Praise be to God. whose mercy knows no end. Praise be to God, who lived among us and calls us God's own. In the name of Jesus the Christ, we are forgiven and loved. Amen. And again, amen.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

PRELUDE

"Blessed Assurance" Mark Hayes/arr, Douglas Wagner Linda Vollweiler, organist

(The prelude is an opportunity to worship God, a time of prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

"Intrada Festiva"

WELCOME

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God has placed a calling upon our hearts. We have been asked to follow.

We've followed God into hospital rooms and nurseries. We've been led into committee meetings and groups of fellowship.

We've taught children. We've fed the hungry. We've opened our doors and hearts in hospitality.

We come to this setting and into this hour to renew our calling To let the love of God be placed once more upon our hearts And, yet again, to be claimed by God and empowered to love others.

*OPENING HYMN

"Lord, Prepare Me" The Canady family, Song Leaders

HOW WE'VE BEEN FORMED

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, to our own limited nature. We admit that we control so very little. The earth spins. Trees grow. An infinite number of events take place in an infinite number of locations, and all of it occurs without so much as our knowledge, let alone our influence. And yet, we are not without power. We can control this much: that we love our neighbors as we love ourselves and that we love you with our whole being. Have mercy, O Lord, when we have failed to do such things. Free us once more to serve others and to serve you.

"Glory to God"

OUESTION FOR CONTEMPLATION How has serving others reshaped your life?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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Greg Allen-Pickett



July 26, 2020

Damen Heitmann

Will and Ginny Locke

Dale Wood

*PEACE OF CHRIST (Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.) The Peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION As your word is read and proclaimed, let us perceive it beyond hearing, understand it beyond knowing, and cherish it beyond loving. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 5:1-11

ANTHEM

"Holy, Holy, Holy" Reginal Herber/Tyne John B Dykes Olivia Canady, piano

Psalm 91: "On Eagle's Wings"

Shannon Canady, vocal; Mary Plock, piano "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Arr. Mark Hayes Sy Muller and Jill Jackson Grace Canady, vocal; Mary Plock, piano (The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 12:15-21

MESSAGE "It's Not About You" or "A Compelling O-Kerr-ance" Rob Kerr, Michelle Kerr, Ethan Kerr, Thomas Kerr, & Abbie Kerr

*HYMN

"Tú has venido a la orilla"

721

Michael Jonás

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that the calling of God comes to us all, that the work of God can be done in all times and places. We believe that generosity is a way of being, that offering hospitality is a true work of grace, and that the reservation of judgment of others is a perpetual need.

God has placed within each of us the seeds of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self-control. We are called to cultivate these fruits within and through our lives so that they may provide nourishment, not only to ourselves, but to all whom we encounter.

God has called us, as partners in creation, to love and serve all.

OFFERING

| OFFERTORY | "Take Time to Be Holy" | George Stebbins/arr. John Innes |
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| *DOXOLOGY | "Praise God from Whom All Blessing | s Flow" 606 |

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We dedicate these gifts to your work, O God. May they be used to bring aid to suffering, hope to the lost, and peace to all. Amen.

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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 | "Lord, Make Us More Holy" 3 | | |
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| The church is not I am the church, y | ESPONSE a building, the church is not a ste a resting place, the church is a pe you are the church, we are the chu sus, all around the world, yes, we | eople. 1rch together! | |
| *POSTLUDE | "Bourrée" Linda Vollweiler, orga | Johan Helmich Roman/arr. S.D. Wolff nist | |

(The postlude serves as a musical blessing for worshipers as they transition out into the world.)

(*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK & INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

"Stay at Home" Traditional Worship Service (at least through August 31st)

Broadcast live

10:30 a.m. on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/fpchastings</u> (Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)

10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM

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DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP



The lines given here convey the central message of the longer song for which they form the refrain. The principal Scripture reference is 1 Corinthians 3:16–17, Paul's reminder to the Christians at Corinth that "[they] are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in [them]."

