

# The Lord's Day Worship Service

May 17, 2020

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

## ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Ps. 122:1

I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Prayer of Invocation

- \* Hymn # 9....."All You That Fear Jehovah's Name"
- \* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Acts 22:1-11

## CONFESSION OF SIN

From the Dutch Psalter of Peter Dathenus (1566).....read responsively

O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before your great Majesty against which we have frequently and grievously sinned.

**We acknowledge that we deserve nothing less than eternal death.**

We are unclean before you and children of wrath.

**We continually transgress your commandments, failing to do what you have commanded us, and doing that which you have expressly forbidden.**

We all like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way.

**We acknowledge our waywardness, and are heartily sorry for all our sins.**

We confess, to our humiliation and to the praise of your mercy, that our transgressions are innumerable, and that our debt is so great that we cannot even begin to repay.

**We are not worthy to be called your children, nor to lift up our eyes heavenward to you in prayer.**

Nevertheless, O Lord God and gracious Father, we know that you do not desire the death of the sinner, but rather that he should turn to you and live.

**We know that your mercy toward those who turn to you is infinite, and so we take courage to call upon you from the depths of our hearts, trusting in our Mediator Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.**

Forgive all our sins for Christ's sake. Have compassion upon us in our infirmities.

**Wash us in the pure fountain of his blood, so that we may become clean and white as snow.**

Cover us with his innocence and righteousness, for the glory of your name.

**Deliver our understanding from all blindness, and our hearts from all willfulness and rebellion.**

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

*For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.*

Lk. 19:10

Therefore I declare to you, that:

*If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.*

Rom. 10:9

**Amen!**

## CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

- \* Hymn # 166....."Wondrous King, All-Glorious"
- \* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Acts 22:12-21

The Heidelberg Catechism (Lord's Day 20).....read responsively

Q. 53 What dost thou believe concerning the Holy Ghost?

**A. First, that he is true and coeternal God with the Father and the Son; secondly, that he is also given me, to make me by a true faith, partaker of Christ and all his benefits, that he may comfort me and abide with me for ever.**

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

- \* Doxology.....page 731
- \* Offertory Prayer
- \* Hymn # 316....."The Mighty God, the Lord"

## MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

- \* Reading of the Word of God.....Acts 22:22-29

Sermon: "A Witness for Christ" .....Dr. Jones  
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**RESPONSE AND BLESSING**

- \* Hymn # 469....."How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"
- \* Benediction
- \* Congregational Threefold Amen

Acts 22:12-21 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup> "A certain Ananias, a man who was devout by the standard of the Law, and well spoken of by all the Jews who lived there, <sup>13</sup> came to me, and standing near said to me, 'Brother Saul, receive your sight!' And at that very time I looked up at him. <sup>14</sup> "And he said, 'The God of our fathers has appointed you to know His will and to see the Righteous One and to hear an utterance from His mouth. <sup>15</sup> 'For you will be a witness for Him to all men of what you have seen and heard. <sup>16</sup> 'Now why do you delay? Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.' <sup>17</sup> "It happened when I returned to Jerusalem and was praying in the temple, that I fell into a trance, <sup>18</sup> and I saw Him saying to me, 'Make haste, and get out of Jerusalem quickly, because they will not accept your testimony about Me.' <sup>19</sup> "And I said, 'Lord, they themselves understand that in one synagogue after another I used to imprison and beat those who believed in You. <sup>20</sup> 'And when the blood of Your witness Stephen was being shed, I also was standing by approving, and watching out for the coats of those who were slaying him.' <sup>21</sup> "And He said to me, 'Go! For I will send you far away to the Gentiles.' "

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# FRPC Announcements

May 17, 2020

We welcome all worshippers, especially our new visitors.  
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

**WELCOME** – We welcome you all to the worship service of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Moss Bluff. Our desire and prayer is for this church to grow to become a light for the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this community.

**SUGGESTIONS** – We welcome your input and suggestions on how to make First Reformed Presbyterian Church *the* church for you.

**COMMUNION** – We observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship. The center cups contain grape juice and the other cups contain wine.

**BIBLE STUDY** – This Thursday we will resume our Bible Study with Lord’s Day 20 from the study of the Heidelberg Catechism.

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

Sunday Worship.....8:30 A.M.  
Fellowship Time.....9:30 A.M.  
Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.  
This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....<https://youtu.be/0W2jP2ZTHEQ>

### Thursday

Thursday Fellowship Meal the clinic.....6:00 P.M.  
Thursday Prayer Meeting.....6:45 P.M.

# First Reformed Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

## THE CHURCH

FRPC & DeRidder PCA.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal  
Southern Louisiana Presbytery.....108<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting on July 25, 2020  
Presbyterian Church in America.....48<sup>th</sup> General Assembly has been canceled  
Persecuted Christians.....Pastor Wang Yi & Early Rain Covenant Church, China

## MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers  
Brian Brock.....Missionary pilot  
Bill Carr.....Mokahum Ministry Center (Native American Ministry) in Bemidji, MN  
Scott Clement.....(RE Plains PCA, Zachary) Navojoa, Sonora, Mexico  
Yannick Imbert.....Prof. at Aix-en-Provence, France

## SALVATION

Kathy’s and Barbara’s sisters  
Don  
Jennie

## CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

Abby Finn	Caleb Greene	Noah Greene
Gavin Finn	Eowyn Greene	Phillip Greene
Lizzie Finn	Ilijah Greene	Samuel Greene

## GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Harvey Clineman.....Salvation; recovery from multiple bypass surgery  
Bill Haas (director of Mokahum).....Stroke and recovery  
Kathy Harper.....Pain in lower abdomen  
Angie.....Virus infection in Asst Care facility where she works  
Barbara Hebert.....Recovery from stroke; broken foot  
Beth Lordo.....Balancing work and family; medical treatments  
Don Lordo.....Kidney stones  
Ben Scoggins.....Rehab  
Charity Scoggins.....Eczema  
Elbie (Elizabeth) van der Merwe.....Spot on spine; cannot walk; test results

## CANCER

Margo Attwell.....Breast Cancer; chemo and radiation  
Patty Audirsch.....Lung cancer; chemo and radiation; sepsis  
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery  
Ken Richardson.....Cancer; heart medication  
Marian Richardson.....Cancer; benign tumor in ear  
Butch Sizelove.....Cancer; liver problems

## A WITNESS FOR CHRIST

Text: Acts 22:1–29

### I. PAUL'S PAST

- A. Jewish Upbringing
  
- B. Zeal For The Law
  
- C. Persecutor Of The Church

### II. PAUL'S CONVERSION

- A. A Light And Voice On The Road To Damascus
  
- B. Jesus Speaks
  
- C. Paul Is Blinded

## III. PAUL'S CALLING

- A. A Witness For Christ
  
- B. A Vision From Christ
  
- C. A Call To Gentile Ministry

## IV. PAUL'S CITIZENSHIP

- A. Jewish Reaction
  
- B. Prepared To Be Flogged
  
- C. Appeal To Roman Citizenship
  
- D. Holding Authorities Accountable For Their Actions