

**First Presbyterian Church**

Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,  
We seek to know God's love and share it  
With each other, our community, and the world.  
We invite you to join us in this journey  
of discipleship!*

*Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor*

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion  
September 3, 2017  
GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE "Fugue in C Major"  
Dietrich Buxtehude

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.  
**And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
God said to Moses, "I am who I am."  
**This is the name of the Lord forever.**  
Let us worship God.

\*HYMN #396 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on us, Lord: you have set your way before us, and we tremble to see it. It is not just suffering we are afraid to bear, but also the weight of your call; your command to excel in love, rejoice in hope, and live peaceably with all--your appeal to overcome evil with good. Who are we to live in such a way? We do not merit your confidence. Merciful God,**

**forgive our fear and faithlessness. Help us to see what you see, to follow where you go, and to live in awe at your presence, which is our help and encouragement.**

**Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:35-40 (p. 847)

ANTHEM "They Shall Soar Like Eagles"  
Laura Manzo

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE "My Lord! What a Morning!"

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:41-48 (p. 847)

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Boss's Vacation"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN #503 "Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*  
(Hymnal p.35)

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he**

**ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION Loaves and Fishes  
Louisiana Saturday Night!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"  
Hal Hopson

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

RESPONSE #583 (2x)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.

RESPONSE #601 "Amen"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

“You Can Make the  
Pathway Bright”  
Amy Webb

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN #353 “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE “Fugue in G Minor”  
Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier

### WORSHIP NOTES

**Tracy Jackson** is today’s liturgist.  
**Will Arrington** is today’s audio visual specialist.  
\*Please stand if you are able.

### THIS WEEK AT FPC

#### Sunday, September 3

9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes  
Young Children’s Music (until 9:15)

#### Monday, September 4 LABOR DAY Office Closed

#### Tuesday, September 5

10:00am Morning Circle  
5:30pm Yoga

#### Wednesday, September 6

10:00am Bible Study group meets in the library  
11:15am Prayer Circle

6:00pm New Testament Greek (see announcement)  
Handbells

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm Adult Choir

#### Thursday, September 7

9:00am Yoga  
10:30am Staff Meeting

#### Wifi

To connect and use Wifi while you are in the building:

Network: FPCGuest  
Password: Welcome2fpc



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### INTRODUCTION TO NEW TESTAMENT GREEK

Pastor Greg will begin a two-semester introductory Greek class on Wednesdays, beginning **September 6 in the FPC Library, 6-8pm.** The course will include reading and analysis of selected New Testament texts and will explore the nature of biblical translation. This class is free and open to the public (a \$50 contribution made out to FPC) per semester is recommended to non-members.

**THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK PICNIC will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 3-5 pm at the Hudson Farm on Rosson Road.** The picnic takes the place of the 2nd Sunday Lunch. The Fellowship Committee will grill hamburgers and hot dogs and provide potato chips, drinks, plates, cups, & eating utensils.

You are asked to bring a large picnic-type dish that will serve 10-12. Maps to the farm are available in the vestibule and on the table outside the church office. Please join us for an old-fashioned dinner-on-the-grounds congregational picnic!



**THE MISSION COMMITTEE** is sponsoring a book study this year. We will be working through the book, “*When Hurting Helps*” by Steve Corbett and Brian Finkert. The theme of the book is learning how to walk with the poor in humble relationships, rather than providing temporary handouts to them. As we continue our partnership with the Sudanese church in Gallatin and plan our connection with the folks of Haiti, we want to bring focus to our mission.

We invite all church members to participate, but especially members of the mission and the service committee are being encouraged to participate.

If you are interested, please meet with Ann Waddle (931.624.2597) a few minutes in the church office/workroom, after worship on Sunday, Sept. 10 to schedule the meeting date and time. We are considering meeting on the 1st Sunday evening of each month at 5, with a light meal before/after our study, but we want a day that is convenient for those who plan to participate.

**WOMAN’S RETREAT Saturday September 30 in Palmyra at the home of Kris Foust.** Jule Nyhuis is invited to come back and conduct workshops/discussion regarding personalities and their place on the "enneagram". The day will begin at 9:30am, we will have a catered lunch, time for activities and conclude around 4pm. This invitation is to all women in the church, members & visitors. The cost is \$35 payable to the FPC and is due Sept. 15. Bring a friend!

### MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate  
10:00am Service

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Member(s)  Visitor(s)

Members please indicate if this is a change.

Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### LOAVES & FISHES Save the Date!

The major fundraiser for Loaves & Fishes, **LOUISIANA SATURDAY NITE**, is October 7 from 4:30-7:00pm at the L&F Soup Kitchen located at the FPC Activities Center (corner of Foster and Third). There will be a delicious Louisiana Cajun meal along with music. Dinner includes Chicken and Andouille Sausage Gumbo with rice, slaw, roll, praline and a drink. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available at the church office, Eventbrite or through Charlie Keene, Tam Long, Issac Wright, Jill Crow or Diane Miner. We will be available before and after church service *the first and second Sunday of September and first Sunday of October outside the church* to buy tickets. For more ticket and sponsor information go to [loavesandfishestn.org](http://loavesandfishestn.org) or [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com). Remember you can dine in or carry out!



**RECIPES FOR PW COOKBOOK** are still being accepted and can be delivered to the church office and placed in the basket in Monica’s office. Thank you.