



First Presbyterian

— R O M E —

² Continue steadfastly in prayer,
being watchful in it with thanksgiving.

³ At the same time, pray also for us,
that God may open to us a door for the word,
to declare the mystery of Christ,
on account of which I am in prison—

⁴ that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

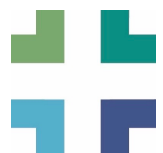
⁵ Walk in wisdom toward outsiders,
making the best use of the time.

⁶ Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt,
so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Colossians 4:2-6 ESV

THE LORD'S DAY

June 17, 2018



God's People Gather for Worship

By God's grace alone and to his glory alone, we exist to worship God in his greatness and his holiness with Gospel-drive passion and integrity..." (excerpted from FPC Rome Mission Statement)

Preparing our Hearts

Prelude

Declaring God's Praise

Call to Worship

Psalm 20

Hymn No. 309

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"
HYFRYDOL

Affirming Our Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Leader: People of God, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

ALL: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death, to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;

indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Response No. 812

The Gloria Patri
GREATOREX

Confessing Our Sin and Embracing Our Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon

Hymn of Response No. 408

"How Firm a Foundation"
FOUNDATION

Offering Our Gifts

Welcome

(Children ages 6 years old – 4th grade will be dismissed at this time for Children's Worship in God's Garden.)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Ye Servants of God"

arr. David Schwoebel

FPC Summer Choir

Dr. Aaron Rice, Director

Mr. Kyle Coleman, Accompanist

Interceding for God's World

Prayer for God's People, Work and World and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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.

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Colossians 4:2-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Openings"

Dr. Jonathan Schwartz

Scattering as Christ's Church

Hymn No. 24

"The Servant Song"

THE SERVANT SONG

Choir will sing verse 1;

Congregation will join the choir for remaining verses

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude



Ministry Opportunities

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES (6/17/18):

Convergent Service in King Hall (10:30 am):
Rev. Bill Pardue preaching

Classic Service in the Sanctuary (10:30 am):
Dr. Jonathan Schwartz preaching

COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY (6/24/18):

Combined in the Sanctuary (10:30 am):
Rev. Jeff Chadwick preaching

The Sacrament of Communion will be celebrated at the service on June 24th. Please use this week to prepare your heart and mind to receive this gift of God rightly.

WORSHIP SERVICES WILL BE COMBINED THROUGH THE END OF JULY – Next Sunday, June 24th and during the full month of July, we will combine our worship services to emphasize our unity as a church family. The Sunday morning schedule will be:

9:15 am: Sunday School for all ages

10:30 am: Combined Worship Service on June 24th in the Sanctuary and the month of July in King Hall

WELCOME MISSIONARIES ROB AND SANDY SHAFFER – This morning we welcome long-time FPC missionaries Rob and Sandy Shaffer, whose work with Entrust is focused on “multiplying leaders for multiplying churches.” They will be available to chat in King Hall following the combined Adults Sunday School, and will briefly share about their ministry in the Convergent Service. To learn more about Entrust, go to www.entrust4.org.

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL – Each summer we gather as a collective body rather than in our Sunday Morning Communities. This summer we will gather in King Hall for an 11-week study taught by a team of teachers. Our study this summer, *The Vocabulary of the Gospel*, will shine a clarifying light upon what we believe and enable us to see the impact of that belief on our daily life. Each lesson will answer three questions: What do we believe? Why do we believe this? How does this apply to my relationship with God and others?

June 17- Sin - Matt Claytor

June 24 - Grace - Tommy Atha

July 1 - Repentance - Rev. Bill Pardue

July 8 - Righteousness - Dathan Sorrow

July 15 - Holiness - Rusty Chadwick

July 22 - Discipleship - Rev. Jeff Chadwick

July 29 - Faith - John Pittman

August 5 - Hope - Rev. Jonathan Schwartz

August 12 - Love - Brant Evans

CHILDREN'S SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL – This summer we are combining our children's Sunday School classes in the Education Building as follows:

1st-5th grades - Room 201

Through Old Testament stories about Moses and New Testament stories about followers of Jesus, kids will focus on how we are created to be like Jesus—in how we live, speak, and think so that we can walk in the good works He prepared for us.

2 and 3 year olds - Room 207 Lesson – “God's People”

4 and 5 year olds - Room 206 Lesson – “Serving the Savior”

CHILDREN TO WORSHIP WITH CHURCH FAMILY JUNE 24TH AND IN JULY – We will be combined June 24th and the month of July. What a great opportunity for our children to worship together with the Body of Christ! Children's Worship will resume in August.

CLASSIC SERVICE GREETERS – Not only fathers, but all who entered the sanctuary this morning were greeted by Marie and Charles Carlisle. They blessed you with a smile and a warm handshake. Call Betty Carver at 706-512-4455, so that you, too, can receive a blessing while being a greeter.

HAVEN HEALTH'S BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG – Today is the last day to turn in your baby bottles for this fundraiser. You may place them at the Welcome Center near the Church Office, or on the table in the back of King Hall. *Save your Change to Save a Life!*

SUMMER BETHEL STUDY – Perhaps you haven't been able to take the Bethel Discipleship Class...perhaps you just want to see what the class is like...perhaps you want to continue studying God's Word in a small group setting during the summer. If this is the case, then the Summer Bethel Study is for you! In this four-week study, we will take a 'big picture' approach to the book of Revelation. We will focus on how this book fits with the whole of Scripture. We will find that Revelation 'reveals' to us the ultimate reality. The ultimate reality is Jesus Christ...who is the Lamb slain and the conquering Lion of Judah and is making all things new!

