

GATHERING

Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but Your own. Help us to seek and be able to follow Your will. May our prayers be joined with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith, that together we may glorify Your name and enjoy Your fellowship forever. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Souper Bowl of Caring

PRELUDE

How Firm a Foundation
Emmy Barat, horn; Norah Barat, percussion

American Folk Melody

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Oliver Dowling

The righteous gives good advice to friends,

but the way of the wicked leads astray.

A friend loves at all times,

and kinsfolk are born to share adversity.

Some friends play at friendship

but a true friend sticks closer than one's nearest kin.

* **HYMN 465**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord, You come to us, but we do not recognize You; You call, but we do not follow; You command, but we do not obey, You bless us, but we do not thank You. Lord, You accept us, but we do not accept others; You forgive us, but we do not forgive those who wrong us; You love us, but we do not love our neighbors. Lord, show us how to carry out Your mission and not our own so that we, like You, see the outcast, the needy, and the poor. May we, like You, give up our comfortable lives so we can help others. Now, O Lord, transform us as we continue our confession in silence.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **ACT OF PRAISE**

Gloria Patri

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. Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Parker Lundy

GOSPEL READING

John 15:14-17 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

NT pg. 109

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM**Christ Be Magnified**Carnes, Hulse, Asbury
arr. Galbraith

Were creation suddenly articulate with a thousand tongues to lift one cry. Then from north to south and east to west we'd hear Christ be magnified. Were the whole earth echoing His eminence His name would burst from sea and sky. From rivers to the mountain tops we'd hear Christ be magnified. Singing O Christ be magnified, just let His praise arise, Christ be magnified in me yeah. Singing O Christ be magnified, from the altar of my life, Christ be magnified in me. When ev'ry creature finds its inmost melody, and ev'ry human heart its native cry. Then in one enraptured hymn of praise we'll sing Christ be magnified.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11 A.M.)

Emerson Hults and Norah Barat

*(Afterward, children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will be dismissed to Kids-4-God.)**** HYMN 306****Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

DENNIS

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Emmy Barat

This is the Word of the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 5:11-19 (NRSV)

Thanks be to God.

NT pg. 210

SERMON**Relationships: How Others Influence Us
and How We Influence Others**Kaylee Bleeker
Breezy Dowling**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Marin Best

RESPONDING*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Granger Grote

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; on 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.

OFFERING**OFFERTORY ANTHEM****Encourage One Another**

M. Burrows

Encourage one another, and build up each other. Be the hands of friendship. Be the feet of action. Be the heart of peace and hope, of kindness and care, and love we all share. Be the ears that listen, be the words that comfort. Be the song that sings out strong of wonder and light, of joy taking flight. Encourage one another, and build up each other. Be the hands, be the heart, be the song, and build up each other.

*** 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.*

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Kate Lundy

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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:30 A.M.)

(Gluten-Free Bread)

SENDING*** HYMN 730****I Sing a Song of the Saints of God**

GRAND ISLE

*** BENEDICTION***** POSTLUDE****Voluntary**

R. Bradley

TODAY IN WORSHIP

MINISTRY STAFF: Mark Hults, Fred Lundy, Scott Stuart

YOUTH CONNECTION: Emmy Barat, Norah Barat, Marin Best, Owen Best, Kaylee Bleeker, Amelia Birkner, Elizabeth Birkner, Alex Conerly, Zack Conerly, Kim de Fretes, Breezy Dowling, Oliver Dowling, Granger Grote, Emerson Hults, Kate Lundy, Parker Lundy, Dania Moreno, Ginger Neuhaus, Maylean Sylvester, Koi Tillery, Elijah West, Josie Williams

ELDER ON DUTY: Fleetwood Fleming, Geoff Spiegel

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & ORGANIST: Mitch Rorick

CONDUCTOR: April Basiletti

SENIOR CHOIR AND YOUTH CHOIR

CHAPEL USHER: Dan Sutton; **SANCTUARY USHERS:** Roger Bachmann, Paul Bennett, Cameron Currie, Maralyn Foote, Perry Foote

VIDEO TEAM: Norah Barat, Owen Best, Troy Bleeker, Oliver Dowling, John Rayl; **SOUND:** Bruce Brashear

THE FLOWERS IN WORSHIP are given to the glory of God and in memory of Carter R. Gilbert by the Gilbert family.

