# First Presbyterian Church Worship Bulletin 11.3.24 24st Sunday After Pentecost-All Saints

### **Gathering Music**

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

# **Prayer of the Day**

### Remembering our Baptism

Remember your baptism and be thankful.

**Prelude** Foundation Medley Arr: Eugene Butler

### \*Call to Worship

Praise the Lord.

Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

Happy are those whose help is from God—the One who made heaven and earth.

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the One who created the seas and all that is in them. Happy are those whose hope is in God—

the One who keeps faith forever,

the One who feeds the hungry

and defends the oppressed.

God will reign forever, for all generations.

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Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

## \*Hymn of Praise How Firm A Foundation #361

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word! What more can be said than to you God hath said, To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress. 4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

### **Call to Confession**

Friends, a hungry, scared widow welcomed the prophet Elijah into her home and to her table. She didn't know he was a great prophet of God. How are we to respond? Let us lay our burdens before Christ, asking for forgiveness for those times we kept a clenched fist instead of an open hand. Let us pray...

## **Laying our Burdens Before Christ**

God of Hospitality, we stand in awe of those who are able to welcome others who may be hungry or lost. Forgive us when our day becomes too busy to welcome others into our midst. Take us deep into the heart of hospitality. Remind us, O God, that we are to set many tables, to speak blessings often and to be your love in the world. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Prayer Song In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful STF2283 In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

#### Silent Reflection and Confession

# \*Proclamation of the Gospel

Hear the good news: Those who seek will find help and hope in God. In Jesus we are raised to newness of life and receive his forgiveness.

# \*Passing the Peace of Christ

Jesus invites us here today. We are not alone. We are filled from his unending storehouse of grace and peace. It is that grace and peace we share with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.** 

Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

#### \*The Gloria Patri

### **Prayer for God's Wisdom**

God of new life, Open our hearts and minds to your Word that we may come closer to your Son Jesus. Amen.

Scripture 1 Kings 17:8-24

Message Saint Surprise!

\*Hymn of Response For All the Saints STF2283

1)For all the saints who've shown your love in how they live and where they move, for mindful women, caring men, accept our gratitude again.

2)For all the saints who loved your name, whose faith increased the Savior's fame, who sang your songs and shared your word, accept our gratitude, good Lord.

3)For all the saints who named your will and showed your kingdom coming still through selfless protest, prayer and praise, accept the gratitude we raise.

4)Bless all whose will or name or love reflects the grace of heaven above. Though unacclaimed by earthly powers, your life through theirs has hallowed ours

Welcoming New Members Carol and Allen Evans

# **Prayers of the Community & Remembering the Saints**

To respect others' privacy, we ask that you first ask permission from an individual for whom you would like to request the congregation to pray. Please share only their first name and avoid detailed descriptions of their situation in awareness that your words are recorded online.

## Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves to God

Offertory When the Roll is Called Up Yonder, I'll be There
With Allen Evans Arr: Mark Hayes

### \*Doxology

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

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we give these gifts because you ask us to share. We dedicate this offering and our lives to your service, that the hungry may be fed, the oppressed may receive justice, and the stranger may be welcomed in our midst. We offer this prayer in the name of the bearer of your good news, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

#### \*Benediction

Postlude

Aun lob, Mein Seel den Herren (My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker) Arr: Johann Walther

### Remembering in Prayer

<u>Praise and Thanksgiving:</u> (Lord, hear our praise): As we remember the saints, let us also celebrate the saints that surround us every day.

Ministry of the Church in the Community: Neighbors Together

**Healing and Encouragement** (Lord, hear our prayer):

<u>Homebound:</u> Ernie, Carlene and Wayne, Sheri and Jim, Connie S, Shirley

For those seeking healing and comfort: Theresa, Mary Helen, Will, Greg, Ebel family, Tracey, Denny, Marsha, Eric, Shelby, Rita, Jimmy, Pattie, John, Linda, Michael, Steve, and Susan, John, Matthew, Dan, Jan P, Fred, Preston, Ron, Betty, friends fighting cancer, Fox, Grandma Ida, Brenda's friend Cade, Rita, Kimberly & Chris, Gene, Dorothy, Peggy's family, Shannon, Ross, George, Corban, Nicholas F. & family, Cindy & Steve, Ukraine and Middle East

<u>For Our Nation:</u> As we come upon election day, may we have the grace and love to accept those who vote differently from us.

## **Psalm of Encouragement:**

The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord! Psalm 146:10

## **Upcoming Events**

The Frozen Chosen at 6:00pm Sunday in the PFC until Nov 10th CFN Dinners Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the PFC until Nov 13th NT Wright's study on Acts on Tuesday, Nov 5, at 1PM in the Parlor

On-line donations are now being accepted. If you wish to support the church ministry by donating with your credit or debit card, click on the "Give Now" link on the church webpage, www.fpclagrande.org, or use the QR code.

