth; may your deliverance be known among the nations.

Peoples will praise you, O God;

all peoples will praise you.

Nations will exult and shout for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity;

you guide the nations of the earth.

The peoples will praise you, O God;

all people will praise you.

Let us worship God!

HYMN # 375 "Shall We Gather at the River" HANSON PLACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,

We equate our judgement with your judgement, and often consider our ways to be your ways.

We define peace as the absence of disruption,

holding our comfort as your aim

and thinking our preferences reflect your way.

Too often we act as if we are your authoritative witnesses, believing our worldview corresponds with your vision, and that our narrative contains your hope for the future.

O God,

dislodge us from our sinful assumptions.

Forgive our selfish views.

Correct us with your truth

and teach us by your Spirit.

KYRIE #551

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

It is the Lord who opens eyes to see.

It is the Lord who softens hearts to hear.

It is the Lord who returns us to God's presence.

Peace, peace, peace-

you are loved. You are enough. You belong.

In Jesus Christ you are restored.

Thanks be to our God forever and ever.

+RESPONSE #581 GLORIA PATRI

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 12: 1-4

Pew Bible Page 10

ANTHEM "The Gift of Love" arr. Hal Hopson

Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 24: 13-35

Pew Bible Page 90

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

SERMON "We Are Called to a Journey of Faith" Shebbie Shields

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

+HYMN # 288

"Spirit of the Living God"

LIVING GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY Cents-Ability

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+DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

+CLOSING HYMN #295 "Go to the World"

' SINE NOMINE

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE *"Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty"* arr. Sikes

+ Congregation Standing

(Silent Confession)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: We welcome back to our pulpit today, Shebbie Shields.

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning and ask that you please sign the Friendship pad in your pew. Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the Triune God. In worship we acknowledge God, who is present in the world and in our lives. As we respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, we are transformed and renewed. In worship, we offer ourselves to God and we are equipped for God's service in the world.

Visitors: We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us this morning. We invite you to come back and worship with us as often as possible. If you would like more information about our church, please see one of our Elders.

WOW Dinner at 5:15 on Wednesday with Bible Study afterwards.

Giving Fence needs items. If you have anything that you don't need or want and think it is in good shape, please donate it for our Giving Fence. Also needed are personal and household items.

Can Cross needs food items. Please give what you are able to help those who need food in our community. Please place your items in the Can Cross outside the pastor's office.

Wednesday Noon Prayer Service will meet at the front of the sanctuary at noon.

Large print editions of the Glory to God Hymnal are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.

Offering: You may now give online if you prefer using your debit/credit card. Go to https://firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give on your phone and the website will direct you.

Cares & Concerns: David Nix, Teresa Barrett, Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstattd, Eden Coates, Jada Register, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, James Thompson, Legary McBride, Darryl Kornegay, Reverend Dr. Joe Johnson, Reverend Dr. Ralph Wooten, Melissa Scholl, Jack & Sherry Harrison, Scott Black, Della Huffman, Carla Collins, Hilda Retherford, Linda Creel, Gary Nelson, the family of Dale White.

Please pray for our church and the Pastor Nominating Committee, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00. At this time, please stop what you are doing and pray.

Worshipers at Home: Pegge Abraham, Jane Price

Military Members: Nicole Barrett, Lamar Flowers

College Students: Jake Cournoyer, David Dixon, James Dixon, Haley Helbing, Benjamin Powers, Jake Taylor, Tabetha Taylor, Hailey Beard

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 25th

10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship / Choir Rehearsal 11:00 AM –Worship with Shebbie Shields

Wednesday, May 28th

12:00 noon – noon prayer 5:15 PM – WOW Dinner with Bible Study afterwards

Thursday, May 29th

5:30 PM - PNC meeting

Sunday, June 1st

10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship 11:00 AM – Worship

SESSION

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