

The People of First Presbyterian Church

OUR GATHERING

The Prelude Sarabande from French Suite #1 in d minor

J.S. Bach

Striking the Hour

Choral Call to Worship

Restore in Us, O God

Baylor

"Three –personed God, fulfill the promise of your grace, that we, when all our searching ends, may see you face to face."

Welcome, Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Call to Worship

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

And also with you

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;

Everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Let us worship God.

+The Opening Hymn, 490

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters See Attached

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Jesus Christ spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach those who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Choral Prayer Response

Kurio

Arr. J. Rouse

"Lord have mercy on us; Christ have mercy on us"

Assurance of Pardon

THE WORD

Musical Offering

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Thomas and Hillary Richardson

The Word of God

John 11: 1-45

Sermon "God's Grief" Reverend B.J. Chain

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer

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.

OUR RESPONSE

+Affirmation of Faith from Romans 8

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria Patri, 581 Glory Be to the Father

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.

+Hymn, 775

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

Call for the Offering

Offertory

My Lord What a Mornin'

Arr. Mark Hayes

+Doxology, 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.

Prayer of Dedication

Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you. Amen

THE SENDING

+Sending, 735 I Nee

I Need Thee Every Hour

Lowry

+Charge and Benediction

+Postlude Gavotte in G Major

J.S. Bach

+ Indicates a time to stand as you are comfortable in doing so

Please join in unison reading of the bold print $% \left\{ \mathbf{r}^{\prime}\right\} =\mathbf{r}^{\prime}$

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Bonnie Boyd-4 Eric Waits-4 Fran Brown-1

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group

Class of 2020
Gary GoodwinLee Hackett-1

Class of 202

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Class of 2022
Harolyn JonesElizabeth Lott-

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We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church!

A **Nursery** is available in the Education Building for the youngest worshipers (birth through six years old). Miss Scherrel Sturdivant has cared for many little Presbyterians and friends over the years. Her Assistant is Mileka Nelson.

Restrooms are located on both floors in the Education Building. Follow the signs or ask a friendly face who will be happy to help you find anything you need.

Prayer Concerns

Beth Feland

Diane Keen

Carol Jones Sister Health Concerns

Jim & Jane Hunt

Health Concerns

James Jones

Health Concerns

John Earhart

Health Concerns

Dustin Dollar

Continued Recovery

Toni Arnold

(Ed Oakes Sister) Recovery from Fall

Robert Tomlinson

(Christy Lees Husband)
Continued Recovery

Leigh Wallace—17 years old

(Niece of Sam & Victoria Bobo')
Recently diagnosed with
Hodgkin's Lymphoma
If you would like to send
Well Wishes please do so:
Leigh Wallace
P.O. Box 496
Collinsville, MS 39325

If you'd like to add a name to the prayer list, please use the book on the table in the Narthex.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

Worship, and **all other church meetings** are still suspended until further notice based upon the most recent developments.

Join us for Live-stream Worship this Sunday at 10:00 am. Website: Firstprescolumbus.org
Youtube: FirstPresbyterianChurch-Columbus

Even if we cannot gather as a congregation, we hope to provide the usual prayer, worship, and sermon for you to enjoy at home.

The Church Office will remain open during our normal weekly hours. Tracie and I will be available to coordinate any sort of care or assistance for members of the congregation and the community.

Offering. We urge you to continue your giving either by mail-in offering or by dropping it off in the office with Tracie. Mail to: First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 9681, Columbus, MS 39705

The church has made the commitment to continue to pay all church employees despite a decrease in work so as not to add any undue stress upon they or their families.

We also seek to continue our community involvement as much as it depends on us. This includes the Backpack Program, Loaves and Fishes, and others.

I want to again stress that **you have our support**. Let myself or any of your deacons and elders know if you need assistance. This especially includes retrieving groceries or any supplies you may need on your behalf.

We will continue to be a community of believers called to love God and love one-another. Assist me as I assist you with these newfound obstacles.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have any questions, concerns, or further suggestions please contact me at (662) 816-2352 or bjchainiv@gmail.com.

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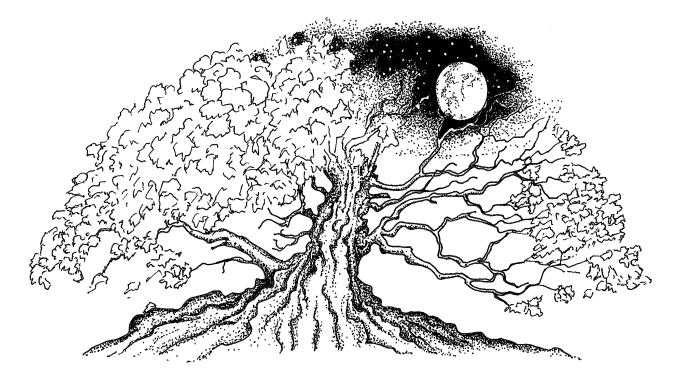
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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

"God's Grief"



Reverend B. J. Chain March 29, 2020

First Presbyterian Church of Columbus Join us as we sing

Date: March 29, 2020

Opening Hymn: #490 Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

"Wash, O God, your sons and daughters,

newborn creatures of your womb.

Number them among your people

raised like Christ from death and tomb.

Weave them garments bright and sparkling;

Compass them with love and light.

Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,

Holy dove and heart's delight.

O how deep your holy wisdom!

Unimagined, all your ways!

To your name be glory, honor!

With our lives we worship praise!

We your people stand before you,

Waterwashed and Spirit born.

By your grace, our lives we offer.

Recreate us; God, transform!

Choral Prayer Response: Kyrie ~~Arr. J. Rouse

"Lord have mercy on us; Christ have mercy on us"

Offertory Hymn: #775 I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

"I want Jesus to walk with me,

All along my pilgrim journey.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me

When my head is bowed in sorrow,

I want Jesus to walk with me."

Offertory: My Lord What a Mornin' Arr. Mark Hayes

"My Lord, what a mornin' when the stars begin to fall.

Done guit all my worldly ways, joined that heavenly band."

Sending Hymn: #735 I Need Thee Every Hour ~~Lowry

"I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;

No tender voice like thine can peace afford.

REFRAIN:

I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!

O bless me now, my Savior – I come to thee!

I need thee every hour, Most Holy One;

O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son.

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