

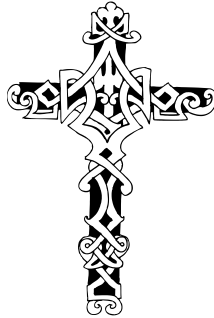
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WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am

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Sunday, September 13, 2020

8:30am

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

"Jesus, Lead Thou On" – Young
"Meditation on 'Rockingham'" - Haas

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: My God, My God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You far from saving me?

People: O my God, I cry out by day but You do not answer, by night I am not silent.

Leader: In You O Lord our ancestors put their trust and You delivered them.

People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

No. 276

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

O God, in mystery and silence You are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. You do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Forgive our failure to see Your hand in the unfolding of our lives and our indifference that allows wrong to go unchecked so that we are overcome rather than overcoming evil with good. Enable us so to live as to lessen the flood of human sorrow and to aid others to live by faith in Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another.]

HYMN

"Jesus Loves 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.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

"It Is Well" - Faircloth

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Luke 19:41-44; John 11:30-36

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Lamentations 1:1-4; 3:21-24

SERMON

"Tears Are a Language God Understands"

Rev. David Drain

HYMN

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

No. 404

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

No. 403

BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"*

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

"Postlude in G Minor" - Bach



Next Week
Psalm 91
Matthew 6:9-13
"Deliver Us From Evil"

Prayers for the week

Medical personnel

Military personnel

Theresa Rineer, recovering from surgery at home

Don Emig—Lancaster Rehab Hospital

Dorothy Welk

Jane Mitchell, aunt of Janet Fitzgibbon, broken hip

11:00 Service

Greeting & Announcements

Praise & Worship

Freedom

Desert Song

Reckless Love

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

First Scripture Reading: Luke 19:41-44; John 11:30-36

Second Scripture Reading: Lamentations 1:1-4; 3:21-24

Sermon: *"Tears Are a Language God Understands"*

Closing Song

It Is Well

Benediction

Welcome back this morning to the Rev. David Drain. Rev. Drain has been in our pulpit many times in the past and he is one of our favorites! He is a retired Presbyterian pastor and lives with his wife at Willow Valley.

The Roses are given by the Board of Deacons in memory of Mary Taylor, who died August 30, and Brady, grandson of Bette Davis.

A new Bible Study starting: Beginning Wednesday, September 16 at 10:00 am, join Pastor John Hartman and Pastor Bob Bronkema for a one hour show online as they discuss some of the contemporary issues in sports today, and look at them through a theological lens. Each will bring their own perspectives on the perks and plagues in the sports world, and dissect them through a Christian worldview. By the way, they may not always agree! This study is not reviewing the details of the last two minutes of a game the previous night, or questioning a coach's decision from Sunday to go for it on 4th down, but to dig deeper and explore the faith elements woven into our sports culture. We will take questions from viewers, and look forward to a lively discussion.

Our Great Beginnings Preschool will be opening in a few weeks and they are always very appreciative of your donations. It helps to keep the tuition costs down! There is a bin in the library area for your donations. Needed are: paper plates, napkins, Kleenex, 5 oz. cups, crackers, pretzel, animal crackers, cookies, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish, popcorn, cheese balls.

The work of FPC continues: I hope you are able to see that the work of FPC continues and that all of the staff are still working hard to keep us connected and to keep the light of Christ shining within the community. While programmatically things may have shifted, we are still looking to provide a family for those who don't know Christ, for those who want to grow in Christ, and for those who want to go with Christ. This not only takes time and planning, it also takes resources. We fully realize that we are in a time that we are going to have to rely even more on the providence and provision of God during this time. You can play an enormous role in helping us meet the needs for our staffing and our programs during this time when we are not able to collect any tithes in person. There are a couple of different ways that you can give your tithes and contribute to the work of FPC. One way is to send your tithe and offering checks to First Presbyterian Church at 101 S. Decatur Street, Strasburg, Pa 17579. Just make it out to First Presbyterian and our financial accountant will take care of it. Another way to give of your tithes and offerings is online. Here is the address of the church website. <http://www.straspres.org/> Once you go to our church website you click the donate button. From there if you are on your home computer look at the top of the page and click on computer giving. From there click on go to engage egiving. From there you can either create an account if you wanted to give more frequently and if you wanted to give in a recurring way, or if you just wanted to give a one-time gift then you click create a gift and it gives you similar options. You can pay either by credit card or by ACH, your bank information. Please take the time to make your offerings have an impact on your community at this time. If you have any questions about electronic giving please give me a call at 717-799-0777. I can walk you through it.

Mission & Finance Committee: Monday at 7:00pm

Personnel Committee: Tuesday at 5:00pm in Rm. 5

Session: Wednesday at 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall

Calendar of Events: **Links can also be found on FPC Website Homepage 2 or 3**

Sunday

8:30am Worship

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10am Children's Sunday School with Beth Feiler

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYMTmNZtwbu4z-FyEEtLrHA>

Wired Word Sunday School Class

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86946473973?pwd=dUt4bVlOWDErcG4xYTluOTB0TXUrQT09>

Meeting ID: 869 4647 3973 Passcode: 355650 or word

11am Worship

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6pm Youth Group Sunday evening at church

Thursday 6pm Bible Study

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