FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by David and Renee Stormer in honor of their 36th wedding anniversary.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, October 23

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Wednesday, October 26

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner - Baked Potato w/Chicken & Chili

6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen

6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton (Holy Land Tour continues)

7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 29

12:00 p.m. - Set-up Fall Festival

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Fall Festival

3:00 p.m. - Fall Festival Clean-up

Sunday, October 30 - Reformation Sunday/All Saints Day

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Tuesday, November 1

9:30 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle

7:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Evening Circle

Wednesday, November 2

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner - Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen

6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton (Holy Land Tour continues)

6:30 p.m. - First Wednesday-Children and Youth Class College Care Pkgs

7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting

Saturday, November 5

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - All Church Workday

Please sign-up to say you will be there to help.



Sunday, November 6 - Dedication Sunday

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both services

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell Rehearsal

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Wednesday, November 9

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner Chicken Stew & Choc. Cobbler

6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen

6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton (Holy Land Tour continues)

7:30 p.m. - Session Meeting in Crossroads Classroom

Saturday, November 12

9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. FPC Christmas Market Place

Come Shop 'til You Drop!

THE CHALLENGE



The 100 Can Challenge continues . . .

Let us carry on THE CHALLENGE to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total for October is currently **82 items.**



Wednesday Night Live will run through November 16.

Chef Rod Graham will prepare a light meal. The price is \$5 each.

Pete Allen will offer a different type class, "Art Anywhere." Pete will cover drawing, sketching, and using colored pencils.

Rev. Doughton will lead a short series on his trip to the Holy Land.

We offer for children and youth "First Wednesdays" on November 2 they will pack the *College Care Pkgs*.

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know you would like to utilize childcare; we will schedule staff.

Sign-up Today!

Our annual fall festival is quickly approaching. It will be held on Saturday October 29, from 1-3pm in the north parking lot. This is such a wonderful event to get involved in, as we reach out to our community. How can I get involved you may ask?? You can volunteer the day of by helping with (trunk or treat, games (the youth will lead), greeting, concession stand, set-up and clean-up). Or by bring donations such as candy, individually wrapped snacks for the goodie bag shuffle or concession stand, drinks, water,



Gatorade, or soda. There are sign up sheet in the welcome center. We appreciate all of your support, and prayers for another successful fun fall festival.

Donations are excepted all this week



College Care Packages

On Wednesday, November 2, 2022 (The first Wednesday of the month) The Youth and Children will gather to pack college care packages. We need your help. Please consider donating to the cause. We currently have 5 college students. Please make your contribution by next Sunday, October 30.

- Pens, Markers, Note Pads
- Candy, Gum, Chips, Energy drinks
- Fidget type toys
- Personalized letters of encouragement
- Gift Cards Sonic, Starbucks, etc.
- Masks, hand sanitizer, room fragrance
- Microwaveable Soup, Mac 'n Cheese



GUIDE TO WORSHIP

October 23, 2022 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Prelude in e minor, Op.28, no. 4 F. Chopin

INTROIT (654) In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful arr. Jacques Berthier In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

CALL TO WORSHIP Philippians 1:2; Psalm 84:1, 5, 12 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! Happy are those whose strength are in You, For the Lord God is a sun and a shield; O Lord of Hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in You.

*HYMN 703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy, Good, and Merciful God, in Your Presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your Ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

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. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

MOMENT FOR MISSION

The Art of Gratitude

ANTHEM One Faith, One Hope, One Lord Craig Courtney Chancel Choir

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which He died, One Voice, one song we lift in praise to Him who was and is and shall be evermore.

There is one Body, one Spirit, as You were called to one hope. One Lord, baptism and faith, one God and Father of all, above all, and through all, in You all.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which He died.

One Voice, one song, we lift in praise to him who was an is and shall be evermore.

Though we may be many people, diverse with various gifts, we are given to each other for the unity of faith, that we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, in the fullness of Christ.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which He died.

One Voice, one song, we lift in praise to him who was an is and shall be evermore.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All-knowing God, as we hear Your Word read and preached, may we hear today Your special message to us, may we gain insight for the week ahead, and may we see Your larger purposes for our lives in Jesus Name we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 95:1-5

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and the dry land, which His hands have formed.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25:14-30

"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your Master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Doughton

The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 698

Take, O Take Me as I Am

SERMON

Adding Layers

Rev. Dough-

*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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION
If you would like to help with a donation for Hurricane Ian Relief make your check payable to FPC adding Disaster Relief on the memo
line.

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

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.

*HYMN 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 550 Give Praise to the Lord (vs.1) C. Hubert H. Parry Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song;

amid all the saints God's praises prolong; a song to your Maker and Ruler now raise, all children of Zion; rejoice and give praise.

*POSTLUDE

Arietta, Op. 12 no. 1

E. Grief

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Brian Neece (8:45); Amanda Aynes (11:00) Deacon/Ushers - Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, and David Howard (8:45); Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, David Howard, and Lori Herring (11:00)