THANK YOU for worshiping with us today. Please join us in Gordon Hall following the 11 a.m. worship service for a time of refreshments and fellowship with our church family sponsored by the College Ministry.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that His presence will sustain you in the week ahead. Visitors are welcome to participate in the worship and the work of First Presbyterian Church. You can find a "Three Steps to Membership" card with information about how to join the church in the pew racks. If you feel a call to commit your life to Jesus Christ and His Church, please speak to the pastor or an elder after worship.

Prayer of Belief: *Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.* (If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please let the pastor or elders on duty know.)

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FPC Weekly Figures

In-Person Attendance 1/21	154
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$35,061
Received Week of 1/21/24	\$33,582
Weekly Offering	\$17,790
Designated Offerings	\$4,553
Other Revenue	--
Preschool	\$11,240
YTD Budget Requirements	\$1,051,817
YTD Received	\$1,087,555
YTD Expenses	\$923,243

PRAYER

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.

TEXT: Joseph Scriven, 1855; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001
 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868
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CONVERSE
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GOSPEL READING

John 15:14-17 (NRSV)

¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I 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. ¹⁶You 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. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE CHURCH

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Thessalonians 5:11-19 (NRSV)

¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. ¹²But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labor among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; ¹³esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. ¹⁴And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. ¹⁵See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. ¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. ¹⁹Do not quench the Spirit.

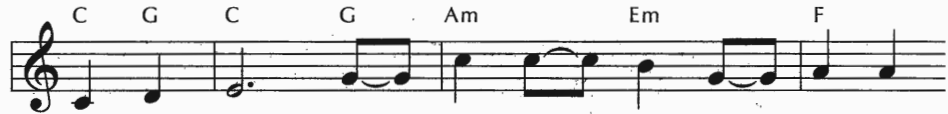
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Thanks be to God.

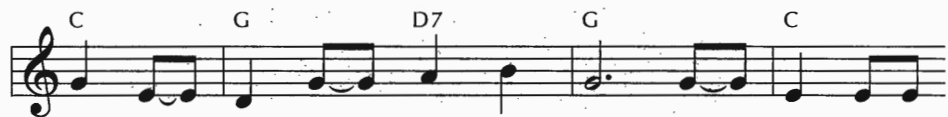
I Sing a Song of the Saints of God 730



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, pa - tient and
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and God's love
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past; there are hun - dreds of



brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and
 made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for Je - sus'
 thou - sands still; the world is bright with the joy - ous



died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a
 sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a
 saints who love to do Je - sus' will. You can meet them in



doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep - herd - ess
 sol - dier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a
 school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in



on the green: they were all of them saints of
 fierce wild beast: and there's not an - y rea - son,
 shops, or at tea; for the saints of God are just



God, and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Despite the quaintness of some of the language in this text, it has an important message to communicate about the down-to-earth ordinariness of the holy people of God at all times and places. The tune name honors the island in Vermont's Lake Champlain where the composer lived.

TEXT: Lesbia Scott, 1929, alt.
 MUSIC: John Henry Hopkins, 1940
 Text © 1929 Lesbia Scott (admin. Church Publishing, Inc.)

GRAND ISLE
 Irregular

GLORIFY GOD

Thank you to the crew that came yesterday to clean and organize the church kitchen. We are grateful for your time and service.

Thank you to all who attended the FSU Concert. The offering of \$1,855 will purchase water filters through Filter of Hope that will be taken to Cameroon next month. If you were unable to attend but would like to contribute, you may place a check in the offering plate, today only, payable to First Presbyterian Church, memo "Concert for a Cause - Filters." Also thank you to the team who hosted dinner for the college students after the concert.

