

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*please stand as you are able.

Please fill in the center seats first.

July 22, 2018, 8:30 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

arr. M. Thompson;
S. Michael Shuman, pianist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others.)*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come now, all who thirst,

And drink the water of life.

Come now, all who hunger,

And be filled with good things.

Come now, all who seek,

And be warmed by the fire of love.

*HYMN 846

Fight the Good Fight

Glory to God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(seated, unison)*

Lord, we have sinned without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible. You know how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble. Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up your cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *(silent reflection) Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: **in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*RESPONSE 821

My Life Flows On (verse 4)

Glory to God

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!

All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SONG 2233

Where Children Belong

Sing the Faith

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Phil Butin

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:4b-16

⁴ If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. ¹⁶ Only let us hold fast to what we have attained.

SERMON

Pressing on Towards the Goal of the Upward Call

Brianne Christiansen

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us, and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

How Can I Keep from Singing?

arr. J. Vogt

*RESPONSE 2045

Sing a New Song to the Lord (verses 1 and 2)

Sing the Faith

Sing a new song to the Lord, he to whom wonders belong!
Rejoice in his triumph and tell of his power—O sing to the Lord a new song!

Now to the ends of the earth see his salvation is shown!
And still he remembers his mercy and truth, unchanging in love to his own.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Hymn 559) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

(Hymn 560) **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

(Hymn 561) **Amen, amen, amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

God, in your grace ... **You hear our prayers.**

**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.**

SENDING

*HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

Glory to God

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude on Duke Street

A.L. Page

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO YOU! Ushers are happy to help with whatever needs you might have.

PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE FOR CHILDREN under five years old is provided in Lower Calvin from 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. We offer a **Time with Children** during worship. Afterward, children may go to childcare or stay in worship.

OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES IS GOD'S PEOPLE ON THE MOVE. We will focus on welcoming and embracing the many ways God has met God's people in the midst of changing times, places, and circumstances.

7/22 *Pressing On* **7/29** *Honduras Mission Guest Speakers* **8/5** *Growing into Godliness*

SUMMER CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES—Please join us!

Our **adult** class meets in Calvin 201 to engage in discussion centered around the worship theme and scriptures texts each week.

Children who will be four by August through fifth grade are invited to Upper Knox for spiritual growth Adventures.

Youth (seventh through twelfth grade) will meet in Lower Witherspoon with Jacob and Brianne Christiansen.

"MEET & EAT" - We will meet at Gulley Park on July 26 at 6:30 p.m. for the free Summer concert series featuring Barrett Baber concert! Bring your own picnic dinner and join us for fellowship and food! Look for the FUPC balloons!

SUNDAY, JULY 29 WE WILL HAVE SPECIAL GUESTS FROM HONDURAS leading worship and Christian Education! Rev. Dori Hjalmarson, our PCUSA Mission Co-Worker serving in Honduras, will be preaching in worship at both services. During the Christian Education hour, she will lead a Honduras discussion and slideshow. We will hear about new and exciting developments in God's work through FUPC and the Presbytery of Honduras. Nora Palma, President of the Presbyterian Women of Honduras, will also be with us. We invite all to join us for a catered lunch following the 11 o'clock worship service, for further conversation and fellowship around our Honduras Mission.

GRANDPARENTS PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE LIVES OF OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG FAMILIES HERE AT FUPC AND FIRST SCHOOL and sometimes we don't live near our parents and grandparents. We'd like to help you connect with "surrogate" families and grandparents from within our congregation. If you are interested, please contact Kristi Button (kbutton@fupcfay.org or 442-4411) for more information.

OUR ANNUAL SESSION RETREAT WILL BE SATURDAY, AUGUST 26. We are grateful for everyone who is serving on a committee. If you are on a ministry committee, please plan to join us from 8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m. as we discuss and take ownership of our goal of "Growing Whole"—deepening and broadening the participation and ownership, not only of older adults, but also of younger adults and families with children and youth. The basis for our discussion will be the book, *Growing Young*, by Kara Powell. Our goal is to broaden ownership of this important aspect of our vision. Lunch will be served. Please notify your committee moderator if you can attend and make your reservation through the Church Office (officemanager@fupcfay.org or 442-4411). The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, August 15 at noon.

Calendar for the Week Ahead

Sun., July 22	8:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship	Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education for All	FUPC Campus
	2:30 p.m.	Worship Committee	Library
	4:00 p.m.	Fellowship Committee	Calvin 201
Tues., July 24	11:00 a.m.	PW's Covenant Group Luncheon	at the home of Ada Lee Malone
	12:00 p.m.	Men's Lunch	Western Sizzlin'
	3:30 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Butterfield Trail Village
	5:30 p.m.	Stewardship Committee	The Commons
Wed., July 25	6:30 p.m.	Fellow"Shape" Yoga	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Village Inn
	6:00 p.m.	United Presbyterian Youth in the Park	Gulley Park Gazebo
Thurs., July 26	6:30 p.m.	"Meet & Eat" Picnic and Free Concert	Gulley Park
	7:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee	The Commons
Fri., July 27	10:00 a.m.	Hooks and Needles	Upper Witherspoon
Sat., July 28	10:00 a.m.	Fellow"Shape" Zumba	Fellowship Hall
Sun., July 29	8:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship	Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education for All	FUPC Campus
	12:15 p.m.	Catered Honduras Mission Lunch	Fellowship Hall
	12:15 p.m.	Board of Deacons	Upper Witherspoon