

First Presbyterian Church | Kerrville

January 29, 2023 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Building a Community of Disciples

Growing toward

God-centered worship

Christ-centered service

Spirit-led lives

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We count it all joy to have you worshiping with us today. Please fill out the black Friendship Pad so that we might welcome you to our FPC community.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

PRELUDE

Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Friends, we have gathered together today to worship Jesus the Christ. But do you know who he is?

Jesus is the visible image of the invisible God.

What else can you say about him?

Jesus is the firstborn of creation.

Say what?

Jesus is the eternal God.

What does that mean?

Jesus is the one through whom all things were created.

That was then. What about now?

Jesus is the one in whom all things are held together.

So who is he then?

Jesus is our God!

So are you saying that that's who and why we worship?

Indeed! We have come to worship Jesus.

Then let us worship Jesus with all of our heart, all of our soul, all of our mind and all of our strength.

†HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

How quickly and how often we forget, dear God. We forget to hold onto the faith that springs from the hope that is stored up for us in heaven in the Good News that Jesus has bestowed upon us. How tragically we let the fruit of the gospel rot for lack of treasuring it. Please forgive us for our inattentiveness, and our failure to say, "I'm sorry" and "Thank you." Please fill us anew with the wisdom and understanding that is so freely given us by the Holy Spirit, so that we may live a life worthy of our Lord Jesus, a lifestyle that brings you pleasure, bearing fruit that will last. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Children of the Most High:

you are forgiven and brought into the kingdom.

Be filled with spiritual wisdom,

lead lives worthy of your inheritance,

bear fruit in all you say and do and think.

God has rescued us and redeemed us from our sins, setting aside judgment to shower us with mercy.

We will go and do likewise.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

†RESPONSE Hymn 581

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.

†Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

ANTHEM (11:00) The Lord of Love, Who Shepherds Me German/Harris

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Colossians 1:1-2:12 pg. 956 N.T.

Word of God, Word of life. Thanks be to God!

SERMON Rooted in Christ Jack Haberer

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Will you please join me in affirming our faith with An Affirmation from I Corinthians 15: 1-16 And Colossians 1:15-20? This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

†HYMN 182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING & OFFERTORY Christians Rejoice Bach

†DOXOLOGY Hymn 606

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

†HYMN 260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE St. Anne Fugue (O God, Our Help in Ages Past) Bach

From service of worship to service in God's world.

Thank You for Serving Today

WORSHIP LEADERS

Jack Haberer, Sam Begeman, Audrey Mitchell, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler, Bill Swart, Wes Lane

USHERS

8:30 - Pam and Bill Cooper, Susan Junkin 11:00 - Emily McAllister, FPC Youth

MUSICIANS

11:00 - Chancel Choir



Families in Worship

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Special Children's Worship Bags are available in the narthex. Parents are encouraged to use the things found in the Worship Bags to help their children prepare for and participate in worship.

Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with Children, a member of our child care staff will meet the children in the narthex and take them to the appropriate room.

Childcare is available for infants through children who are in kindergarten in Room 504, in the Family Life Center. An usher can direct you to these rooms.

Easy ways to give to the ministries of FPC

- Join the members who are using online giving to First Presbyterian. Sign up today at www.fpckerrville.org and click on the giving tab.
- You can also "text to give" right from your phone. Simply text to 45777 and type in KERRFPC. Follow the prompts. It is secure and convenient.

Contact Mary Stone at the church office with any questions.

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Staff and Worship Leaders

Pastors: Ministry Staff:

Rev. Dr. Jack Haberer, Interim Pastor Rev. Susan Montoya, Parish Associate Eldon Sheffer, Commissioned Ruling Elder

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Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to www.fpckerrville.org and click on "Calendar".

Sunday, January 29

8:30 Worship—Sanctuary

9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall

11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed

12:00 Youth Lunch—TBD

Monday, January 30

2:00 Congregational Care Meeting—Congregational Care

Office

5:00 Session Meeting—Ryan Hall

Tuesday, January 31

7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207

10:00 CCP Chapel with Audrey Mitchell—Sanctuary

5:00 Music For All (Guitar Lessons)—Schreiner

Chapel Choir Room

5:30 Yoga for Community (Beginner/Gentle)—Ryan Hall

Wednesday, February 1

9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom

10:00 Yoga for Community (Chair)—Ryan Hall

10:30 Staff Meeting—Congregational Care Office

6:00 Pastor Nominating Committee—Ryan Hall

7:00 Choir Practice—Choir Room

Thursday, February 2

Friday, February 3

10:00 Grief Support Group—Ryan Hall

Saturday, February 4

12:00 HOPES Kitchen—Family Life Center

2:00 Carol Van Tuyl Memorial Service In The Sanctuary with a reception to follow in Ryan Hall.

Sunday, February 5 Communion Sunday

8:30 Worship—Sanctuary

9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall

10:00 Youth Sunday School—Family Life Center Youth Room

11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed

12:00 Youth Lunch—Location TBD

5:00 Youth Group—Family Life Center Youth Room



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Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher. †Please rise as able in body and spirit.

Bold type indicates unison response.

To view past worship services please visit (http://fpckerrville.org/worship/video-archive).



Please take time to silence your cell phones so we may all be fully present in this time and space.



Let Us Pray

...for our troops, especially for those serving in war-torn countries, and for refugees all over the world.



Worship Notes

Anthem: The Lord of Love, Who Shepherds Me

The Lord of Love, who shepherds me, by rod and staff guides tenderly.

When I am weak, He strengthens me and feeds my soul by stream and tree.

When I lose my way and fears prevail, His love for me will never fail.

The Affirmation of Faith is adapted from I Peter 2:9,10.

Welcome, Visitors!

For more information about our church and its missions, visit our website at www.fpckerrville.org. If you would like to be contacted by phone or email, please submit a contact request form on our website, or call the church office. You may also fill out the Connect Card located in the pew pocket, or the Friendship Pad (located at the end of each pew). Please place the Connect Card in the offering tray or give it to an usher.

Prayer or Praise Request? Prayer request cards can be found in the pews, or you may complete your request on our website at www.fpckerrville.org and it will head right to our prayer team, which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

To join the membership of FPC: Contact the church office or visit us online and send us an email inquiry. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to be part of this church family!