

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348
4th Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 am June 25, 2023

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (From Matthew 10:29-31)

Leader: Not one sparrow will fall to the ground apart from their Creator.

People: God tells us we are of more value than many sparrows.

Leader: God knows us and loves us. Even the hairs of our head are all counted.

People: We praise you, O God! Grateful are we for your love and care!

*HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" No. 267
(Red Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You send us, God of the Great Commission, but we hedge and hesitate. Forgive our fear and our excuses. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. Forgive our fears. Free our testimony. Help us be your faithful disciples. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 623 (Red Hymnal)
"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE READING James 1 : 1-18

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5: 1-16

SERMON "Choices" Eli Biddy, Member

*HYMN "The Old Rugged Cross" No. 186
(Red Hymnal)

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY No. 624 (Red Hymnal)
"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*HYMN "How Great Thou Art" No. 4
(Verse 1) (Red Hymnal)

*BENEDICTION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: May Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Minister: Go in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

No. 4 (Red Hymnal)

"How Great Thou Art"

(Verse 4)

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Leading Worship: Eli Bidy, Member; Juanita Ratliff, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director

Session Committee leaders

Administration-Joey Ratliff, Martha Davis, Chuck Eckel

Christian Education-Martha Davis

Clerk-Cindy Brown

Congregation Care-Nancy Bell

Fellowship-Sandi Hilgendorf

Finance-Chuck Eckel

Mission/Outreach-Marne Helberg, Rachel Poppell

Worship/Music-Marilyn Culpepper



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Notes & Announcements



The Flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God by Bob & Marne Helberg in thanksgiving for our 60 years of marriage.

- **Admin** meeting Monday June 26th at 4:00 pm in the library
- **Worship** meeting Tuesday, June 27th at 6:00 pm
- **Congregational Care** , will not meet this Wednesday, June 28th
- 10:00 am **Summer Worship** time change beginning July 2nd-August 6th
- Dr. McGarity will train Elders to serve **Communion to homebound**, July 2nd after Worship.
- **Ushers** for July 2nd: Warren Gregory, Polly Kincaid, Betty Culbreath, Tuckie Maulsby, Rachel Poppell
- **Liturgist** for July 2nd: Margaret Poppell
- **Communion Servers** for July 2nd: Martha Davis, Cindy Brown, Joey Ratliff, Alex Lutz
- FPC website www.firstpresperry.org



Please keep the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) in your prayers. The committee consists of Emaley Gentry, Jamie Poppell, Juanita Ratliff, Randy Speas and Shona Whiddon. We know God has a pastor for us and we pray He reveals this person to the PNC quickly.