

First Presbyterian Church

Lake Charles

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

Welcome

+ Call to Worship:

Psalm 123:1-2

Psalm 123:1 To you I lift up my eyes,
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

Psalm 123:2 As the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has
mercy upon us.

+ *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* # 551 (PH)

Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home:
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto God's praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take the harvest home;
From each field shall in that day
All offenses purge away;
Give the angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In God's garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come
To Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;

There forever purified,
In Thy presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels come,
Raise the glorious harvest home.

+ Opening Prayer

+ *Word of God Speak*

I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's okay
The last thing I need is to be heard
But to hear what You would say

Chorus

Word of God speak

Would You pour down like rain

Washing my eyes to see Your majesty

To be still and know

That You're in this place

Please let me stay and rest

In Your holiness

(Word of God speak)

I'm finding myself in the midst of You
Beyond the music beyond the noise
All that I need is to be with You
And in the quiet hear Your voice

Chorus

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And the funny thing is it's okay

Time with Children

Prayer of Confession & Illumination

Scripture

John 1:1-18

Special Music:

Bryce & Heather

"Again and Again" Coward, et al

Message

Willie Bellard

"Jesus is the Word of God"

+ Affirmation of Faith

"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

Time of Offering and Prayer

O Word of God Incarnate # 327 (PH)

O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky:
We praise You for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

The church from You, dear Savior,
Received this gift divine,
And still that light is lifted
On all the earth to shine.
It is the chart and compass
That, all life's voyage through,
Amid the rocks and quicksands,
Still guides, O Christ, to You.

O make Your church, dear Savior,
A lamp of purest gold
To bear before the nations
Your true light, as of old;
O teach Your wandering pilgrims
By this our path to trace,
Till, clouds and darkness ended,
We see You face to face

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me - Fisk Jubilee Singers

Charge and Benediction

***We are so glad you joined us for worship
today! Please come again!***

Opportunities for Worship & Fellowship

Prayer time each Sunday,
10:30 a.m. - 10:45a.m.,
in the large classroom.



Edie Ausmus will lead prayer time.

Presbyterian Women's Bag Lunch & Bible Study, Wednesday, November 29th.

Bag lunch @ Noon & Bible Study @12:30pm
(No meetings in December)

**Mission Mart will be open on
December 3rd & 10th**

Caroling in MorganField:

FPC will join Grace Point & East Ridge Baptist
Church for caroling **December 16th @ 5 pm to
6 pm**. We're planning to meet here in the parking
lot, load onto hayride trailers, sing and then share
hot chocolate and cookies afterwards. Sign-up sheet
is on the desk as you exit.

****Please Note: The office will be closed Thursday,
November 23rd (Thanksgiving) &
Friday, November 24th***



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Office Hours Tues. -Thur., 9am-2pm

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