

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

We do not often refer to our worship as “liturgy”, but it is. The corporate worship of God’s people is a time when we come together in the public work (the root meaning of “liturgy”) of worshipping the Triune God. Use these moments to prepare not to sit and observe, but to exert yourself in ascribing to God the glory due His name. Sing His praises with fervor and joy! Confess your sin with honesty and humility. Approach His throne of grace boldly in prayer. Attend to His Word with a view toward its application in your life. In all that you do in this coming hour, offer to Him that which you were designed to give, and which He delights to receive through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Andrew Newman

Introit

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Call to Worship

Psalm 46:8-11

Come, behold the works of the LORD, who has wrought desolations in the earth. He makes wars to cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariots with fire. “Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold

§ Psalm

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength (stanzas 1, 3, 4 & 5)

No. 40

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Newman

Corporate Confession of Faith

from the Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, wherefore by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto Him.

§ Congregational Response

No. 737

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever;
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever;
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever.
Christ, we do all adore thee. ~CCLI11347461

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

His Robes for Mine

His robes for mine; oh wonderful exchange! Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered ‘neath God’s rage. Draped in His righteousness, I’m justified. In Christ I live, for in my place He died. I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone. His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread? God’s daunting Law Christ mastered in my stead. Faultless I stand, with righteous works not mine, by my Lord’s vicarious death and life. His robes for mine: God’s justice is appeased. Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father’s pleased. Christ drank God’s wrath on sin, then cried “‘Tis done!” Sin’s wage is paid; propitiation won. I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone. His robes for mine: such anguish none can know. Christ, God’s beloved, condemned as though His foe. He, as though I, accursed and left alone; I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home! I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone. My praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone. ~CCLI11347461

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Newman

§ Hymn

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

No. 165

Scripture Reading

Daniel 1:1-21

Pew Bible page 881

¹In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. ²The Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the vessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the treasury of his god.

³Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, the chief of his officials, to bring in some of the sons of Israel, including some of the royal family and of the nobles, ⁴youths in whom was no defect, who were good-looking, showing intelligence in every branch of wisdom, endowed with understanding and discerning knowledge, and who had ability for serving in the king’s court; and he ordered him to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans. ⁵The king appointed for them a daily ration from the king’s choice food and from the wine which he drank, and appointed that they should be educated three years, at the end of which they were to enter the king’s personal service. ⁶Now among them from the sons of Judah were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. ⁷Then the commander of the officials assigned new names to them; and to Daniel he assigned the name Belteshazzar, to Hananiah Shadrach, to Mishael Meshach and to Azariah Abed-nego.

⁸But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the king’s choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself. ⁹Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials, ¹⁰and the commander of the officials said to Daniel, “I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking more haggard than the youths who are your own age? Then you would make me forfeit my head to the king.” ¹¹But Daniel said to the overseer whom the commander of the officials had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, ¹²“Please test your servants for ten days, and let us be given some vegetables to eat and water to drink. ¹³Then let our appearance be observed in your presence and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king’s choice food; and deal with your servants according to what you see.”

¹⁴So he listened to them in this matter and tested them for ten days. ¹⁵At the end of ten days their appearance seemed better and they were fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king’s choice food. ¹⁶So the overseer continued to withhold their choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept giving them vegetables. ¹⁷As for these four youths, God gave them knowledge and intelligence in every branch of literature and wisdom; Daniel even understood all kinds of visions and dreams. ¹⁸Then at the end of the days which the king had specified for presenting them, the commander of the officials presented them before Nebuchadnezzar. ¹⁹The king talked with them, and out of them all not one was found like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king’s personal service. ²⁰As for every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king consulted them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and conjurers who were in all his realm. ²¹And Daniel continued until the first year of Cyrus the king.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Mr. Vinicius Pimentel

In Babylon but Not of Babylon

§ Psalm

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

No. 92

§ Benediction

Postlude

§ Corporate “Amen”

§ The congregation will please stand.

EVENING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Revelation 1:12-16

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands; and in the middle of the lampstands I saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters. In His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

§ Hymn

Come, Thou Almighty King

No. 101

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Mr. Vinicius Pimentel

New Testament Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Now accept the one who is weak in faith, but not for the purpose of passing judgment on his opinions. One person has faith that he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats vegetables only. The one who eats is not to regard with contempt the one who does not eat, and the one who does not eat is not to judge the one who eats, for God has accepted him. Who are you to judge the servant of another? To his own master he stands or falls; and he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

One person regards one day above another, another regards every day alike. Each person must be fully convinced in his own mind. He who observes the day, observes it for the Lord, and he who eats, does so for the Lord, for he gives thanks to God; and he who eats not, for the Lord he does not eat, and gives thanks to God. For not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself; for if we live, we live for the Lord, or if we die, we die for the Lord; therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that He might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

But you, why do you judge your brother? Or you again, why do you regard your brother with contempt? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, “As I LIVE, SAYS THE LORD, EVERY KNEE SHALL BOW TO ME, AND EVERY TONGUE SHALL GIVE PRAISE TO GOD.”

