

First Presbyterian Church

1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240

11th Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to our Worship Service!

We are so glad you are here.

August 16, 2020

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WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION

PRELUDE – *There Is a Name I Love to Hear* John Innes

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN – For the Beauty of the Earth**

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS Adapted from Brother Roger of Taizé

O Christ, tirelessly you seek out those who are looking for you and who think that you are far away; teach us, at every moment, to place our spirits in your hands. While we still are looking for you, already you have found us. Forgive us our lack of trust. However poor our prayer, you hear us far more than we can imagine or believe. May we live in the assurance of that seeking and listening love. In Jesus name, we pray, Amen.

A TIME OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION**

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

**Solo - *It Is Well with My Soul* arr. David Culross
Aaron Humphrey and Michael Gonzalez**

SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 23:32-43 (NRSV)

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Reverend Dr. Ben Sorensen

The Good Thief

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) Adapted from St. Benedict 480-547**

**O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence
to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes
to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you, and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN – My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

**My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and
righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE – Trumpet Tune** Douglas Wagner

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This morning, we welcome Reverend Ben Sorensen to our pulpit. An ordained Presbyterian pastor, Rev. Sorensen is also the vice mayor of Fort Lauderdale. Ben comes from a long line of Presbyterian pastors going back three generations. Ben holds six academic degrees, including a seminary degree, one in law, plus four others! He served as the youth pastor at First Presbyterian in Fort Lauderdale, currently serves as a Lieutenant Commander in the US Navy reserve, and also is the VP of a corporate training company, Optimum Associates. You can read more about him at <https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/city-commission/commissioner-ben-sorensen>.

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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!

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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**

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Go to “Worship;” click on “Sermon & Worship;” on right side of screen,
click on “download this week’s church bulletin.”

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Each Sunday morning:

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

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

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/762642399?pwd=R2NmZ2NiSERlcWRrRzEwLlplLL2lSUT09>

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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