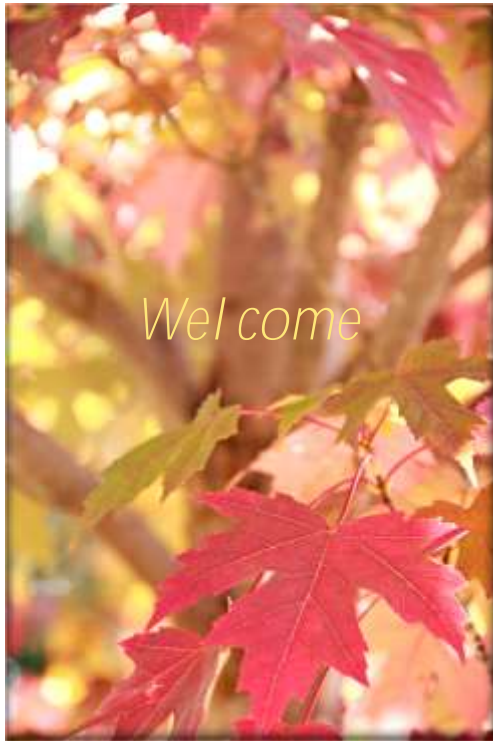


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First Presbyterian Church
October 24, 2021



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8:30 A.M. COMMUNION AND PRAYER

Preparation

Prelude

Prelude in A Minor

Mansfield

Adoration

Call to Worship

*Hymn #417

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and our confidence alone.
2. To this temple, where we call You, come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With Your wonted loving-kindness hear Your people as they pray,
And Your fullest benediction shed within its walls away.
4. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

Confession

*Call to Confession

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:1-5

Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Bread from Heaven

"Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not.'" (Exodus 16:4)

Dedication

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of thanksgiving

*Hymn #341

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.
(Refrain)

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Blessed Are the Peacemakers

Birchwood

*Please stand if able.

Visitors, Welcome to FPC

First Presbyterian Church of Conroe welcomes you. If you are interested in learning more about our church or wish to become active in our ministry teams and activities, please visit our website at fpccconroe.org or email us at yrose@fpccconroe.org. We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

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11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparation

Opening Music

Adoration

Introit

Lord, Help Our Hearts Be Pure

Folts

Call to Worship

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Confession

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you call, but we do not listen. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of Grace, help us to admit our sin so that, as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

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Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

***Prayer of Commitment and the Lord's Prayer**

*Choral Response

Anthem

Know My Heart

Harlan

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:38-44

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

*Hymn #335

Though I May Speak

1. Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain;
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
2. Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.
3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship and are freed.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:1-5

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

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*Closing Response

*Postlude

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This Sunday's Scripture Readings

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:38-44

³⁸ **And in his teaching he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹ and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰ who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”**

⁴¹ And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny.

⁴³ **And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴ For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”**

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:1-5

¹ They set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt.

² And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³ and the people of Israel said to **them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”**

⁴ **Then the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵ On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.”**

Notes



Elder Nominations

If you would like to nominate someone to hold the role of Elder, now is the time. The office of elder is one of discipleship, leadership, governance, and discipline. Elders are qualified by their faith, learning, vision, dedication, good judgment, and strong leadership abilities. The elder, individually and jointly with the **Session (the church’s council of elders), is to strengthen and nurture the faith** and life of the congregation, encouraging the people in the worship and service of God, equipping and renewing them for work in the church and the world.

We hope you will prayerfully consider those individuals that would be willing to serve the church in this way, and nominate them using the online form, or pick up one at the Welcome Desk on your way out.

Wednesday Night Live (WNL) Dinners are Back

The Fall WNL is back in full swing in the Family Life Center (FLC). A full dinner will be served both on-site and for takeout. Reservations are requested for both. Please make them by 5:00 p.m. each Tuesday. Take-out dinners will be ready for pick-up at 5:00 p.m. and on-site dining will begin at 5:15 p.m.

Regrettably, we must increase the cost of the meal to \$5, due to the increase in both food items and supplies. Children under 12 years old and adults over 75 years of age, are not charged. Reservations can be made through the FPC office (936) 756-8884 or by call/text Shirley Dukes, (936) 760-8655. Your Kitchen Crew looks forward to breaking bread with you once again.

*Financial Report
(2021 YTD as of September 30, 2021)*

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	\$527,625	\$518,170
Expenses	\$556,465	\$543,590

Pumpkin Patch Delay



We apologize for the absence of pumpkins at the beginning of our Second Annual Pumpkin Patch. They were loaded and on their way from New Mexico when the truck that was transporting them broke down. Fortunately, we were only set back for a few of days.

