

September 29, 2019  
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*

*If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and encourage you to sign the visitor card in the pew. Visitors are urged to leave their address, to receive a letter of welcome from the pastor and be placed on the newsletter email list, if desired.*

PRELUDE

*Preludium* – Antonín Dvořák, arr. Alan Ridout

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

– Lanny Wolfe

*Surely The Presence of the Lord*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*HYMN

*Days Of Elijah*

– Robin Mark

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;

And these are the days of Your servant Moses,  
righteousness being restored;

And though these are days of great trials  
of famine and darkness and sword;

Still we are the voice in the desert crying,  
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

Chorus: Behold He comes, riding on the clouds,  
shining like the sun at the trumpet call.

Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee,  
and out of Zion's hill, Salvation comes.

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

### Anthem Text:

Poor Man Lazarus  
(based on Luke 16:19-31)

Poor man Lazarus, sick and disabled. Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'cause I'm tormented in the flame. He had to eat crumbs from the rich man's table. Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'Cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Chorus: I'm tormented in the flame. I'm tormented in the flame. Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'Cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Rich man Divies, he lived so well. Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'cause I'm tormented in the flame. And when he died, he went straight to hell. Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'Cause I'm tormented in the flame. (Chorus)

I love to shout, I love to sing! Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'cause I'm tormented in the flame. I love to praise my heav'nly King! Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, 'cause I'm tormented in the flame. (Chorus)

And these are the days of Ezekiel,  
the dry bones becoming as flesh;  
And these are the days of Your servant David,  
rebuilding a temple of praise,  
And these are the days of the harvest,  
the fields are as white in the world,  
And we are the labourers in Your vineyard,  
declaring the Word of the Lord. (Chorus)

There is no god like Jehovah. (repeat)

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds,  
shining like the sun at the trumpet call.  
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee,  
and out of Zion's hill, Salvation comes. (repeat)  
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### **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious and loving God, you are a God who hears our prayers and we are so very grateful for that. You listen to us and respond in love. You want to be in deep communion with us; yet sometimes we are hesitant to communicate with you. Forgive us, Lord. Open our hearts that we might pour them out to you. Open our ears to listen to your word. May we hear *not* what we want to hear, but what you are truly saying to us, even when it is a challenging word.

Forgive us, Lord, when we think of others in nameless categories, rather than as your beloved children, named and claimed by your grace. Forgive us for wanting to remain as we are, rather than be transformed by you. Shape us and mold us into the people you've created us to be and then use us as instruments of your love and grace in the world. We pray this in Christ's name; 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, by your Holy Spirit, illumine these words for us that we might comprehend your message for us this morning. Open our ears that we might listen well and open our hearts that we might respond. Through Christ we pray; Amen.

SCRIPTURE Luke 16:19-31 Page 851  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

## MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM *Poor Man Lazarus* – Jester Hairston

SERMON Rev. Ann Conklin  
Sermon Series: What Disciples Believe Do  
Sermon: Disciples Listen, Learn, and Act

## RESPONDING

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION #358  
*Help Us Accept Each Other*

\*CREED Excerpts from the Confession of Belhar  
We believe in the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

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.

We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and active in a variety of ways:

- in that we love one another;
- that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another;
- that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;
- that together we bear one another's burdens; thereby fulfilling the law of Christ;
- that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity.

We believe Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING  
OFFERTORY – Rolf Lovland/Brendan Graham  
*Sometimes a Prayer Will Do*  
Jan Peterson, Soprano

Liturgist: Dave Frederick

Greeter: Susan Durand

Ushers: Thank you to Bill Anderson's team. Next week: Graham Walker's team.

Special Music: This week's special music is being offered by Soprano Jan Peterson. Next Sunday's special music will include the FPC Youth Ensemble with Soloist Tanya Snitzer. The complete music schedule is available at [fpcmesa.org/worship-planning](http://fpcmesa.org/worship-planning).

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

Sound Booth: Bob Schulz

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.

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.

Prayer Chain: If you or a family member need special prayers, email [prayer@fpcmesa.org](mailto: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.

**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.

**Coffee time will follow the service.**  
**The hosts today are Dennis & Darlene Sitzler.**  
**Baked goods are provided by Carol Anderson & Anita Ramsey.**

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Freely, Freely* — Carol Owens  
 God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.  
 I've been born again in Jesus' name,  
 And in Jesus' name I come to you  
 to share His love as He told me to.

Chorus: He said, "Freely, freely you have received;  
 freely, freely give.  
 Go in my name, and because you believe,  
 others will know that I live."  
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**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN** *O for a World* #386

**\*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* — Adolf Hesse

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