1stpc Music Lunch Series: Join us Tuesdays in February at 12:15 p.m. for 25-minute concerts with guest musicians followed by lunch. Bring your own lunch or purchase one for \$5. Tuesday, February 6 features vocalists Dr. Christopher Pfund and Lynette Pfund and pianist Shanna Thompson.

MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

Nursery Care (6 weeks old through pre-kindergarten) is available on Sundays from 10:45 a.m. through the end of the 11 a.m. worship service. Email Jenna Mueller at jdmueller2009@gmail.com with questions or to sign up. Families, please find the sign-in cart upstairs in the Christian Education building by room 204. ***The nursery is seeking the donation of a pack 'n play for the nursery as well as the following items for a Nursing room: glider, white noise machine, bassinet, and changing table.*

Children's Worship Guides are located in the narthex, and Gordon Hall. Pick one up before the service to help your child participate in worship and return the bags to the baskets after the service.

Time for Young Disciples: All children are invited to the front steps for a special lesson during 11 a.m. worship. Afterward, children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will be dismissed to Kids-4-God and all others will return to sit with their families.

Kids-4-God: Children (K-2) will gather in Room 217 after the Time for Young Disciples to engage with their faith through the end of the service. Families will reunite with their children in Gordon Hall following the worship service. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Evelyn Lewis at citytr122@gmail.com.

LOGOS: (Ages 3 through high school) Gather this Wednesday, January 31 from 3:30-6:45 p.m. for Western Night at LOGOS, which includes worship arts, Bible time, recreation, and fellowship for children and youth with \$5 family time dinner at 6 p.m. Email Bev Vloedman, dvloedman@aol.com, with questions or to RSVP for dinner.

College Café: All college students are invited to join us in Gordon Hall for refreshments following 11 a.m. worship. Thank you to College Trajectory for hosting today's fellowship in honor of our youth! If you are

interested in serving a meal to the college students, please contact Scott Stuart.

The Young Adult Ministry invites you to join us Friday, February 9 for an evening of dinner, encouragement, and equipping for parents and caregivers with special guest Alicia Pfahler, LMHC. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. The program will begin at 7:00 and end by 9:00 p.m. Dinner and dessert are FREE. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate children or provide childcare for this event. Thank you for your understanding. To RSVP, contact Fred Lundy.

Multiply Sunday Class: Meet upstairs in room 201 on the second floor of the Education Wing at 9:45 a.m. as we continue our study of Hebrews in chapter 10.

Gordon Hoover Sunday School: Meet in the Church Library at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Enter through the Mary Gate or the sanctuary. All are welcome! Email Perry Foote at palbertfoote@gmail.com with questions.

January 28	1 Corinthians 11	Bob Bailey
February 4	1 Corinthians 12	Tim Schubert

MEET HUMAN NEEDS


Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence: Marilyn Ast, Melda Bassett, Jayne Fox, Carol Hayes-Christiansen, Kay Koons, Elizabeth Miller, and Marjorie Pedrick. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Matt Gowdy, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez and Paul Samala.

Ushers Needed for February: Ushers greet parishioners, distribute bulletins, and help people to a seat. They also take up a collection at the offering time. Please contact Laura Montgomery in the office by phone or email to fill this need at the 11 a.m. worship service.

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Year-End Contribution Statements will be sent upon request. Please contact Trudy Bonerba at business@1stpc.org or through the church office and specify if you prefer email or regular mail.

Calling All Cooks! Youth Connection is hosting the Souper Bowl of Caring on Sunday, February 11 at noon. As a church, we raise funds for Gainesville Community Ministry, who feeds the hungry. We hope to serve over twenty types of soup and in return collect many donations. If you are interested in making a crock pot of soup, please email Fred Lundy or call (352) 378-1527, by Sunday, February 4.

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