

DIVINE WORSHIP

The prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the world and the sanctuary. During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary. (Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)

PRELUDE

Bach Cello Suite No. 6: Allemande
Patrick Bellah, cello

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Minister)

1 Peter 2:4-5

Come to worship the Lord; and, as you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

*SONG OF ASCENT (Unison)

Psalm 100

1. Shout to the Lord, all earth, and make a joy-ful noise! With
2. En-ter his gates with thanks, and fill his courts with praise. Give
5
glad-ness serve the Lord your God; be-fore him lift your voice! Now
thanks to him, and bless his name; to God your voices raise. Be-
9
know the Lord is God. He made us, we are his, his
cause the Lord is good, his steadfast love endures; from
13
peo-ple and his sheep, who safely in his pasture graze.
age to age, for-ever-more, his faithful-ness is sure.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruling Elder

Proverbs 25:21-22
Matthew 5:43-48

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE (Unison)

We Gather Together
Trinity Hymnal, 363

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

Ruling Elder

GLORIA PATRI (Unison)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison)

Psalm 51:3-4

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison)

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*HYMN OF REJOICING (Unison)

Before the Throne of God Above

1. Be-fore the throne of God a-bove I have a strong and per-fect
2. When Sa-tan tempts me to des-pair, and tells me of the guilt with-
3. Be-hold Him there, the ris-en Lamb, my per-fect spot-less right-eous-
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plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who e-ver lives and pleads for
in, up-ward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my
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ness, the great un-change-a-ble "I Am," the King of glo-ry and of
me. My name is writ-ten on His hands, my name is writ-ten on His
sin. Be-cause the sin-less Sav-ior died, my sin-ful soul is count-ed
12
grace. One with Him-self I can-not die, my soul is pur-chased by His
heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence de-
free, for God the Just is sat-is-fied to look on Him and par-don
16
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Sav-ior and my
part, no tongue can bid me thence de-part.
me, to look on Him and par-don me.
God, with Christ my Sav-ior and my God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Minister: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

Congregation: of all things visible and invisible.

Minister: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds,

Congregation: God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

Minister: begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

Congregation: by whom all things were made;

Minister: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;

Congregation: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;

Minister: and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

Congregation: and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

Minister: And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

Congregation: who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

Minister: who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

Congregation: and we believe in one holy catholic** and apostolic Church;

Minister: we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

Congregation: and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

*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*

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS (Choir)

*DOXOLOGY (Unison)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Deacon

SERMON

Loving (and Living with) Your Neighbor
Romans 12:14-21 (Pew Bible, 948)

Dr. John Clayton

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (Unison)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Trinity Hymnal, 359

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION (Minister)

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

For All the Saints

* = Please stand if able.

**The word "catholic" means universal.

Sermon Notes

Loving (and Living with) Your Neighbor
Romans 12:14-21 (Pew Bible, 948)

I. Introduction

II. Live Graciously

III. Live Empathetically

IV. Live Amicably

V. Live Humbly

VI. Live Honorably

VII. Live Virtuously

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith

Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church of Fort Smith! We are thankful that you have come to worship the true and living God with us. Our worship service, in essence, is a covenant renewal ceremony in which the covenant community gathers to hear the covenant promises, which have been secured for us by Christ, and respond in faith. The congregation is not a passive but active participant in the worship service.

If you are visiting with us this morning, please complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate during the offertory so that we may have a record of your visit.

Paraments: Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and point us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history. Green is displayed during "ordinary time" which includes the period between Epiphany and Lent and the period between Pentecost and Advent. Green represents spiritual growth and world missions.

Seating: Please be courteous by moving toward the front of the sanctuary providing room in the back for those arriving late.

Restrooms: Restrooms are available at the East-end on the sanctuary level or downstairs at the East-end of the hallway. Please use the restrooms downstairs during the worship service.

Children & Restrooms: Parents, please accompany your children to the restroom during the worship service.

Adult Sunday School Series: Please join us in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. for our series, *Proverbs: Words of Wisdom*, a topical study of select proverbs.

Covenant Game Night: Our next Game Night is this Saturday, June 25th from 5:00-8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. To reserve your spot, please contact Marian Henry at 918-728-5844 so she can coordinate the food.

