

Lord's Day Worship
World Communion Sunday
October 2, 2022
10:30 AM

Prelude: *O Worship the King*..... arr. Ham/Verner
Gerald Anderson, piano; Charles D. Frost, organ

Welcome

Introit: *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place* Lanny Wolfe
Sanctuary Choir
*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 angel's wings; I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

***Call to Worship** (Lamentations 3:21-23)

Leader: This I call to mind and therefore I have hope:

All: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

Leader: His mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning.

All: Great is Your faithfulness, O Lord!

***Hymn:** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* No. 39

Prayer of Confession (in unison) Rev. Diane Knauf

Merciful God, we confess that at times we obey sin—rather than your Spirit—so that we sin against You in thought, word and deed by what we have done and by what we have not done. We fail to love You with our whole heart and to love our neighbors. We repent of these and all of our sins. Forgive us, Gracious God, and lead us by Your Spirit to delight in Your will and to walk in Your ways to Your glory. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Hear the Good News: In Christ, God has made all things new!

All: Alleluia! In Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

***Response:** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!
Christ breaks the power of reigning sin and sets the prisoner free.
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean;
Christ's blood availed for me!*

***Passing the Peace**

Anthem: *Lauda anima (Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven)* Mark Andrews

Sanctuary Choir
*Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; to His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing: Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!
Father-like He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.
Angels in the height adore Him! Ye behold Him face to face;
Saints triumphant bow before Him! Gathered in from ev'ry race.
Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace. Amen.*

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2

Sermon: *God's Harriers*..... Rev. Dr. Will Robinson

***Affirmation of Faith** (in unison; Nicene Creed)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Life of the Church

Offering

Offertory: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Ham/Varner

***Response:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*No. 606

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn:** *In Christ There Is No East or West*No. 318

***Charge and Benediction**

***Choral Response:**

I Can Hear Your Voice Insisting, CallingHiram Rollo Jr.
trans. Joan Sutton

Sanctuary Choir

I can hear your voice insisting, calling; I am yours and ready to obey.

Help me, Lord, to follow in your footsteps;

Show me clearly your most perfect way.

All I am, and all I have I give you; use my life to serve you ev'ry day.

I would be your instrument, O Lord; here am I;

O Lord, here am I, here am I.

***Postlude:** *Fantasy in A minor* J. S. Bach

(You're invited to remain in worship through the Postlude.)

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (FPC)!

Whether you're a visitor or longtime member, we're glad you're here. We don't look or act alike. God knows we don't think alike. We come with questions, burdens and joys. But every Sunday we worship as one. We pray you'll experience God's presence and foster your faith through today's service.

So we can greet one another by name, complete the fellowship register at the end of each pew, and wear your name tag if you're a member. (If you need a new one, just contact the church.) If you're a visitor, please click on the "Sundays @ FPC" button on our website and complete the brief pop-up form, or complete a Connection Card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate during the Offering or in the basket at the Connection Center in the narthex. **After worship, we invite everyone to enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the Gathering Space.**

“LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME.”

Children are welcome to sit with their parents in worship or to use the Family Worship Center, a space here in the Sanctuary that helps engage children in worship. It has a bookcase of supplies, a learning table and a Faith Formation staff or volunteer guide. We also provide a Bible lesson for children from 10-10:30 AM in Creation Station (upstairs in Room 216), followed by crafts and music. After the crafts and music in Creation Station, children return with FPC staff to the Sanctuary. Child care for infants and toddlers is available from 8:45-11:45 AM in Room 109. If you need to leave with a child, you can listen to this service in the narthex (just outside the Sanctuary’s front doors). To learn more about our children’s ministry, contact Jodi Gregg Krivda at jkrivda@fpchhi.org.

THESE MAY HELP

Large-print bulletins are available; just ask an usher. Hearing devices are available as well. FPC also has a smartphone option that may work with your hearing aid. To use it, go to the App store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android) and download WaveCAST Receiver by Williams Sound. Then log into the FPC Member wifi network (password firstpres [case sensitive]); open WaveCAST; click on FPC Sanctuary; adjust the volume and enjoy the service. Need help? Ask an usher!

ABOUT WORSHIP

Join us every Sunday in person at our 9 AM CrossRoads contemporary service in Fellowship Hall or at this 10:30 AM traditional service here in the Sanctuary. For those unable to attend in person and as an expression of our mission, we provide a livestream of the 10:30 AM service. On your electronic device or smart TV, go to our website and click on “Sunday Service” (as early as 10:15 AM), or go to our YouTube channel. To worship later, a recording of the livestream is available by 2 PM.

The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor and memory her parents, Donald and Helen Kirkpatrick, and her husband, George Pavloff, by Dona Pavloff. The memorial rose is in honor of Charles Gobrecht who entered the Church Triumphant on September 26, 2022. To give flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, contact the church.