We will meet on Wednesday mornings, in the Fellowship Hall, from 10:00am-12:00noon (July 11th, July 18th, July 25th and August 1st). If you are interested in attending, please register through our website or by contacting Phyllis Pemerton at 706-767-8347 or ppemerton@bellsouth.net. We would love to have you join us!

CAMP 456 REPORT – From the desk of Mrs. Andrea – During Memorial Day weekend, we took 36 rising 4th, 5th, and 6th graders and 29 leaders to Ocoee, TN for our annual Camp 456! We had a blast worshiping, growing our faith in Christ, playing games, going down a huge super, fast water slide and more! Thank you to our speaker Rev. Bill Pardue for helping our campers to understand what it means to have an "Identity in Christ". Thank you to our Student Ministry staff and to all College Small Group Leaders, you guys rock! I could spend a MONTH away with you all. Thanks to Carson Garrett for taking pictures and making an inspiring video. Thanks to Cooper Evans and his excellent Worship Team. Thank you to all 9 parent chaperones for being there for our campers. Thanks Mrs. Maggie Cooper for being a kind and valuable "nurse" for the weekend. Thanks to our snack captain, you keep us happy! Thank you to our five drivers that safely drove us. Thank you, thank you to ALL prayer warriors that prayed us there and back. You all made another glorious Camp 456 for the books! I love each and every one of you and I am most grateful for you.

JOIN US FOR "SUMMER CHOIR" – Do you want to participate in the Chancel Choir but don't have the time or flexibility for a long-term commitment to Wednesday evening rehearsals? Summer choir is for you! This is everyone's chance to participate. So if you are a sixth grader, celebrating your centennial, or somewhere in between, join us on Sundays in June at 9:30am in the Choir Suite to learn an easy anthem and then lead in the Classic Service.

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR SHIPWRECKED – RESCUED BY JESUS! VBS 2018 JUNE 25th-29th – You may register online at www.fpcrome.org under the Children's Events page or pick up a registration packet from the church information racks. If you are interested in volunteering to help with VBS, sign up at one of the VBS tables or contact Mrs. Joan Brock at 706-346-4253 or Mrs. Natalie Babington at 706-266-7740.

FINANCIAL REMINDER – Vacation season is upon us and while you are making your list of must haves for your vacation, please remember to include sending your tithe to the church. Unfortunately, the church's bills do not take a vacation! Thank you for your faithfulness to the finances of First Presbyterian Church.

STUDENT MINISTRIES SUMMER CALENDAR – The Student Ministries summer calendar has been posted on the webpage. Please visit Student Events at www.fpcstudentministries.org.

THE POWER OF PRAYER – What would it mean to you to be part of a great movement, to change lives, to see your commitment to undergird First Presbyterian in prayer with power and praise through Jesus Christ? Ready for adventure? The Intercessory Prayer Team meets each Thursday in the Prayer Room to do just that. Questions? Call 706-766-5330 or email anitasmith716@comcast.net.

FOSTER CARE – Are you interested in supporting Foster Care Families? Some ways that you can support are:

Recognize – FPC’s recent and current foster families are: Hayes, Hickman, Clevenger, Pinyerd, Rooke, Scott, Whitley

Prayer – Pray for the church, the families, the children, the workers, and the word! To join the FPC Foster Family Prayer Team, contact Dottie Hall at 706-506-1862 or smithdottie@comcast.net.

Care Teams – To provide prayer, meals, transportation, child care, etc, contact Pam Morgan at 706-346-9580 or pmorgan@darlingtonschool.org.

Become a Foster Family – To learn more about being a foster parent or training, contact Jane Cavaness at 706-409-0267 or cavaness1969@comcast.net.

Serve in the Community – To learn ways to serve through a variety of local organizations, contact Jennifer Scott at 770-548-9100 or jenniferyscott@yahoo.com.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY GATHERINGS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER – Take some time on Wednesday nights to gather with friends, spend time with family, and we’ll look forward to seeing you again in early September.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST AVAILABLE – Each week you will find a page listing the current prayer needs of the congregation in the back of King Hall and at the Welcome Center outside of the Sanctuary. Please take one and use it as a way of supporting members of your church family in prayer. If you would like to have a name added to the list, please call the church office at 706-291-6033.

VISITORS – As a way to welcome you to First Presbyterian Church, we would like to gift you with a cross by local artist, Cabell Sweeney. You’ll find your cross at the Welcome Areas (near the Welcome banners), at both Convergent and Classic Services. Connect Forms are available to let us know you have visited, request information, and to register your children in Nursery, Children, and Student Ministries.

CONNECT FORM – Looking for a simple way to connect with our Pastors or church office? The Connect Form is available through one of the icons at the top of FPC’s website (www.fpcrome.org). Connect Form cards may also be found at both Welcome Areas. If your question does not fit within the categories listed, choose *How to Connect at FPC*. Please hand your card to a Welcome Area greeter or deacon, and someone will reach out to you.

Sermon Notes



Pray for Our Church Leaders and Missionaries

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 Rob & Iris, EPC/Frontiers - Muslim World
 Sean & Angie, EPC/Pioneers - Muslim World
 Stephen & Belinda, EPC - Muslim World
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 Adger & Sandra M., EPC Muslim World/Refugees

Atlanta Youth Project
 Campus Outreach - Berry College
 Casa de Alfarero - Rome, GA
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 Community Kitchen - Rome, GA
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 Good Neighbor Ministries - Rome, GA
 Habitat For Humanity - Rome, GA
 Hands of Love – Bolivia
 Haven Health Clinic - Rome, GA
 Hospitality House - Rome, GA
 Power Ministry - Texas/Mexico
 Rome Action Ministries - Rome, GA
 Salvation Army - Rome, GA
 Davies Homeless Shelter - Rome, GA