

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost July 14, 2024

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

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP Unison 1 Chronicles 16:23-25, 31, 34, 36 Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Praise be to the LORD, the God... from everlasting to everlasting.

* HYMN #131 (Red Hymnal)

Come Christians, Join to Sing

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of our present and future, you are coming to bring all people under your rule. We confess that if your kingdom were to break upon us, we would be unprepared. We live our lives casually, ignoring your promised reckoning. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us eyes to see your coming so that we might repent. Give us large hearts to welcome you. May we seek the right things, things that will endure when Christ Jesus comes to judge the world. For the sake of our coming Messiah, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jeremiah 31:31, 33-34

"The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant ... I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. They will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

*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

GIVING GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

***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 THANKSGIVING**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAM ENT READING: NEW TESTAMENT READING: THE SERMON: Joel 2:23-32a Acts 2:14-21 Dr. William D. Coker

"Not Dreamworks, but Dreams Work"

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN # 324 (Red hymnal)

I Need Thee Every Hour

***BENEDICTION**

Go in peace, and may the peace of God, which shines brightly and vanquishes our darkness, always be with you. Go, knowing that God is your rock and your refuge. You are not alone. God is always with you. AMEN.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. 8 Most Significant Words: "Who will you invite to church next Sunday?"
- 2. #1 Reason to Be at First Pres: Because we know why we're here to share the Real Jesus.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Copies of the July calendar have been placed on the table in the back of the church.
- 5. Our next fellowship luncheon will be on Sunday, July 21st at noon.
- 6. Spread the word that our worship services are on "Facebook Live" and "Instagram" every Sunday.
- 7. Invite, Invite, Invite. Your invitation may change a life for Christ. We are creating a "Culture of Invitation" here at First Pres through the following "Commitments for Christ", which are easy ways for you to invite others:
 - #3 Heartwarming worship stories.
 - #7 Service jobs and ways to make a difference in the Church.
 - #10 The movie "Jesus Revolution."
 - #12 A new Chancel Choir.

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." Joel 2:28



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