

10:00 am Worship Sunday, February 23rd, 2020



For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

1 Corinthians 3:9



# Welcome to Worship at

# Please "CHECK IN" using your favorite Social Media prior to service

- @ffcpeoria / #ffcpeoria
- Please silence your devices during service
- Please LIKE, FOLLOW and SHARE our Facebook and YouTube pages

# Please pass the Pew Friendship Pads:

- VISITORS ~ please share your name & contact information, we'd love to stay in touch!
- MEMBERS ~ keep us up to date on contact information, sign up for and volunteer for special events, service projects and small group studies!

# **Worship Aids:**

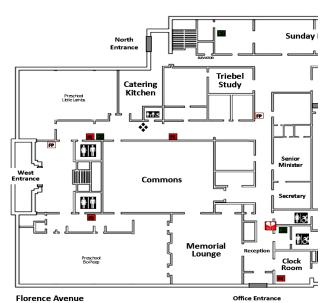
- Large print hymnals, individual listening devices and reading glasses are available in the Narthex for an improved worship experience.
- Worship also can be heard through the speakers in the Lounge and the Commons.
- Children's Worship bags containing quiet activities, are available in the front & back of the sanctuary by the ushers' stands. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

# Pastoral Care:

- Please contact the church office to pass along a prayer request or of births, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths.
- Call 685-5258 or e-mail: info@ffcpeoria.com.

Parking Lot

A Handicap / Family
Bathroom
is located in the
hallway outside
the Commons
on the first floor.



# First Federated Church!

# Questions?

- Look for our HOSPITALITY TASK FORCE VOLUNTEERS!
- They'll be the ones looking for you with "ASK ME" buttons!

# Sunday School is provided each week during 10 am worship.

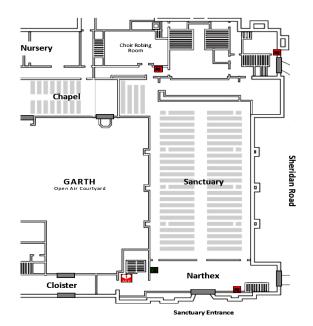
- Preschoolers 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms.
- 6th 8th grade have Junior High Sunday school classes and fellowship.
- Senior High students, 9th 12th grades, remain in worship and attend Sunday school and fellowship events on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm.
- Classes during worship on Sunday mornings last until approximately 11:00 am.
- Schedule varies during summer months.

# Childcare Nursery is available:

- Nursery facilities are available for your infant or small child during our 10 am worship each Sunday.
- The nursery is located next to the Chapel. See one of our greeters for directions.

# We invite you to fellowship following service:

- Stop by the Commons for coffee and Fellowship after worship.
- Information pamphlets about church programs and volunteer opportunities are available.



Please silence your devices during our worship service.

# **PRELUDE**

# **NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

INTROIT Tremble, Oh Tremble

FFC Chancel Choir

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

II Corinthians 4:6

(Responsive)

Leader: As God spoke, calling light out of

darkness,

Congregation: God's glory shines in the face of

Jesus.

# LITANY FOR TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

(Responsive)

Congregation: Blessed is the Lord our God, who

revealed the law to Moses.

Blessed is the Lord our God, who

spoke through the prophets.

Leader: Blessed is the Lord our God, who

came to us in Jesus Christ.

Congregation: The one who spoke and called

light out of darkness now shines

in our hearts.

Leader: The one who comes and does not

keep silence now speaks in our midst.

Congregation: We see the glory of God in the person of Jesus Christ.

Leader: Great God of dazzling beauty and

overshadowing majesty, in Jesus

Christ, your beloved, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to listen

to him so that we may heart your voice and follow your holy way.

All: Amen.

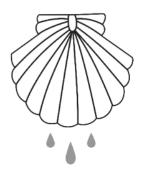
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No. 46, Chalice Hymnal

(Unison)

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.

\* **HYMN** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
No. 25, Chalice Hymnal



# — THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM —

It is Christ himself who baptizes us. By the Spirit of Pentecost, He makes us members of His body, the Church, and calls us to share His ministry in the world. By water and the Holy Spirit, God claims us as His own, washes us from sin, and sets us free from the power of death. In this sacrament, the love of God is offered to each one of us. Though we cannot understand or explain it, we are called to accept that love with the openness and trust of a child.

(Book of Common Order, Church of Scotland)

# THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Luke 5:20

When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven."

# **PRESENTATION**

Leo Samuel Higus Son of Eleanor and Timm Higus

# THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

**WELCOME** 

# **HYMN**

I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell. When you heard the wonder of the word I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the living God, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun. In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.



# — TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH —

Jesus once said that unless we receive the Kingdom as a child we cannot enter into it. This time spent with the youngest members of our worshipping congregation reminds us of the great truth that all of us are children of God and that all of us need to grow in wisdom and in faith. Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a children's message. Following the Children's Message all children are invited to Sunday school. Parents are welcome to accompany hesitant children.

Visitors are welcome!

All children, Preschool through 5th grade should be picked up by their parents or guardian in the following location following worship:

Preschool - Preschool Palace (2nd floor)
Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades - Creation Station (2nd floor)
3rd, 4th and 5th Grades - Upper Room (2nd floor)

# **GATHERING HYMN**

Let Them Come

(Children please come forward during the "Gathering Hymn")

Let them come, let them come,
let the children come to me.
I have time, I have time, said the Savior tenderly.
Let them come, let them come,
please don't send them away.
I have time, let them come, let them stay.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jessica Sheley

# Special Thanks to Our Pretzel Prayer Sunday Monk Played by Kent Kowalske



# 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.

### **DEPARTING HYMN**

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children (Please remain seated and sing this hymn for the children as they depart for Sunday school)

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love: Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

# INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jesus said: "Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light." Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin and the sin of the world.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of Your glory, but we turn

away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in Your light and to follow in the way of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

# ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. As God's own people, be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Be always ready to forgive as freely as the Lord has forgiven us. And, above everything else, be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what God has done for us in Jesus Christ.

\* **GLORIA PATRI** Unison No. 35, Chalice Hymnal

("Gloria Patri" literally means "Glory to the Father." This ancient response has been sung by the Church for nearly two thousand years.)

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.

**ANTHEM** You Alone Are God

by Mary McDonald

FFC Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## **EPISTLE LESSON**

I Corinthians 3:1-9

Pg. 154, New Testament, Pew Bible

**GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 17:1-9

Pg. 17, New Testament, Pew Bible

**SERMON** Gardening

(Third in the 2020 sermon series "Knowing God")

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

# PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

# THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

Ah Holy Jesus FFC Chancel Bells

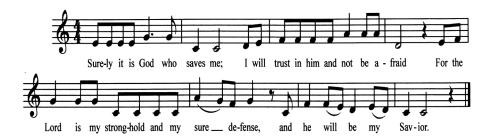
# PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* CLOSING HYMN

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

Insert

- \* BENEDICTION
- \* RESPONSE



# \* POSTLUDE

I am glad that you could join with us for worship today.

If you are exploring faith for the first time, seeking to reconnect with your faith, or searching for a church home

and would like to learn more about First Federated Church, please introduce yourself after today's service

I would enjoy a conversation with you!

Rev. Dr. Forrest "Frosty" Krummel, Jr. Senior Minister (309) 685-5258 X. 101 fkrummel@ffcpeoria.com



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