

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30)

Prelude in G# Minor, op.32
Veronica Tarka, piano

Sergei Rachmaninov

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:45)

"Canticle of Fellowship"

Craig Courtney

A READING FROM JOHN

John 15:12-17

Leader: This is the word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *"Do We Withhold the Fruit and Water?"*

Pastor Dave Henry

THE THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy.....

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.

Breaking of Bread/Sharing of the Cup

The Communion Bread is gluten-free so all might partake.

Communion of the People

SHARING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory *Blessed be the Tie That Binds*

Darren Wolford

*Doxology

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.

Offertory Prayer

* HYMN #367 *"Jesus, Jesus, Fill Us With Your Love"* Chereoni

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *"Jesus Love Me"*

Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so

Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

*Postlude *Praise to the Lord*

John Beneke

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

John 15:12-17

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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Stephen Ministers: Jodi Hardman
Clerk of Session: Cynthia Quetsch
Moderator, Board of Deacons: Tom Holt
Choir Director: Natasia Sexton
Organist: Jimmy Kay Sanders

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"Do We Withhold the Fruit and Water?"



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Sixth Sunday After Easter

May 6, 2018

TODAY AT FPC

For more event dates & times, please see the calendar on our website at www.fpcjcmo.org

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Come Ye Thankful People, Come* Ronald McMahon
Mary Kabiri, organist

INTROIT *"Festive Praise"* Allen Pote
Chancel Choir, Dr. Natasia Sexton, Director

ENTERING OF WORD AND LIGHT

THE GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 98: 1, 4-6, 8)

Leader: "O sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord with lyre and the sound of melody.

People: With trumpets and the sounds of the horn, make a joyful noise before the King, our Lord.

ALL: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord." Amen.

* OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #482 *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"* Lobe den Herren

PRAYER OF CONFESSION(*in unison*)

Lord, you challenge us to "love on another as I have loved you" and we fail miserably to love our families, our friends, our neighbors, our enemies. You appoint us to "go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" and we pick the best fruit for ourselves and fail to reach out and share with others. You tell us that God will give us "whatever you ask in God's name" but we selfishly ask for more than we need and for that which is harmful to our spiritual journey. So we come now, at this moment, to you in our silent prayers of confession. Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us...

Our Silent Personal Prayers of Confession

* DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Alleluia and Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI

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.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

"Peace be with you...and also with you."

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

Shannon McPherson

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS - Lyle & Katherine Best (10:45 am)

* HYMN #403 *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* Converse

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 10:44-48

Leader: This is the word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

WELCOME to our service of worship this Sixth Sunday After Easter. Join us for refreshments in Knox Hall following worship.

OUR RADIO BROADCAST over Station KWOS (950 AM) at 11:00 a.m. today is dedicated to the glory of God.

FLOWERS in the sanctuary this day are dedicated to the glory of God.

USHERS: 8:30 am Barbara Lamon
10:45 am Todd Holt
5:00 pm Becca Hickman

BUS DRIVERS: Jeannine Toomey & Sharon Jarodsky

FLOWER VISITATION: Kent Burson, Ben Krause & Carl Mosher

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday, May 13th, is the 7th Sunday of Easter and is also Mothers' Day. In our worship of God, we will be reflecting some biblical and theological models for **"Family."** Our texts will come from the Gospel of John, 13:31-35, and the First Epistle of John, 5:1-6.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE @ FIVE

Why do we live our lives according to God's guidance? We'll wrestle with this together as Pastor Zac reflects on 1 John 5:1-6. Tonight is our monthly pot-luck meal, so join us and bring something to share if you can. Everyone is welcome for worship and the meal, even if you don't bring any food.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

8:30 am Worship Service
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 am Worship Service
2:00 pm Worship at Primrose Retirement Community
5:00 pm Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
5:45 pm Shared Meal - Knox Hall

PLEASE PRAY for our sister congregation of McGee Memorial Presbyterian Church, Excello. It is part of our being the connectional church.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED - Please join women from other churches in the community for May Friendship Day. It will be a salad luncheon (you don't have to bring anything) and will be held here at our church on May 11th at 11:00 a.m. The theme is: "In Gratitude For God's Presence". There will be a time of devotion, a short program, followed by lunch and fellowship. Hope you can come, bring a friend and enjoy a good time with other women of faith.

CHAPEL CLASS - Come and join the Chapel Class at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings, as Pastor Henry leads the discussion on now through May 27th concerning the Apostles' Creed, as well as other Presbyterian creeds. Everyone is welcome!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, May 7 through Sunday, May 13

MON - FRI 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Preschool
MON - THUR 8:30 am - 3:00 pm K-Plus

MON 5:00 pm Facilities Committee - Library
5:15 pm Bible Study - Parlor
5:30 pm Social Justice Ministry Team - McAfee Room
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 2 Court of Honor - Sanctuary/
Knox Hall

TUES 9:30 am Bible Study - McAfee Room
1:00 pm Recorder Practice - Choir Room
1:30 pm Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Session Meets - Chapel
7:30 pm Volleyball - Southridge Baptist Church

WED 1:30 pm Presbyterian Women Faith Circle - Heisinger Bluffs, Apt. 327

4:30 pm Serve Supper at Salvation Army
6:00 pm SWAG (Mid Highs)
6:00 pm Miracles & Mission - Library
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm EPIC (Senior Highs)

THUR 12:45 pm Presbyterian Women Afternoon Circle - Library
6:00 pm Family Life Committee - Library
6:00 pm Beasley Basketball - Gym

FRI 10:15 am Meals on Wheels
11:00 am Church Women United Luncheon - Knox Hall
6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

SAT 11:30 am Serve Lunch at Ken Locke Apartments
3:00 pm Hall/Beach Wedding
7:00 pm Piano Recital - Sanctuary

SUN MOTHER'S DAY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

8:30 am Worship Service
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PERU MISSION - Our Peru Crew will be traveling to Peru again in June. We are collecting Over-the-Counter pain medicines and multi-vitamins (not gummy type). There is a box for donations in Knox Hall.