

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

Why have you been brought to Christ? It is to worship!
There will come a day when we no longer study God’s Word,
no longer repent of sin, no longer proclaim the gospel to the lost;
but there will never come a time when the saints do not worship.
Let us come together now and meet with God as His people,
offering up the worship that He is due and tasting of that which we will enjoy eternally.

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Marty Martin

Introit

At the Name of Jesus

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-6

Sing to the LORD a new song;
Sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, bless His name;
Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.
Tell of His glory among the nations,
His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.
For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;
He is to be feared above all gods.
For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
But the LORD made the heavens.
Splendor and majesty are before Him,
Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

§ Psalm

Before Jehovah’s Awesome Throne

No. 65

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Andrew Newman

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 73:1-14

Surely God is good to Israel,
To those who are pure in heart!
But as for me, my feet came close to stumbling,
My steps had almost slipped.
For I was envious of the arrogant
As I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
For there are no pains in their death,
And their body is fat.
They are not in trouble as other men,
Nor are they plagued like mankind.
Therefore pride is their necklace;
The garment of violence covers them.
Their eye bulges from fatness;
The imaginations of their heart run riot.
They mock and wickedly speak of oppression;
They speak from on high.
They have set their mouth against the heavens,
And their tongue parades through the earth.

Therefore his people return to this place,
And waters of abundance are drunk by them.
They say, “How does God know?
And is there knowledge with the Most High?”
Behold, these are the wicked;
And always at ease, they have increased in wealth.
Surely in vain I have kept my heart pure
And washed my hands in innocence;
For I have been stricken all day long
And chastened every morning.

§ Hymn

O Father, You Are Sovereign
(stanzas 1, 2 & 4)

No. 75

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Psalm 121

I lift my eyes unto the hills, the hills from where my help is come. My help, it cometh from the Lord who made heaven, heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved, neither will He sleep. The Lord is thy keeper, the Lord is thy shade. The sun shall not smite thee by day; the moon shall not smite thee by night. The Lord shall protect thee from ev’ry evil, He shall preserve thy soul forever, forever, forever. I lift my eyes unto the hills, the hills from where my help is come. My help, it cometh from the Lord who made heaven, heaven and earth. Amen. Amen. ~CCLI 11347461

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Martin

§ Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

No. 690

Scripture Reading

I Corinthians 15:50-58

Pew Bible page 1153

⁵⁰Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. ⁵⁴But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, “DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory. ⁵⁵O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?” ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; ⁵⁷but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁵⁸Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Steadfast In Hope

Pastor Martin

§ Hymn

For All the Saints
(stanzas 1, 2, 3 & 6)

No. 358

§ Benediction

§ Corporate “Amen”

EVENING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 84:1-2

How lovely are Your dwelling places, O LORD of hosts! My soul longed and even yearned for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

§ Psalm

God Is Known among His People

No. 66

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Pastor Marty Martin

New Testament Reading

II Peter 2:17-22

These are springs without water and mists driven by a storm, for whom the black darkness has been reserved. For speaking out arrogant words of vanity they entice by fleshly desires, by sensuality, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error, promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved. For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world by the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and are overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from the holy commandment handed on to them. It has happened to them according to the true proverb, “A DOG RETURNS TO ITS OWN VOMIT,” and, “A sow, after washing, returns to wallowing in the mire.”

