

Communion Sunday

June 2, 2013

*"In Your will is our peace;
In Your love is our rest;
In Your service is our joy."*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

**O God, light of the hearts that see you,
life of the souls that love you,
strength of the thoughts that seek you:
to turn from you is to fall, to turn to you is to rise,
to abide in you is to stand fast forever.**

**Although we are unworthy to approach you,
or to ask anything at all of you,
we rejoice in the new and living way you have
opened to us through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.**

* HYMN, #464 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and Merciful God,
In your presence we confess our sinfulness, our
shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone
know how often we have sinned in wandering from
your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.**

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and
sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our
sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your
ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

**Hear our petitions that come quietly from our hearts
and minds...**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 34:1-8

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise shall continually be
in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and
be glad.

**O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name
together!**

I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me
from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be
ashamed.

**This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and
was saved from every trouble.**

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who love him,
and delivers them.

**O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those
who take refuge in him.**

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE (11:00)

*For summer Sundays children remain with parents in worship;
younger children may go to the nursery.*

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 6:5-14, 35

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Knowing God:

(3) the One who Nourishes Our Souls"

*"I AM the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
and the one who believes in me will never be thirsty."*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN, #510 (verses 1-3) "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

**That I belong –body and soul, in life and death –
not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus
Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully
paid for all my sins, and has completely freed me
from the dominion of the devil; that he protects
me so well that without the will of my Father in
heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed
that everything must fit his purpose for my
salvation.**

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

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

THE 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:

"Hosanna in the highest!

That ancient song we sing

For Christ is our Redeemer,

The Lord of heaven our King.

O may we ever praise Him

With heart and life and voice,

And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN #466

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE AND POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Laura Black is the Elder of the Day. **Mark Banasiak** is the liturgist.

+Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of your pew. Write prayer concerns and/or notes to the church office on the cards found in your pew rack and place them in the offering plate.

***If you are able, please stand.**

Next Sunday, June 9, Pastor Dave will continue the sermon series on the "I AM" sayings of Jesus with the message "*The Light of the World*," from John 8:12. FPC organist Carol Shippen and Andrea Handley will be playing a series of organ/piano duets.

Pastor Dave is available for individual meetings with members of the congregation Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm, or on Saturdays when circumstances require it. Email him at david.stull.handley@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, June 2

4-6:00 pm **Middle School Youth Group** meets.

Monday, June 3

7:00 am **Men's Breakfast** at Shoney's (corner of 2nd & Kraft St.). All men, all ages, are invited to participate in conversations about life and faith. A brief devotional follows the meal.

5:00 pm **Theology on Tap** at the Guadalajara Grill.

Tuesday, June 4

5:30 pm **Yoga** in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, June 5

10:00 am **Bible Study** in the church library.

6:30 pm **Senior Highs meet at Whitt's** on Madison St. Bring \$\$ for the meal. We will eat and then hang out till 7:30 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beginning next Sunday, June 9th, we will start each of our services with a medley of favorite hymns in order to sing more that we know and love. Please remember to place hymn suggestions and requests in the offering plate or send lists to Neesa.

For those wanting to explore membership at First Presbyterian with Pastor Dave, a two-week class will be offered on Sundays, June 23 and 30, from 9:45-10:30 in the pastor's office. The first week, we will explore the mission statement and core beliefs of First Presbyterian Church of Clarksville; the second week, we will look at the wider denomination--the history and unique elements of what it means to be a Presbyterian. Members who would like to sit in and discuss

these same things are welcome to call Pastor Dave and join us.

Children's Worship will be held once a month during the summer. Children will gather on June 16 (Father's Day) and July 21 (VBS Sunday). Children's Worship will resume weekly worship on Rally Day, August 11. During Children's Worship, children learn among many things, The Lord's Prayer and the Doxology. Next year we will also learn the Apostles' Creed. Also for next year our 5th graders will be eligible to help serve on "Park Patrol" as helpers during Children's Worship. If your child is interested, please let Maggie know. We will need one boy and one girl each Sunday. We also need one more adult volunteer to help lead Children's Worship.

Sunday School Classes for the summer (June 2-July 28): All rising first graders through high school will meet in the movie room on the 4th floor. We will be watching 30 minutes of *The Ten Commandments*. Following the movie we will address questions such as, How is this like the Bible? What is different? How do these themes apply to life today? Preschoolers will go to the nursery and adult classes will meet as usual.

Presbyterian Prayer Chain - If you want to share a concern or celebration with members of our FPC prayer group, contact Ann Waddle (931-624-2597; annwaddle@gmail.com).

VBS will be July 15-19 and the theme is "*Kingdom Rock; Where Kids Stand Strong for God*". The Training Session for shepherds will be Sunday, July 7 at 12:05 pm. Lunch and childcare will be provided. VBS Registration forms are available in the vestibule, church office, and newsletter. All VBS children will be invited to sing in worship on July 21.

Hymns in Worship - Drop your requests for hymns to sing in worship in the offering plate or on Neesa's desk, or send an email to fpccarksville@gmail.com. Hymns do not have to be listed in our hymnal, only favorites that can be easily located in old hymnals or online.

Family Camp, a new camp at **NaCoMe** will be offered August 2-4 (the weekend before public school begins). This will be a wonderful way to start the school year for your family. If you are interested, please contact the church office as registration forms are separate from the Youth Summer Camp form.

Rally Day will be Sunday, August 11. The Christian Education Committee will have a slide presentation during the Sunday School hour. 2nd Sunday lunch will be served in the fellowship hall following 11:00 worship.

Confirmation Class 2013-2014 - this year will include rising 7th graders and high-schoolers (who have not completed confirmation and are interested in joining the church). Our teaching staff will be leading a 6-week study designed to prepare high-schoolers to join FPC upon completion of the study series. Contact Maggie Brown in the church office if you are interested in this course of study. For adults wishing a similar class, we plan to offer a similar class in the winter.



First Presbyterian Church

*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!*

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