Weekly Giving Summary

General fund giving – June 12th: \$17,507
Designated giving: \$125
Total giving: \$17,632

General fund giving (YTD): \$247,743
Designated giving (YTD): \$2,544
Total giving (YTD): \$250,287

Ministry Staff

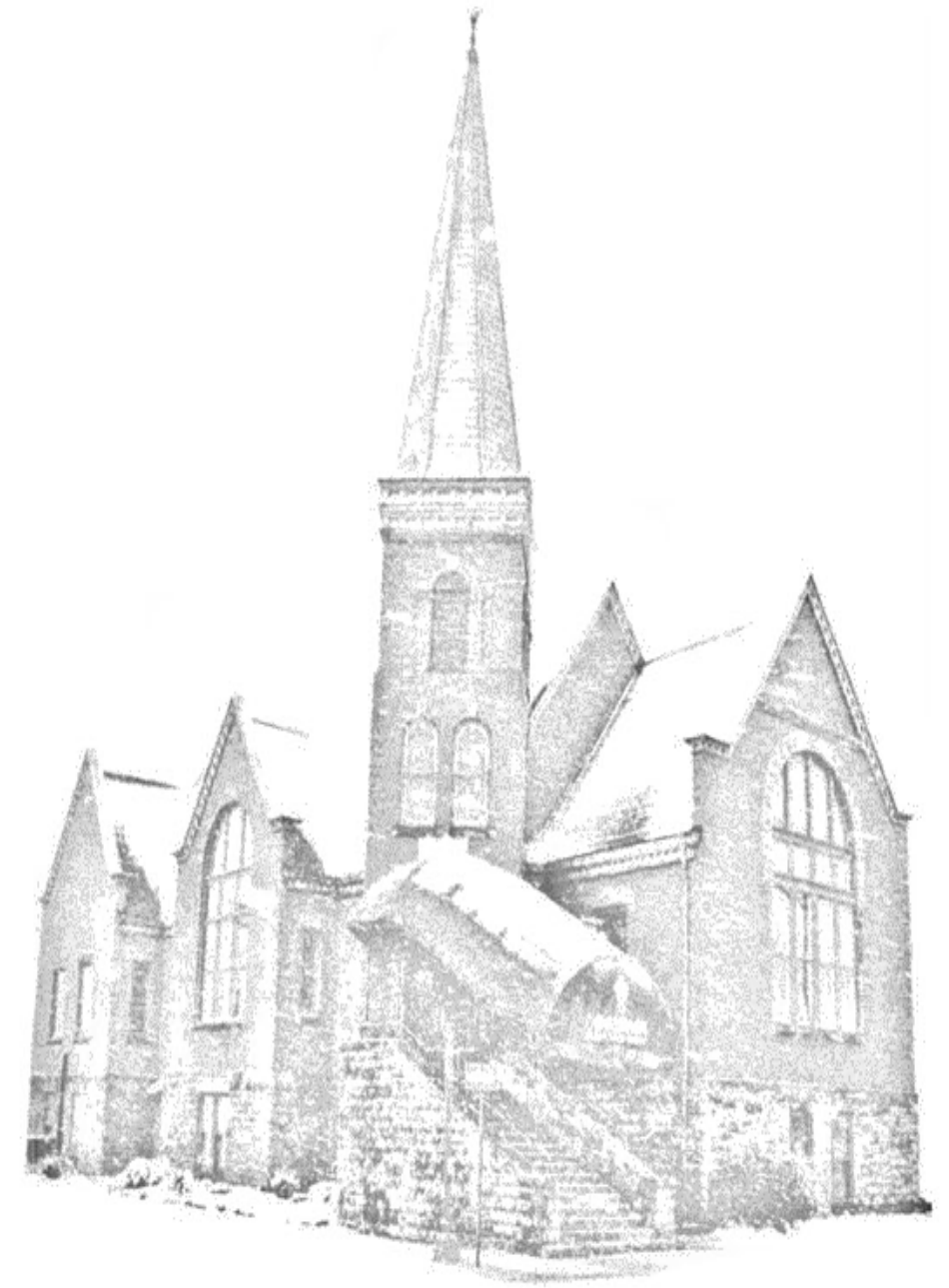
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Lord's Day, June 19, 2022

10:30 A.M.

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name,
O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night" (Psalm 92:1,2)

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