So, now that things are up and running, we would be thrilled to see the church and the community make up for lost time. Be sure to bring your friends and family for hay rides, refreshments, photo ops, games and s'mores. If you were planning to volunteer a wagon, we would still be happy to accept those, so that our customers can shop with ease. It will be returned to you after the patch has come to a close.

Volunteers are still needed to help on weekdays and weekends. Helping on sales days will consist mostly of assisting visitors navigate the patch, taking payments, and just being a representative of FPC. The weekends will undoubtedly be the busiest and will require more help.

Hours are as follows:

Tuesday-Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please contact Dena Sowden at DSowden@fpcconroe.org or (979) 255-2096 to participate. Please contact Liz Kessler at (713) 818-1006 to assist with refreshments.

Prayer List

Members: The family of Mills McNeel, the family of Karlene Griffin, the family of Evelyn Kenward, the family of Pat Smith, Jean Ball, George Shackelford, Margaret Hill, Kim Phillip, Flem Keathley, Carolyn Hebert, Paul Ivison, Leona Cowie, Lorraine Bosse, Don and Doris Myers, Margaret Carson, Fay Harrison, Clyde Cruikshank, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanette DeFee, Polly Miller, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Tom Braaten

Members' Relatives & Friends: Jenny C. (Cannon), Lynda H. and Amy D. (Ebanks), Sherry B. (Harrison), Mitchell B. (Blott), Maria H. (Hughes), Kellye H. and Jeffrey H. (Heasley), Sabra S. (Swoboda), Deborah R. (Rose), Jack S. and Jay, Katie B. (Pohla), Matt F. (Elms), Wendy S. (Adamson), Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Russell W. (Weinburger), Tim J. (Staff), Krissy P. & family **(Kasmiersky), Judy N. (Dukes), Sherry M. (Garrison), Diane B., Pat S.'s family,** Lindsey W., Ruby G., Beverly F. (S. Walker), Enrique E. (Moore), Paul M. (Alan Moore), Lee H. and Gene H. (Helms), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lisa & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmerly), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, October 17th

8:30 a.m. Worship Service - 18

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 113

Online Worship Attendance - 54

Total Attendance - 185

Today's Worship Leader

Mark Sowden

Today's Flowers

Today's flowers are given for the glory of God by Gary and Judy Weinburger, in honor of their mothers, Marjorie Johnson and Evelyn Weinburger.

Save the Date

October 30	Trunk-or-Treat
October 31	Community Memorial Service
November 7	Communion Sunday/Family Promise Arrives
November 14	Family Promise Departs
November 17	Thanksgiving Meal and Worship Service
November 25	Thanksgiving Holiday (PDS and FPC office closed)

Ministry Leaders

Administration	Jay Swoboda (2022, Chair)
Building & Grounds	Stephan Tibbetts (2022, Chair), David Perciful (2022)
Care-Prayer	Bob Shepherd (2023, Chair)
Discipleship	Anne Spinks (2021, Chair), Mark Sowden (2021)
Fellowship	Shirley Dukes (2021, Chair)
Membership	Donna Stewart (2021, Chair), Anna McNamara (2022), Abby Stewart (2022), Dena Sowden (2023)
Missions	Tom Young (2021)
PDS	Karen Clark (2021), Sharon Walker (2022)
Worship	Chuck and Janet Pohla (2023, Chairs)

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sunday <i>October 24</i>	8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary) 9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro) 9:30 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood: A Bible study on the Max Lucado book, <i>"Life Lessons from Romans"</i> (Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141, Password: 330714) https://zoom.us/j/267960141 (or call +1 346 248 7799, 267960141#) 9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians. 9:30 a.m. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Library and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299? https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299? Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304) 9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) <i>The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided By Politics And Religion</i> , by Jonathan Haidt. 9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) <i>Ecclesiastes: The Search for Meaning in Modern Music</i> 10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)
Monday <i>October 25</i>	1:30 p.m. Monday Afternoon Bible Study (Youth Commons Area)
Tuesday <i>October 26</i>	7:30 p.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Zoom Meeting ID: 844 897 863, Password: 77304))
Wednesday <i>October 27</i>	9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mission Sewing (Rm. 105) 9:30 a.m. FPC Staff Meeting (Zoom ID available by invitation) 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Live Dinner (Gym) 5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary) 6:00 p.m. The Spark (Gym) 6:00 p.m. Disciple Bible Study (Room 105 and Zoom 879 2931 2569 passcode 77304) 7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
Saturday <i>October 30</i>	2:00-4:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat (FPC Parking Lot)

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2:00 p.m. Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

Staff and Church Information

Staff

Rev. Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor

Dena Sowden, Director of Christian Education

Stephanie Cooke, Interim Music Director

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