

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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September 25, 2022

8:30 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Isaac Thomas, piano

Music from *Gesangbuch der Herzogl, Wuttemberg, 1784*; Arranged by Bob Kauflin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 *(from Psalm 100)*

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.
Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

*HYMN 2016

Glorify Thy Name

Sing the Faith

Words and Music by Marc Imboden and Tammi Rhoton

Father, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth.
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth.
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth.
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and mighty God, you alone are worthy of praise. You have fully given us yourself, embracing our created time and space in the person of your son, Jesus Christ. As the Holy Spirit living in us, you enable us to respond to you with our whole hearts. But we confess that we've too often failed to give ourselves fully to you. We've put other things in your place. We've been lazy in our commitments to worship you each week. We've tuned out your word, hearing only what we want to hear. We've substituted personal preferences for the worship you deserve. Forgive us. Fill us again and again with your Spirit, that we might put you first in everything. May we worship you in Spirit and in Truth.
Be our All in All. Amen. *(silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*RESPONSE 519

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak

Words and Music by Dennis L. Jernigan

Glory to God

**You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.
When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CHILDREN'S SONG

I Am the Church, You Are the Church

Traditional Children's Song

[Refrain] **I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!
All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together.**

**The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple,
the church is not a resting place, the church is people. [Refrain]**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Jan Butin

HYMN 619

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven (verses 1 and 4)

Words by Henry Francis; Music by John Goss

Glory to God

**Praise, my soul, the God of heaven; glad of heart your carols raise;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise?
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all your days!**

**Angels, teach us adoration; you behold God face to face.
Sun and moon and all creation, dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 3:1-6; 13-15

3 Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³ Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴ When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ¹³ But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Hebrews 12:28-29; 13:15-16

²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire. ¹⁵ Through Jesus, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Colossians 3:15-17

¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

SERMON

Spirit-Inspired Worship

Rev. Phil Butin

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from the Confession of 1967)

The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. In that response, it commits itself afresh to its mission, experiences a deepening of faith and obedience, and bears open testimony to the gospel. Adoration of God is acknowledgment of the Creator by the creation. Confession of sin is admission of all guilt before God and of the need for forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God’s goodness to all and in giving for the needs of others. Petitions and intercessions are addressed to God for the continuation of his goodness, the healing of our ills, and our deliverance from every form of oppression. The arts, especially music and architecture, contribute to the praise and prayer of a Christian congregation when they help us to look beyond ourselves to God and to the world which is the object of divine love.

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

The Giving

Music by Michael W. Smith

Isaac Thomas, piano

***RESPONSE 606**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Words by Neil Weatherhogg; Music by Genevan Psalter

Glory to God

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Isaac Thomas

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

***HYMN 625**

How Great Thou Art

Words by Stuart K. Hine; Music: Swedish folk melody; Adapted by Stuart K. Hine

Glory to God

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hand have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

[Refrain] **Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin: [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, “My God, how great thou art!” [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

He is Exalted
Music by Twila Paris; Setting by Wayne Oquin

Isaac Thomas, piano

Childcare is available each Sunday for children under 5 years old in Upper Knox.

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