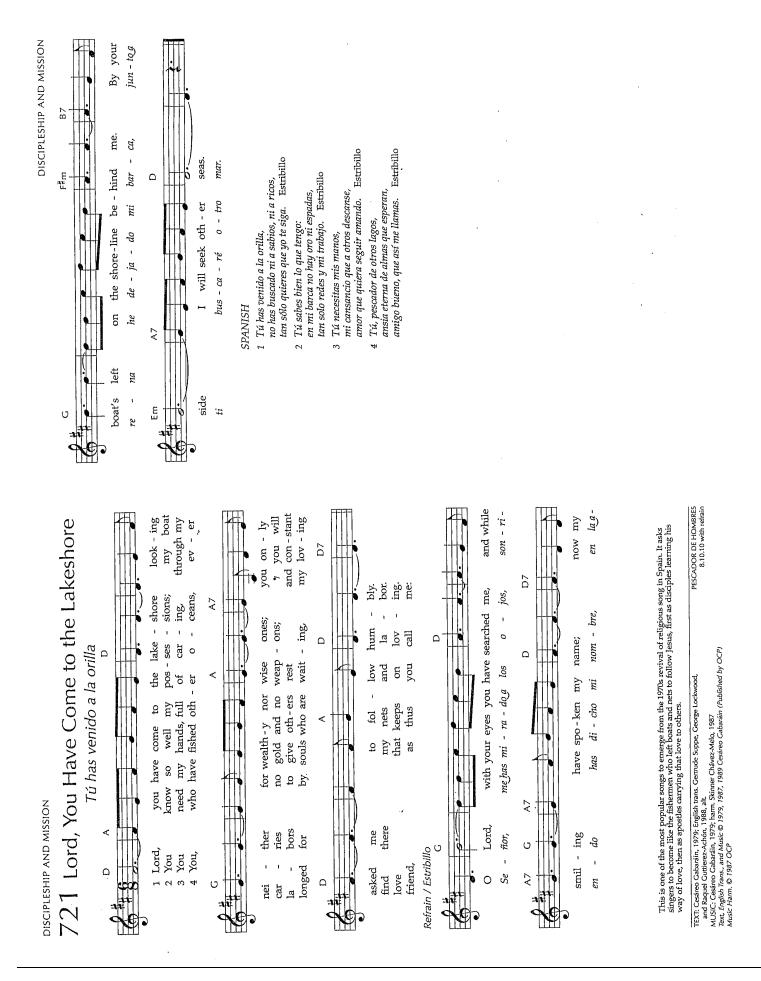
TEXT: John Thompson and Randy Scruggs, 1982

SANCTUARY Irregular

MUSIC: John Thompson and Randy Scruggs, 1982; arr. Nylea L. Butler-Moore Text and Music © 1982 Full Armor Music Publishing Co. Music Arr. © 2013 Full Armor Music Publishing Co. (admin. in the U.S.A. Peermusic III, Ltd./Hal Leonard Corp.)

SERVICE MUSIC





SERVICE MUSIC



TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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OLD HUNDREDTH LM

THE CHURCH 3 13 Lord, Make Us More Holy 1 Lord, make us more ho - ly; Lord, make us more ho - ly; 2 Lord, make us more lov - ing; Lord, make us more lov - ing; 3 Lord, make us more pa - tient; Lord, make us more pa - tient; 4 Lord, make us more faith - ful; Lord, make us more faith - ful; Lord, make us more ho - ly, un - til we meet a - gain: Lord, make us more lov - ing, un - til a - gain: we meet Lord, make us more pa - tient, un - til a - gain: we meet Lord, make us more faith - ful, un - til we meet a - gain: ho ly, ho - ly, ho ly, un - til we meet a - gain. lov - ing, lov - ing, lov ing, un - til a - gain. we meet pa - tient, pa - tient, pa - tient, un - til we meet a - gain. faith - ful, faith - ful, faith ful, un - til a - gain. we meet

Like many African American spirituals, this one creates a framework for almost endless expansion beyond the four stanzas given here. This sung prayer is notable as an affirmation of God's active care for the once-gathered community while dispersed and of hope to be reunited.

TEXT and MUSIC: African American spiritual

<u>July 26, 2020</u>

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Charlie Fruehling by Christian, Sarah, and Arich Fruehling.

Flowers are given in memory of Charlie Fruehling by Christian, Sarah, and Arich Fruehling and also by Mr. and Mrs. George Payne and Hubert Payne.

Today's service will be broadcast

- live on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/fpchastings</u> (You don't need to have an account to watch.)
- > on the radio during Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. on KICS 1550 AM.
- > on Channel 181 Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
- at Good Samaritan Village, the service will be broadcast on Channel 3 on Sunday at 12:00 noon and on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

A copy of any Sunday service is available on DVD disc upon request at no charge. Contact Jean in the office at 402-462-5147 or jean@fpchastings.org.



Looking for a way to give during our time of "Stay at Home" Church? The church counts on your giving to carry on its work. As you participate in "Stay at Home" Worship, please take time to

1. mail your donation in,

2. drop by the church and leave your offering in the new locked "tithing box" located on the second brick column under the portico.

- 3. sign up for electronic fund transfers,
- 4. or give on-line at: <u>https://fpchastings.org/give-online/</u>

In the days and weeks to come, the church will continue to play a vital role in responding to this virus, just as we did with the flood relief efforts in Nebraska last year. Thank you for your continued support and provision in this time.

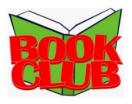
FPC Prayers for

| Alana DeBellis & Family | Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister) | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Jim Duval | Cale, Noble, Zach Henderson | Gretchen Lainson | | | |
| Cheryl Ann Elfond | Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents) | Tommy Thomsen | | | |
| Irina Erickson's Mom | Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom) | Mike Hahne & family | | | |
| Jim Hahne | Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom) | Jeff Howard | | | |
| Jim Harrenstein | Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son) | Carol Medsker | | | |
| Everly Hogan | Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke | | | | |
| _ | Henry Black (Joe & Amy Black's son) | | | | |
| Please let us know if you would like to be added to, or removed from, the prayer list by | | | | | |
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calling the church office at 402-462-5147.