So then each one of us will give an account of himself to God.

§ Hymn

Jesus, I Live to Thee

No. 516

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Lamb of God

Lynn Tate, flute; Cathy Lawton, piano

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Mr. Pimentel

§ Psalm

That Man Is Blessed Who, Fearing God

No. 558

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 4:4-12

Pew Bible page 672

⁴I have seen that every labor and every skill which is done is the result of rivalry between a man and his neighbor. This too is vanity and striving after wind. ⁵The fool folds his hands and consumes his own flesh. ⁶One hand full of rest is better than two fists full of labor and striving after wind.

⁷Then I looked again at vanity under the sun. ⁸There was a certain man without a dependent, having neither a son nor a brother, yet there was no end to all his labor. Indeed, his eyes were not satisfied with riches and he never asked, “And for whom am I laboring and depriving myself of pleasure?” This too is vanity and it is a grievous task.

⁹Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labor. ¹⁰For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls when there is not another to lift him up. ¹¹Furthermore, if two lie down together they keep warm, but how can one be warm alone? ¹²And if one can overpower him who is alone, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Pastor Andrew Newman

Lessons in Kingdom Work

§ Hymn

For All the Saints

No. 358

§ Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Notes:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pew Cards: *If you are new to Fellowship, please help us get to know you by filling out a pew card and dropping it in the offering plate. ~Thank you!*

Wednesday Night Supper & Service:

**5:30 PM: Catered Supper—\$3.50/ adult (ages 11 & up);
\$2.50/child (ages 10 & under) \$15 max/family; sign-up is required.**

***Please indicate on a pew card the number of adults & children attending this week's supper;**
the menu is BBQ sandwiches, veggie tray, chips, and dessert. **Food is served until 6:10 pm.**

6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children); High Point (youth).

Adult Sunday School Classes, 10:00 AM:

Assurance of Salvation, taught by Terry Richards, will meet in the fellowship hall.

The Three Epistles of John, taught by Jeff Wayne, Sr., will meet in the sanctuary.

Early Morning Bible Study (Philippians, led by Pastor Martin), will not meet April 18 or 25, but will resume Tuesday, May 3, 6:30—7:30 am.

Ladies' Precepts Bible Study resumes this Tuesday, April 18, 9:45 am; childcare available.

Ladies, you are invited to a

Baby Shower in honor of Mallory Unger (& daughter!) ~ Saturday, April 29, 2:00 pm!

Mallory is registered on Babylist (babylist.com/list/baby-mallory-unger).

Youth Fellowship at Church ~ Saturday, April 22, 5:00—8:00 pm:

Bring a friend for dinner and yard games ~ Save the date!

Youth Baseball Night ~ Friday, April 28 ~ Fluor Field

Those attending , remember to meet 6:00 pm at the church or 6:30 pm at the ballpark

Sunday Evening, May 7:

Farewell Reception for Vinicius, Laura, and Lucas Pimentel

Save the date!

Summer Supper Clubs: June—July—August 2023!

Couples and individuals may sign up now (in the narthex or online) to be assigned to a supper club that will meet once a month during June, July, and August. Meeting times and places are determined by each group. This is a great way to get to know new people or deepen existing relationships. Please contact Becky Taylor for questions or more information.

VBS/ Summer SeaQuest ~ June 19—23 ~ Save the date!

Reminder, all pledges are confidential! After you complete your pledge card, please:

- **Place your pledge card in the “Pledge Card Box” in the sanctuary narthex.**
- **Give your pledge card to FPC's treasurer, Brian Medlin.**
- **Mail you pledge card to FPC (Attn: Treasurer)**

Brochures of the Future Discipleship Building (with pledge cards attached) are available in the narthex.



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

April 16, 2023

*Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by
reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ
and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.*

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20

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THE SESSION:

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin
Ruling Elders: Craig Bouvier, John Kuhfuss, Terry Richards,
Tim Taylor, Jeff Wayne, Sr., Jeff Wayne, Jr.
Elder of the Month: Tim Taylor

THE DIACONATE:

Deacons: Pat DeJong, Jared Farquhar, Dave Frengel,
Brian Medlin, Kelly Peterson, Philip Triplett
Deacon of the Week: Dave Frengel

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Pastor Andrew Newman

COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Peter Spink

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Michael Weaver

CHURCH INTERN: Vinicius Pimentel

ACCOMPANISTS:

Piano, Beverly Brouwer & Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farquhar

MISSIONARIES & BENEVOLENCE MINISTRIES:

Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kona—Albania
Rev & Mrs. Alonzo Ramirez—Peru
Rev. & Mrs. Todd Crusey—London
Rev. & Mrs. John Blevins—NW Knoxville
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