



THE CHURCH GATHERS; CHIMING OF THE HOUR
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRELUDE

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Leader: Today, on World Communion Sunday, we remember that we are one. Today, we celebrate the Spirit of God that moves throughout God's people across all of creation.

People: *We are one in Christ.*

Leader: Today we remember our responsibility to bear with one another in love, to maintain unity by the bond of peace and to be the body of Christ in the world.

People: *We are one body.*

Leader: Today we recall that, as members of one body, we can make a difference in a world of people in need of the hope of the love of Christ. Today, we recognize this hope that unites us and sustains us.

People: *We are people of one hope.*

Leader: Today we celebrate our unity. We set aside the small things that can divide us and remember that, with God, we can overcome all things. Today we are reminded that only with gentleness and humility can we clearly see God's plan for us.

People: *We are people of one Lord.*

***HYMN #276 (Blue Hymnal)**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Lord, we have betrayed you by following our own ways.

People: *We have denied you by fearing to follow your paths.*

Leader: And we have mocked you by not taking your atoning death seriously.

ALL: *Lord, we are lost. May your forgiveness find us. Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives . . . transgression . . . ? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. Thanks be to You, O God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** - *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.*

A WORD FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

THE MORNING PRAYERS and 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.

WE GIVE THANK OFFERINGS TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

Organ Offertory

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

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

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Exodus 16:1-3, 11-16, 31

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Matthew 6:11

THE SERMON:

Dr. William D. Coker

"Candy Bars, Cheese Crackers, & a Bag of Fritos"

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY)

***HYMN #513 (Blue Hymnal)**

Let Us Break Bread Together

Leader: Come to the table, you who are scattered and torn.

People: *Here we find hope.*

Leader: Come to the table, you who are scared and lonely.

People: *Here we find love.*

Leader: Come to the table, you who are tired and tense.

People: *Here we find rest for our souls, and food for our journey.*

Leader: Come to the table, you who are lost and are searching.

People: *Here we discover guidance, and light for our darkness.*

Leader: Come to the table, you who are happy or sad.

People: *Here our lives are embraced by God's grace.*

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

***HYMN #306 (Blue Hymnal)**

Fairest Lord Jesus

*BENEDICTION

Psalm 26, Hebrews 1-2

Ever-loving and ever-present God, you have refreshed us at your table, by granting us the presence of Jesus. May the sharing of this sacred meal together remain always in our hearts, and weave us together as one body, one people. Strengthen our faith, that we might accomplish great things through our love for one another. Send us forth into the world in courage rejoicing in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

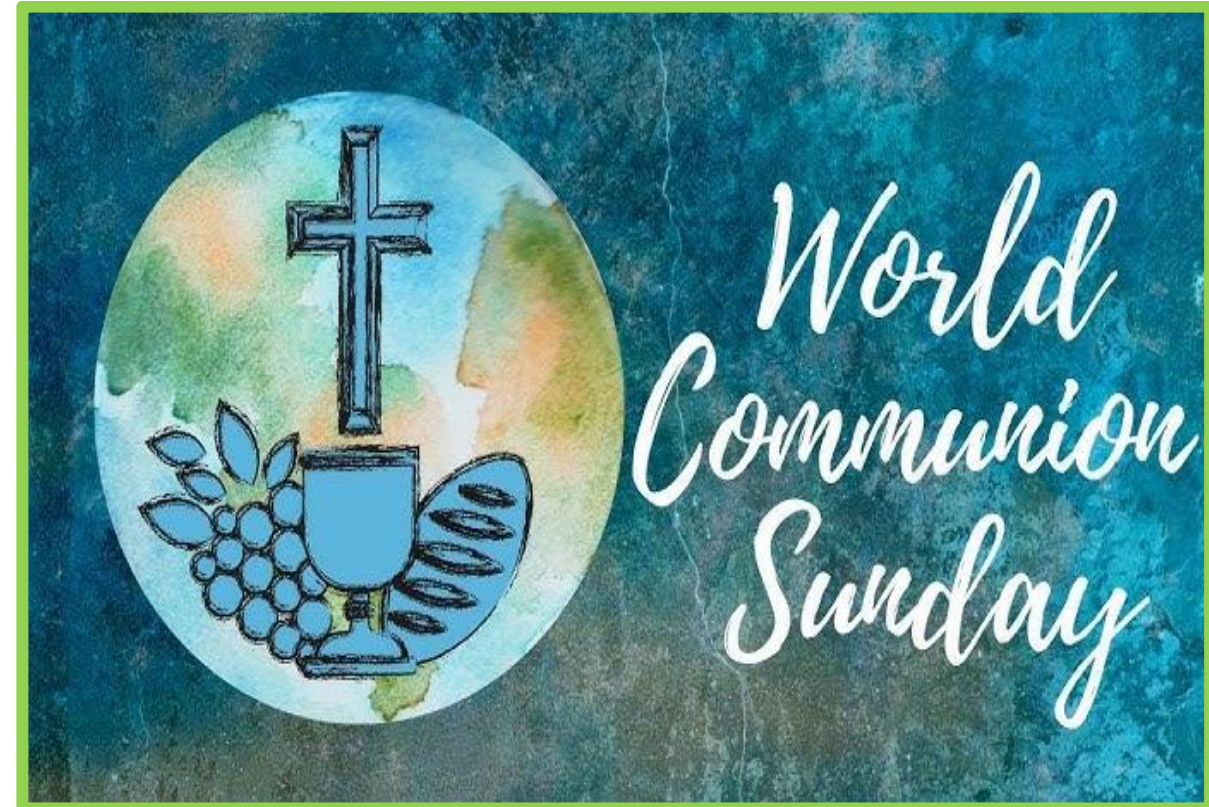
***POSTLUDE** - (*) *We stand as we are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. *The fresh flower arrangement today is given by Michael Lindsey in loving memory of his mother, Lotus Snow Lindsey, who would have been 110 years old today (Oct. 6, 1914).*
2. **8 Most Significant Words: “Who will you invite to church next Sunday?”**
3. **#1 Reason to Be at First Pres: Because we know why we’re here – to share the Real Jesus.**
4. **We’re on a mission for God. Plan to join by Profession of Faith in Christ, Reaffirmation of Faith, or Transfer of Letter and help us make a difference for Christ in Tifton.**
5. **Spread the word that our worship services are on “Facebook Live” and “Instagram” every Sunday.**
6. **Invite, Invite, Invite. Your invitation may change a life for Christ. We are creating a “Culture of Invitation” here at First Pres. Remember that it can take 7 invitations or more before your friend comes to sit with you in Worship.**
7. *At 1:00 p.m., we will meet at church and take Melvin & Marlene’s Bus to Moultrie to participate in Rise Against Hunger. Please join us! We will also take up a special offering for Rise Against Hunger.*
8. *Our next fellowship luncheon will be on October 20th.*
9. **Prayer List:**
 - a. *Patsy Rohrer (sister-in-law of Margaret Connor) – Patsy has made tremendous progress in her cancer battle; her tumor has shrunk. She has 2 treatments left.*
 - b. *Cathy Martin (Biff’s sister)- She has begun treatment for Pancreatic Cancer*
 - c. *Peggy Edwards – cataract surgery*
 - d. *The Need for Unity in Our Country*
 - e. *Those impacted by Hurricane Helene*
 - f. *Our New 12 Commitments for Christ*

If anyone has a prayer request/need, you can fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering plate or email us at 1stprestifton@gmail.com

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” John 13:34-35



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