

September 9, 2018
9:00 a.m.

Order of Service

GATHERING

As followers of Jesus
we will love the Lord our God
with all our hearts,
with all our souls
and with all our minds.
And we will love our neighbors
as ourselves and serve them
in the name of Christ.
Matthew 22:37, 39

*Love God
Follow Jesus
Serve in Spirit*

*Please sign the Friendship Register
found at the end of the pew and
pass it on as you prepare for
worship. Visitors are urged to leave
their address, to receive a letter of
welcome from the pastor and be
placed on the newsletter email list.*

***Please stand at the asterisks.**

PRELUDE

All Glory and Power

– June Nixon

– Norman Warren

I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me (Psalm 121:1)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

– Brenton Brown/Ken Riley

Everlasting God

Verse: Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.

We will wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord.

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.

We will wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever, Our Hope, our strong Deliv'rer.

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God.

You do not faint. You won't grow weary.

You're the defender of the weak. You comfort those in need.

You lift us up on wings like eagles. (Verse)

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN

Holy Spirit

– Bryan Torwalt, Katie Torwalt

There's nothing worth more that would ever come close,

No thing can compare, You're our living Hope,

Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves,

When my heart becomes free and my shame is undone,

Your presence, Lord.

Anthem Text:

Sing to the Lord a jubilant song.
Rejoice and sing and
let the earth be glad.
Let the heavens be filled with joy
and a jubilant song.
Sing Alleluia to the Lord.
Tell of his salvation from
day to day.
Shout his marvelous works
among the people.
For great is the Lord
and greatly to be praised.
Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another,
before the mountains were made,
or the land and sea were born.
From age to age you are God and
we pray for the coming
of your kingdom.
We shall rejoice, we shall be glad
all the days of our life.
Sing to the Lord a jubilant song.



Holy Spirit You are welcome here,
come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory God is what our hearts long for,
to be overcome by Your presence, Lord, Your presence, Lord.

Let us become more aware of Your presence.
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness. (x3)

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***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God, in this time of new beginnings and fresh starts, we confess that we hold on to what hinders us, resisting the new life found in you. Forgive us, Lord. Forgive us when we think too little of ourselves and the gifts you have given us, being afraid to step out and use them boldly for your purposes and your kingdom. And forgive us when we think too much of ourselves, attempting to rely on our own understanding rather than seeking yours in Scripture and through prayer. We need you, O God; every day we need you. You created us for relationship, both with you and with our fellow human beings. Guide us as we navigate difficult and painful relationships; give us grace to be forgiving as you forgive us. May we also rejoice in affirming and life-giving relationships, and in all we do, may we proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord in whose name we pray; Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI**

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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.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we pray that we would encounter you in your Word and be changed by it. As we receive the gospel this morning, give us your guidance in how we might convey this grace and good news to all the world. Through Christ we pray; Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 71:12-19

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Mark 3:13-19

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM *A Jubilant Song* – Allen Pote

SERMON Rev. Ann Conklin
The Great Ends of the Church: Proclaim the Gospel

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION #371
Lift High the Cross

*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.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING
OFFERTORY *Toccatinetta* – Christopher Tambling

*DOXOLOGY #592
PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #466

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE – Paul Vasile

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, sing glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, world without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

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POSTLUDE *Postlude* – Betty Roe

Liturgist: Renita Jurgensen

Greeters: Peter & Sue Eisenklam

Ushers: Thank you to Dennis Sitzler's team. Next week: Don Wilson's team.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by the Sanctuary Choir. Next Sunday's special music will include the Sanctuary Choir and Soloist Karen Rudin. The complete music schedule is available at fpcmesa.org/worship-planning.

Praise Band: Erin Skarphol, vocals; Karen Rudin, rhythm guitar/vocals; Mark Ramsey, piano/vocals; Paul Soderquist, drums

Sound Booth: Greg Gerlach

Nursery Worker: Thank you to Linda Hayball.

Activity bags for children are available at the back of the sanctuary. These are for use during worship.

Visitors are encouraged to visit the Information Kiosk by the main doors of the sanctuary to learn more about the church's programs.

Audio assistance is available for those who may be unable to adequately hear the service. Please see an usher for assistance.

Check the bulletin boards in the church office for information regarding events or opportunities in the life of the church and the community.

Prayer Chain: If you or a family member need special prayers, email prayer@fpcmesa.org or call the church office. If the prayer request is for a friend, you must first have *permission from that friend* to make the request public on the Prayer Chain.

Bulletin Recycling. If you do not want to take your bulletin home, please take it to the recycling basket at the back of the sanctuary.

If you are hospitalized or confined at home due to illness, call the church office at 480-964-8606 to let us know. Please note: If you are in the hospital, let us know what your room number is. In order to comply with new stricter government regulations to protect patients' privacy, hospitals refuse to provide any information, including room numbers.

Sanctuary Flowers are a way for you to recall a special person or event in your life. Flowers are available at a cost of \$50 or you may notify the church office of your desire to furnish your own flowers. You may take the flowers that Sunday or leave them for the Deacons to deliver. If you are interested in providing flowers, fill out the form found at the Kiosk or in the office. After completion, please return it to the office, along with a check and instructions.

Activities for the Week of September 9, 2018

Today, 9/9	9:00a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
	11:00a.m.	HolyGrounds CoffeeHouse Service, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, 9/11	9:30a.m.	Deborah Circle, Parlor
	7:00p.m.	Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, 9/12	8:30a.m.	Dave's Crew
	5:00p.m.	Wednesday WRAP
	6:00p.m.	First Ringers
	6:15p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	7:00p.m.	Choir, Choir Room
Thursday, 9/13	6:30p.m.	Dei Gloriam, Bell Room

Upcoming Events

September 16	Commissions & Session meet
September 30	Monthly Food Drive
October 13	PWP Gathering
October 21	Ministry Fair
October 28	Dedication Sunday

Coffee time will follow the service.

The host today is Lanai Mills.

Baked goods are provided by Carol Anderson & Anita Ramsey.

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