

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June 26, 2022

8:30 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Change My Heart O God

Isaac Thomas, piano

Music by Eddie Espinosa; Arranged by Mark Hayes

WELCOME

Rev. Jan Butin

*Please sign the Welcome Pad and pass it on to your neighbor.
We are glad you chose to worship with us today!*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (1 John 3:1-3)

See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God,
and that is what we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

What we do know is this:

when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

*HYMN 703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Glory to God

Words by Paul Gerhardt; Music by Henri Frederick Hemy

**Jesus, thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare;
O knit my thankful heart to thee, and reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, thine alone, I'd live; myself to thee entirely give.**

**O grant that nothing in my soul may dwell, but thy pure love alone;
O may thy love possess me whole, my joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove; may every act, word, thought be love.**

**O Love, how gracious is thy way! All fear before thy presence flies;
care, anguish, sorrow melt away where're thy healing beams arise.
O Jesus, nothing may I see, nothing desire, or seek, but thee.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (from Psalm 51)

Steve Adair

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love. According to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Against you, you alone, have I sinned so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen. (silent prayer)

*RESPONSE 417

Lord Jesus, Think on Me (verse 1)

Glory to God

Words: Synesius of Cyrene; Translation by Allen W. Chatfield; Music: Daman's Psalms

**Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin.
From earthborn passions set me free, and make me pure within.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you.**

CHILDREN'S SONG 175

Seek Ye First

Glory to God

Words and Music by Karen Lafferty

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kristi Button

ANTHEM

Could You Believe?

Tori Rudolph, soprano

Words and Music by Twila Paris

Isaac Thomas, piano

He was a friend to sinners, He was a gentle man. Beautiful, humble, master plan.
His voice could pierce the darkness, quiet an angry sea. I hear Him saying, "Follow Me!"
I look in your eyes and I tell you these things, but somehow I know that it's hard to believe.
Could you believe if I really was like Him? If I lived all the things that I said?
If for a change I would kneel down before you and serve you instead, could you believe?

He was the Lamb of Mercy, undying hope of men waiting for love to come again.
He is the Light of Heaven, radiant Prince of Peace. I hear Him saying, "Follow Me!"
I look in your eyes and I tell you these things, but somehow I know that it's hard to believe.
Could you believe if I carried my own cross? If I saw that the children were fed?
If for a moment I held my opinion and quietly led; could you believe?

I am meant to be a pure reflection of the truth. So above it all, I pray that I will not obscure the view.
Could you believe if I stood here transparent and through me you could look in His eyes?
Could you believe if you saw right inside and there was no disguise?
Could you believe if I really was like Him, if I lived all the words the he said?
If it was clear that I held in my heart what I know in my head, could you believe?
Could you believe, looking at me? Could you believe? Could you believe?

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 5:8

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

SERMON

Blessed are You who are Pure in Heart

Rev. Jan Butin

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Declaration of Faith)

Rev. Phil Butin

We need constantly to search out God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort. We are charged to pray for ourselves and others with gratitude, boldness, and persistence, confident that God hears and answers our prayers in ways best for us all. Life in God's presence issues in life for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see.

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

I Exalt Thee

Isaac Thomas, piano

Music by Pete Sanchez, Jr.; Arranged by Mark Hayes

***RESPONSE 701**

Lord Prepare Me (Sanctuary)

Glory to God

Words and Music by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kristi Button

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

***HYMN 804**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! (verses 1, 3 and 4)

Glory to God

Words by Edward Hayes Plumptre; Music by Arthur Henry Messiter

**Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.**

[Refrain] **Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!**

**Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe: [Refrain]**

**At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. [Refrain]**

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE 286**

Breathe on Me, Breath of God! (verses 1 and 2)

Glory to God

Words by Edwin Hatch; Music by Robert Jackson

**Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.**

POSTLUDE

This is the Day
Music: Fihian Folk Melody

Isaac Thomas, piano

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