



Dear All,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

This coming Sunday, August 3, is the Ninth Sunday of Pentecost! We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. If you will be joining online, please have ready your favorite juice or wine and bread, tortillas, crackers, arepas, or any other grain-based food.

As the Holy Spirit continues to breathe into us, we will meet another of the original deacons, Philip, as he meets a remarkable traveler on the road. We will witness the beauty of their interaction, an interaction that likely led to birth of the Church in Ethiopia. In preparation for Sunday, I invite you to do some research into Christianity in any part of the world that might be unfamiliar to you. Let's learn together!

We will continue our practice of hybrid worship. This means that you are welcome to join us in person and that you are welcome to join us from home, whatever works best for you. If you are able to access technology for online worship, we will be live streaming the service via Youtube and Facebook.

For Youtube Live, please go to our channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPh2zjtSFxk2uo9_YWEusCQ/, subscribe to it, and enable notifications. The live video should be up and running just before the service starts. If you watch later, click on our channel and then select "Live" videos. You can also watch afterward on our website at: <https://fpchighland.org/worship>.

For Facebook Live, please go to our page here: <https://www.facebook.com/firstpchighland/> around the start of worship. A recording of the service will remain on our Facebook page if you want to watch later.

As always, I have included worship materials, including the bulletin, readings, hymns, a sermon, and creative activities for disciples of all ages.

I leave you with these words from *Colossians*:

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

In Christ and with Love,

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