

Welcome to FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 26, 2022—10:45 a.m.

*Bold-faced type are words the congregation speaks together.
The * invites you to stand in body or spirit.*

Prelude *Pavane* Robert Elmore

Welcome This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 46 and Mark 4)

Be Still!

The Psalmist invites to be still that we might know God.

Be Still!

Jesus rebukes the winds and waves that we might know the power of God.

Be Still!

And let us worship the Lord our God.

***Hymn 667** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

Prayer of Confession (*spoken together and silent*)

God, you create us and claim us out of the waters of baptism. You have gives us a name and calling as your holy people. And yet we find ourselves caught up in confusion about what it all means. We are tossed to and fro upon the waves of life and do not know what it is we believe—and for what we have been given life. We find ourselves separated from your love. Bring us back into safe harbor and help us to be moored again to your love and your way of grace in the world. O Lord, have mercy on us...

[Silent prayer, followed by:] **Forgive us, O God, and move us to trust, that we may boldly live your grace and love; through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.**

Assurance of God's Grace / Passing the Peace

Special Music *Give Me Jesus* arr. Moses Hogan
Heather Dye, soprano

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, whose voice is heard in the thunder and in the silence, speak to us now, by the power of your Spirit, that we may hear your word for us today. Amen.

Listen to the Word:

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; ³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. ⁶The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. ¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.” ¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

Reflection on the Word and Life:

“Faith equals Doubt equals Faith”

***Affirmation of Faith** (excerpt from the Confession of 1967)

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humanity. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for all people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to humanity, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

The new life takes shape in a community in which all people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

Offertory

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Michael Burkhardt

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***Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayers of the Community & 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.

***Hymn 475**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

***Charge and Benediction**

***Response**

We Are One in the Spirit

BY OUR LOVE

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

Postlude

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Robert Lind

Leading Worship

Rev. JoAnn Thiry
Pat Dautel, liturgist

Ryan Dye, Minister of Music

Today's Chancel flowers are given by the Deacons to the Glory of God

Upcoming Events at First Presbyterian Church

Saturday, July 2, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – The culmination of the 2nd Annual Conductor/Soloist workshop is a concert that will focus on repertoire from the 18th Century. Eight Conducting fellows and eight soloists will present the **Boise Baroque Orchestra**. A suggested donation of \$10. For tickets visit boisebaroque.org.

Sundays, July 24 and August 21, at 10 a.m.— *FPC Summer Choir*. If you enjoy singing and would like a “low-commitment” choral experience, you are invited to join other choristers in the Chancel at 10 a.m. as we learn a simple anthem prior to the Sunday service. Please call or text Ryan Dye at 208-830-7007 with any questions.