

# **First Presbyterian Church**

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## **10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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**Welcome to our Worship Service!**

**We are so glad you are here.**

**August 9, 2020**

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### **WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION**

**PRELUDE** – *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* . . . . . arr. Albin Whitworth

### **PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION**

### **\*HYMN – How Great Thou Art**

**O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!**

### **PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS**

Lord, please forgive our weakness and our lack of trust in you. We are like the disciples who, in the midst of fears and storms, could only tremble and wonder about the threatening events. Even when Jesus called to the disciples, they shook with fear. But Jesus offered words of encouragement. Peter stepped over the edge onto the waves—but fear claimed him again and he began to sink. Many of us can identify with that moment when we let go of our faith and clutch onto our fears. Help us to place our trust totally in you and your call to us. You will guide and lift us to safety. Give us strong hearts and willing spirits to be your disciples. **AMEN.**

**A TIME OF SILENCE**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*AMAZING GRACE**

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me.**

**I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.**

**THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Solo - *In Christ Alone* . . . . . arr. Lloyd Larson**

J'Von Brown, soloist

**SCRIPTURE READINGS - Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33 (NRSV)**

**Romans 10:5-15**

Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: “The person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that is by faith says: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the deep?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

**Matthew 14:22-33**

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** ..... Reverend Geoffrey J. McLean  
**Chaos and Peace**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER - Debtors version**

**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.  
FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS,  
AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.  
LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.  
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.  
FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,  
THE POWER AND THE GLORY. AMEN.**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**

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**\*OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison)**

**The richness of God’s mercy is poured over us every minute of our lives, even when we least expect it. We offer our gifts and tithes in gratitude for all that God does for and with us, that we might become better servants of the Gospel. Lord of sea and storm, of sunshine and meadow, we present these offerings as tokens of our lives in grateful praise for your love for us. Use these gifts for the ministries of hope and justice in this, your broken world. We ask this in Jesus’ name. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN – Live Into Hope**

**Live into hope of captives freed, of sight regained, the end of greed.  
The oppressed shall be the first to see The year of God's own jubilee!**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name . . . . . Charles Callahan  
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**This morning, we welcome Reverend Geoffrey J. McLean to our pulpit. Rev. McLean is the Associate Executive of our Presbytery. In his work in the Presbytery, Geoffrey focuses on congregational vibrancy. Before coming to South Florida, he served as pastor in three different congregations: one in Indiana, one in Mississippi, and most recently as pastor at Christ Presbyterian in Fairfax, Virginia. He also has served as a volunteer firefighter, is trained as a certified leadership coach, and blogs at <http://www.viewsfromtheroof.com/>.**

**Facebook Live! — Broadcast at Noon, each Monday through Friday**

**Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – Prayer on the Patio**

**Sunday: 10:15 a.m. – Live Streaming of Worship Service**

**Sunday: 11:15 a.m. - Zoom meeting Bible study and prayer time**

**Remember - everyone is always invited, welcomed and loved!**



**WELCOME VISITORS!**

**It is our hope that you will feel invited, welcomed, and loved as you worship with us.** First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to families, peacemaking, and mission. All are welcome. For information, visit us at our **web site at: [fpcOH.org](http://fpcOH.org)**

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Go to "Worship;" click on "Sermon & Worship;" on right side of screen,  
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Each Sunday morning:

9:00 a.m., Prayer on the Patio, in-person with Pastor Kennedy; and

Sunday: 10:15 a.m. – Zoom Live Streaming of Worship Service

11:15 a.m., Pastor Kennedy's Zoom meeting Bible study and prayer time.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/762642399?pwd=R2NmZ2NiSERlCWRRzEwLlplLL2lSUT09>

And if they ask for a password, it will always be - Invited.

*(Since Zoom might feel a little intimidating, included is a link with a brief and super helpful video that will tell you all you need to know about joining a zoom meeting:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E> - if you watch this, you'll be Zoom ready.

*As the narrator of the video explains, Zoom is a great way to stay connected in these days of Covid 19.*

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