§ Hymn

O God beyond All Praising

No. 660

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

I Stand Amazed

Steve Lawton, baritone; Cathy Lawton, piano

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Pastor Andrew Newman

§ Psalm

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

No. 149

Scripture Reading

Genesis 43:1-14

Pew Bible page 47

¹Now the famine was severe in the land. ²So it came about when they had finished eating the grain which they had brought from Egypt, that their father said to them, “Go back, buy us a little food.” ³Judah spoke to him, however, saying, “The man solemnly warned us, ‘You shall not see my face unless your brother is with you.’ ⁴If you send our brother with us, we will go down and buy you food. ⁵But if you do not send him, we will not go down; for the man said to us, ‘You will not see my face unless your brother is with you.’” ⁶Then Israel said, “Why did you treat me so badly by telling the man whether you still had another brother?” ⁷But they said, “The man questioned particularly about us and our relatives, saying, ‘Is your father still alive? Have you another brother?’ So we answered his questions. Could we possibly know that he would say, ‘Bring your brother down?’” ⁸Judah said to his father Israel, “Send the lad with me and we will arise and go, that we may live and not die, we as well as you and our little ones. ⁹I myself will be surety for him; you may hold me responsible for him. If I do not bring him back to you and set him before you, then let me bear the blame before you forever. ¹⁰For if we had not delayed, surely by now we could have returned twice.” ¹¹Then their father Israel said to them, “If it must be so, then do this: take some of the best products of the land in your bags, and carry down to the man as a present, a little balm and a little honey, aromatic gum and myrrh, pistachio nuts and almonds. ¹²Take double the money in your hand, and take back in your hand the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks; perhaps it was a mistake. ¹³Take your brother also, and arise, return to the man; ¹⁴and may God Almighty grant you compassion in the sight of the man, so that he will release to you your other brother and Benjamin. And as for me, if I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.”

Proclamation of God’s Word

Pastor Martin

Providential Necessities

§ Hymn

’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

No. 679

§ Benediction

§ The congregation will please stand.

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, chips, veggie tray, and dessert. **Food is served until 6:10 pm.**

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

Adult Sunday School Class, 10:00 AM, Fellowship Hall: An Apology of the Christian Faith (taught by Craig Bouvier) meets at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Women’s Fall Bible Studies (brochures available in the narthex):

Ladies’ Precepts Bible Study of Hebrews resumes Tuesday, September 5, 9:45 AM (childcare is available), **Book cost is \$7** (In & Out version) or **\$10** (Precepts).

Women’s Study, “Confronting Christianity” by Rebecca McLaughlin, begins Thursday, September 7, 7:00 pm: this study, led by Susan Raines, meets in the fellowship hall **every other Thursday night.**

New Inquirers’ Class: Friday & Saturday, September 8 & 9:

*This two day **Inquirers’ Class**, taught by Pastor Martin, is an **opportunity for newcomers** and **those considering membership** to learn more about who we are, what we believe and how we seek to serve. **Sign-up in the narthex or online;** **childcare available (sign up for childcare is requested).***

Friday, September 8:

5:30 pm: Catered supper (from Taziki’s); **sign-up requested.**
6:30—8:30 pm: Inquirers’ Class Sessions 1 & 2

Saturday, September 9:

8:30 am: Continental Breakfast
9:00—12 noon: Inquirers’ Class Sessions 3- 5

Service Opportunity! If you are looking for an opportunity to serve in the church, **volunteers are needed to assist with the communion set up** (set up typically takes less than an hour). We celebrate communion the first Sunday morning of each month, the third Sunday evening of every other month, and a couple of other times on special occasions. If you are interested in serving in this area, please contact Tiffani Medlin. ~Thank you!

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox List: In order to send out as many OCC boxes as possible, we are collecting various items each month to be used to pack **additional/ extra OCC boxes.** Please place your items in the OCC collection basket located in the narthex. ~Thank you! **August**—hygiene and clothing items.

*There will be a meeting of the **FPC Corporation on Sunday, September 10, following morning worship, for the purpose of presenting the 2023/2024 budget as information and electing FPC corporation officers.***

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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.
Elder of the Month: Terry Richards

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

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
Rev. & Mrs. Michael Romer—Poland/ Ukraine
Greenville Theological Seminary
Greer Community Ministries
Miracle Hill Ministries

Rev. & Mrs. Will Traub—Scotland
Rev. & Mrs. Gary Watanabe—Tokyo
Rev. & Mrs. Rob Hamby—Daniel Island
Rev & Mrs. Miguel D’Azevedo—Okinawa
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August 20, 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