FPC staff worship leaders: Dr. S. Russell Floyd, III, Minister of Music; Charles D. Frost, Organist; Beth Green, Children’s Music Director; Jane Jude, Audio/Visual Coordinator; Rev. Diane E. Knauf, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection; Jodi Gregg Krivda, Assistant Director of Faith Formation; Rev. Dr. William E. W. Robinson, Senior Pastor; Lavon Stevens, CrossRoads Worship and Music Director; Jackie Wilhelm, Director of Faith Formation

“YOU’RE INVITED!”

You’re invited to join this family of faith at our next new member class, Sunday, October 23, in Fellowship Hall at 11:45 AM!

IN THE LIFE OF FPC

JOYFUL WORSHIP AND GRACIOUS INVITATION

We welcome the newest members of FPC: Linda Dawson, Tom and Linda Fein, David and Carol Given and Drew Knauf. We thank God for leading them to us and for adding their God-given gifts and faith to this family of faith!

We welcome in worship the following children who participated in our “Welcome to the Lord’s Table” program on September 26: Banks DeChirico, Finn Price, Ellis Russell, and Gabriel Shorter.

FPC’s Visual Arts committee is pleased to display a *fabulous* collection of 26 works of art—some by well-known artists—called *Immanuel/God With Us*. They’re hanging in the South Wing (the hall to the left as you’re leaving the Sanctuary).

PRAYERFUL STUDY

To learn more about our children’s ministry, email Jodi Gregg Krivda at jkrivda@fpchhi.org. To learn more about our youth ministry, email Jackie Wilhelm at jwilhelm@fpchhi.org. Adult Ministry classes and small groups meet on Sundays and throughout the week. To learn more, see “THIS WEEK @ FPC!” in this bulletin and go to fpchhi.org/adult-ministry/ or contact the church.

SACRIFICIAL SERVICE

People In Need (PIN) is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 AM-noon to help people with utility bills, rent and food/supplies from our pantry. The pantry currently needs canned fruit and vegetables.

Help the people of Ukraine by designating a gift to “PDA/Ukraine” via 1) a check made payable to FPC, 2) the GIVE button at fpchhi.org or 3) texting “FPCHHI” to 77977. PDA (Presbyterian Disaster Assistance) works with trusted partners to help refugees from and civilians still in Ukraine.

Help us change lives and make disciples by giving via 1) mailing a check to 540 William Hilton Parkway, HHI, SC 29928, 2) the GIVE button at fpchhi.org or 3) texting "FPCHHI" to 77977. Need help setting up a recurring gift? Email info@fpchhi.org.

CARING CONNECTIONS

Prayer boxes are located in Fellowship Hall and in the narthex. If you complete a prayer request card (beside the box) and drop it in the box, we'll include your prayer in our staff prayers on Tuesdays and on our confidential prayer chain.

If you or a family member will be in the hospital, had a recent hospitalization or would benefit from pastoral care or like communion, contact Rev. Diane Knauf (919-909-2660) or the church (843-681-3696, ext. 245).

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THIS WEEK @ FPC!

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- October 3:** Revelation Bible Study in person (Library) and via Zoom at 10 AM
Sarah Circle in person (Library) and via Zoom at 1:00 PM
- October 4:** Knitting Ministry at 1:30 PM (Library)
- October 5:** Men's Bible Study via Zoom at 9 AM
Women's Spiritual Exercise class in person (Library) and via Zoom at 10:30 AM
FPC Bridge Brigade at 1 PM (Gathering Space)
FPC Kids program from 3-7 PM (Rooms on the second floor)
AiM Youth Choir rehearsal at 4:15 PM (Choir Room)
Lowcountry Lessons class via Zoom at 4:30 PM
Confirmation Class at 6:15 PM (Youth Space)
- October 6:** Civilian Response to Active Shooter event at 10 AM (Sanctuary)
Chair Yoga at 11 AM (Fellowship Hall)
CrossRoads music rehearsal at 1:30 PM (Fellowship Hall)
Meditation group at 4:30 PM (South Room)
Carillon Bell rehearsal at 5:30 PM (Bell Room)
Sanctuary Choir rehearsal at 7 PM (Choir Room)
- October 8:** National Alliance on Mental Illness walk at 8:30 AM (Coligny Beach). Contact Jody Hoffman (914-772-1615) to join the team!
- October 9:** Nursery open from 8:45-11:45 AM (Room 109)
Seekers Sunday School class at 9 AM (Honey Horn Chapel)
Living in the Word Sunday School class at 9 AM (Room 202)
Work in Progress Sunday School class at 9 AM (Library)
CrossRoads Worship at 9 AM (Fellowship Hall)
Fellowship at 10 AM (Gathering Space)
Youth Service Project at 10 AM (Youth Space)
Traditional Worship in person (Sanctuary) and via livestream at 10:30 AM
Fellowship at 11:30 AM (Gathering Space)
JOY Group Sunday School class via Zoom at 11:30 AM
Youth Group from 5-7 PM (Youth Space)

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ON THE HORIZON

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October 13-15: College Ethics Symposium (various rooms)

October 20: Coffee and Conversation at 9:30 AM (Gathering Space)

October 30: Worship Service to install Rev. Diane Knauf at 4 PM (Sanctuary)