The <u>next</u> **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **September 1, 2020**, from 12 noon – 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendar now! To donate or volunteer your time, please call Erica Brooks, FPC Parish Nurse, at <u>402-469-9285</u> or sign up at www.redcrossblood.org.



Summer Book Club Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh has been guiding a discussion of the book *Heaven and Hell: A History of the Afterlife* by Bart Ehrman.

Summer Book Club has been meeting at noon since May 13th and will continue for the next 15 weeks via Zoom Conferencing and modifying interactions as physical distancing recommendations evolve. Please obtain a copy of the book

from your favorite vendor. Contact Sharon Brooks, <u>sbbrooks52@gmail.com</u> for more information on how to join the online conversations.

This Week at FPC --- July 27 - August 2, 2020

Session has voted that all in-person meetings must follow the following guidelines through August 31 for the safety of our congregation and staff and to comply with the State-Directed Health Measures. 1.) 15 or fewer in attendance, 2.) 1 hour or less in length, 3.) Facemasks will be required, 4.) Social distancing of 6 ft. seating. All boards and committees will have to option to meet in person or continue to meet via conference call or some combination of both to be coordinated by the church staff representative.

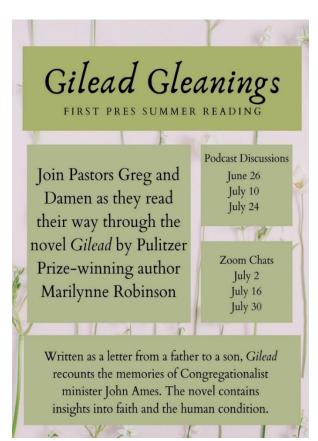
| Mon, July 27 | "Monday Check-in" Communication | |
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| | | from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen |
| | | Sent via website, email and social media |
| | 5:30p-6:30Pp | Foundation Board via ZOOM Conferencing |
| Tues, July 28 | 10:30 a-11:30a | Staff Meeting via ZOOM Conferencing |
| | 12:00p-1:00p | Bible Study via ZOOM Conferencing |
| Wed, July 29 | 12:00p-1:00p | Summer Book Club via ZOOM Conferencing |
| Thurs July 30 | | |
| Fri, July 31 | | "Friday Feature" Communication |
| | | from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen |
| | | Sent via website, email and social media |
| Sat, Aug 1 | | |
| Sun, Aug 2 | 10:30a | "Stay at Home" Worship Service |



Those interested in receiving food should bring boxes or bags. Those interested in volunteering with the event should simply show up on the date of the next distribution and check in at the

| | August 15, 2020 | |
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| I, J, K, L | May park and get number starting | 9:45 AM |
| M, N, O | May park and get number starting | 10:00 AM |
| P, Q, R | May park and get number starting | 10:15 AM |
| S, T, U | May park and get number starting | 10:30 AM |
| V, W, X, Y, Z | May park and get number starting | 10:45 AM |
| А, В | May park and get number starting | 11:00 AM |
| C, D, E | May park and get number starting | 11:15 AM |
| F, G, H | May park and get number starting | 11:30 AM |

volunteer sign-in table. Volunteer shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00. <u>*Plastic bags can be*</u> brought to the church office and donated to the cause.



Gilead Gleanings: A First Pres Summer Reading Project

What are you doing this summer? Why not join pastors Greg and Damen (as well as a few other notable guests) as they read through *Gilead* by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Marilynne Robinson?

Set in Gilead, Iowa, the novel takes the form of a letter written from a Congregationalist minister to his son. The touching book reveals much about the human condition and the heart of faith. It is sure to tell us as much about ourselves as the characters it contains.

In addition to securing a copy of the book and reading along, folks can join in the fun by listening to three podcast conversations which will be released on June 26, July 10, and 24. Here's the link to the first podcast: https://bit.ly/gileadg

In those podcasts, the pastors and guests will discuss the book and how they find it relating to the world around them. There will also be open conversations (hosted via ZOOM), during which readers can join and

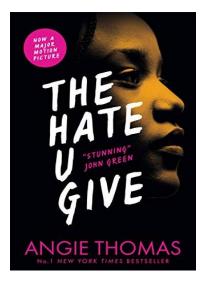
discuss. Those open conversations will take place July 2, 16, and 30.

There will be a few copies of the book available in the church office, though we sadly cannot buy a copy for everyone. Here are the links to the Gilead Gleanings things. Soundcloud

https://soundcloud.com/damen-heitmann/062520-gilead-gleanings-a-summer-read https://soundcloud.com/damen-heitmann/070920-gilead-gleanings

YouTube:

https://youtu.be/- egyU233vo https://youtu.be/gDEunH6fVyk



Anti-Racism Conversation Groups

Join your First Presbyterian Church Family in conversation about anti-racism and how our faith calls us to educate ourselves and work to dismantle racism in our society.

We started in June by encouraging the whole church to watch the movie *Just Mercy* that was available for free streaming for the month of June. We hosted a discussion group about this movie on July 1.

For the month of July we invite you to read the book *The Hate U Give* and join us for discussion groups starting the week of July 13. For more information or to sign up for a discussion group, please email the church office at <u>fpc@fpchastings.org</u> or call 402-462-5147