

# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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January 21, 2024 11:00 a.m.

**GATHERING** 

(Please use this time to prepare reflectively for worship.)

RINGING OF THE BELL
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
OPENING PRAYER

Bo Morton Amanda McDonald

PRELUDE Meditation on Repton
Composition by Robert A. Hobby

Marshall Jones, organ

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 51)

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.

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.

\*HYMN 415 (verses 1, 3, 4)

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Words by Joseph Hart; Music by Walker's Southern Harmony Glory to God

LeNelle Cagle

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.

In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all. I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms. In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.

In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (seated, unison)

Luiz Perez

Sovereign Creator, you have made us in your image, to reflect your glory, love, and goodness to the world. You have charged us with the responsibility of caring for your whole creation; loving and serving you above all. But we confess that again and again, we have put ourselves and our own interests above your created purpose for us, tarnishing your image and misrepresenting you to those around us. Forgive us, God of mercy and grace. Renew your image in us according to the pattern of your Son, our Lord Jesus the Messiah, who was and is the perfect reflection of your glory and the exact imprint of your very being. By your Holy Spirit, may he live in and through us, that those who don't yet know and serve you might come to honor you as you deserve. Amen. (silent confession)

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*RESPONSE 695

Change My Heart, O God Words and Music by Eddie Espinosa

Glory to God

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you. You are the Potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE Alison Harrington

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

CHILDREN'S SONG (verse 1)

God of Great and God of Small Words and Music by Natalie Sleeth

Glory to God

God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all, God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong, alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

TIME FOR CHILDREN Amanda McDonald

ANTHEM Praise the Lord Chancel Choir Words and Music by G. F. Händel; Arranged by Hal Hopson Xiao Yang, piano

Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth, let songs of joy break forth.

Sing alleluia. Praise His name forevermore. (repeat verse)

Shout, sing and dance and celebrate. Rejoice, let all within us praise His name.

Shout, sing and dance and celebrate. Come dance and celebrate.

Sing alleluia. Praise His name forever more.

Shout, sing, let songs of joy break forth. Let songs of joy break forth. Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth, let songs of joy break forth.

Sing alleluia. Praise His name forevermore.

Shout, sing, let songs of joy break forth. Let songs of joy break forth.

Sing alleluia. Sing for joy. Sing alleluia, Sing for joy.

Rejoice, O praise His name forevermore.

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Phil Butin

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### Genesis 3:1-13

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.' " <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. <sup>8</sup>They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate.

Ephesians 2:1-3

<sup>1</sup>As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, <sup>2</sup>in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh.

**SERMON** Fallen from God's Image Rev. Phil Butin

#### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

#### ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW ELDERS AND DEACONS

There are different gifts,

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, **But it is the same Lord who is served.** 

Each one is given gifts by the Spirit, to use for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of Him.

#### PRESENTATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

**VOWS OF THE ELDERS AND DEACONS** 

**VOWS OF THE CONGREGATION** 

Do we the members of the church, accept these persons as elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Christ? **We do.** 

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the head of the Church? **We do.** 

#### PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Elders in the church will stay in your pews and join in the prayer by stretching your hands towards the elders and deacons to be installed and ordained.

## PRAYER BY THE CONGREGATION

God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation, give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world, through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Amen.

\*HYMN 749 (verse 1)

Come, Live in the Light
Words and Music by David Haas

Glory to God

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.
We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly;
We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Kristi Button

OFFERTORY
Our Great God
Words and Music by Fernando Ortega and Mac Powell

Jeffrey Kerst, Tenor Isaac Thomas, piano

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown. Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown. Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight around Your glorious throne. They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone.

[Refrain] Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.
Surround us with Your angels, hold us in Your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee, before our sovereign God. [Refrain]

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird, let every mountain, every field, and valley of the earth. Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe. Sing praises to the Living God, who rules them by His Word. [Refrain]

**RESPONSE 432** (verses 1, 4)

How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord
Words by Fred Pratt Green; Music by C. Hubert H. Parry

Glory to God

How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call to live according to your word and daily learn, refreshed, restored, that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.

In what you give us, Lord, to do, together or alone, in old routines or ventures new, may we not cease to look to you: the cross you hung upon, all you endeavored done.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Kristi Button

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kristi Button

God, in your grace, you hear our prayer.

#### 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## **SENDING**

\*HYMN 429 (vss. 1, 2, 4)

As a Chalice Cast of Gold Words by Thomas H. Troeger; Music by Carol Doran Glory to God

As a chalice cast of gold, burnished, bright and brimmed with wine, make me, Lord, as fit to hold grace and truth and love divine. Let my praise and worship start with the cleansing of my heart.

Save me from the soothing sin of the empty cultic deed and the pious, babbling din of the claimed but unlived creed. Let my actions, Lord, express what my tongue and lips profess.

When I dance or chant your praise, when I sing a psalm or hymn, when I preach your loving ways, let my heart add its Amen. Let each cherished outward rite thus reflect your inward light.

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Phil Butin

**POSTLUDE** 

Jesus Christus, Unser Heiland Marshall Jones, organ Composed by Johann Sebastian Bach (Our worship continues through the Postlude. If you need to leave, please do so quietly. Otherwise, please remain seated.)

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#### **Participants**

Rev. Phil Butin Co-Pastor
Isaac Thomas, Minister of Music/Commissioned Ruling Elder
Marshall Jones, Guest Organist
Xiao Yang, Choral Accompanist
Kristi Button, Director of Christian Education
Amanda McDonald, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Christopher Verdery, Connor Button, and Drew Parker, Audio/Visual Team
Mindy Mock, Childcare Coordinator
Amy McCann, Membership Coordinator
Amy Rossetti, Communications Coordinator
Elizabeth Benham, Office Manager