

September 23, 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

— Rosalie Bonighton, Richard Lloyd

Cantique (two settings)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

— Brian Doerksen

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Chorus: Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those

Who gladly choose You now. (Chorus)

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN

Amazed

— Jared Anderson

You dance over me while I am unaware.

You sing all around, but I never hear the sound.

Chorus: Lord, I'm amazed by You. Lord, I'm amazed by You.

Lord, I'm amazed by You. How You love me.

You paint the morning sky with miracles in mind.

My hope will always stand. You hold me in Your hand. (Chorus)

Anthem Text:

I got shoes, you got shoes,
 all God's children got shoes!
 When we get to heaven, gonna
 put on our shoes, we're gonna
 walk all over God's heaven.
 Everybody talkin' bout heaven,
 ain't a-goin' there, but we're gonna
 walk all over God's heaven.
 Oh, I got wings. you got wings.
 Oh, I got a robe. You got a robe.
 Oh, I got a harp. You got a harp.
 Everybody talkin' bout heaven,
 ain't goin' there, but we're gonna
 play, we're gonna sing, we're gon-
 na fly, we're gonna walk.
 We're gonna sing all over
 God's heaven.



How wide, how deep, how great is Your love for me.
 How wide, how deep, how great is Your love for me. (Chorus)
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***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of grace and glory, we come to worship you and offer our praise and thanksgiving to you; yet too often we are confused about worship and focus more on our own needs and desires. Help us to return to the heart of worship, Lord. Help us to truly offer our whole lives to you as a sacrifice of praise. To give you our hearts, our time, our treasure, and our talents to be used in service to your people. Open our whole beings to be changed by you; to reflect your priorities rather than our preferences. Forgive our short-sightedness and our selfishness, O God. Create a clean heart within us and renew our spirits to sing your praise. This we pray through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI #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.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

By your Holy Spirit, shed your holy light upon your holy Word, so that we might more deeply understand your message to us this morning. Amen.

SCRIPTURE	Psalm 100	Page 481
	Luke 2:36-38	Page 833

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

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM *All God's Children Got Shoes* — arr. Ken Berg

SERMON Rev. Ann Conklin
 The Great Ends of the Church: Worship the Lord!

RESPONDING

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION #106**
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

*CREED

from the Confession of Belhar

We believe

- that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another (Eph. 2:11-22);
- that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain (Eph. 4:1-16);
- that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted (John 17:20-23). Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

— Mark Hall, Steven Curtis Chapman

Voice of Truth
One Voice

*DOXOLOGY

(Tune: Slane)

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

#476

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

(Tune: *Hyfrydol*)

Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity.
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

— Craig Lang

Liturgist: Renita Jurgensen

Greeter: Susan Durand

Ushers: Thank you to Gary Marshall's team. Next week: Team 3.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by One Voice. Next Sunday's special music will include the Sanctuary Choir. 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: Peter Conklin

Nursery Workers: Thank you to Jennifer & Grace Martin.

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 23, 2018

Today, 9/23	9:00a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:15a.m.	Christian Education
	11:00a.m.	HolyGrounds CoffeeHouse Service, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, 9/25	3:00p.m.	Personnel Committee, Parlor
	7:00p.m.	Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, 9/26	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, 9/27	6:30p.m.	Dei Gloriam, Bell Room

Upcoming Events

September 30	Monthly Food Drive
October 7	Meet Your Deacon at Coffee Time
October 13	PWP Gathering
October 21	Ministry Fair
	Meet Your Deacon at Coffee Time
October 28	Dedication Sunday — One service at 10:00

**Coffee time will follow the service.
The hosts today are John John Schlak & Karelle Reidhoefer.
Baked goods are provided by Verna Green.**

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