



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SEPTEMBER 5, 2010

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CHIMES

GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

Adagio

Albinoni

†CALL TO WORSHIP

†HYMN 466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God,  
You have given us a firm foundation in Jesus Christ,  
yet we have chosen to build in other places.  
The things we have made are weak and unstable.  
The works of our hands crumble around us,  
and we realize that our best efforts are not  
good enough because sin is real and we are  
powerless before it.**

**Forgive us for thinking we know best.  
Heal our pride and mend our broken values.  
Create within us hearts that seek your purposes,  
so that what we build may give you glory.**

(Silent prayer)

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

†RESPONSE

Hymn 579

*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.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSON

Jeremiah 18:1-11

p. 720 O.T.

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

Search me, O God, you know me com - plete - ly.

Be my sure guide, my hope and stay.

*You, O lord, have searched and known me, when I rest, and when I rise;  
 Not a single thought I cherish is kept secret from your eyes.  
 Every word my lips would murmur needs no speech to make it known.  
 All I do in every venture is as done to you alone.  
 (refrain)*

*Whither shall I flee your spirit? From your presence, vanish where?  
 Heights of heaven, darkest shadows hide me not, for you are there.  
 If I take the wings of morning, and in earth's far corner stand;  
 Even there your love will find me, hold me fast within your hand.  
 (refrain)*

*In the brilliance of your glory, darkest night is bright as day;  
 Shadows flee the path before me, when your wisdom lights my way.  
 You that knit my parts together, knew my life before my birth,  
 Sees my faults, yet trusts my promise far beyond my feeble worth.  
 (refrain)*

## CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN - II

## ANTHEM - II

## For the Beauty of the Earth

Rutter

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
 For the love from which our birth over and around us lies,  
 Lord of all to thee we raise, this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:  
 Lord of all to thee we raise, this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
 Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
 Lord of all to thee we raise, this our joyful hymn of praise.*

*For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given,  
 Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven:  
 Lord of all to thee we raise, this our joyful hymn of praise.  
 this our joyful hymn, our hymn of praise.*

## LESSON

Luke 14:25-33

p. 78 N.T.

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

## SERMON

Cost of Discipleship  
 Silence and Stillness

Eric Rhoda

†HYMN 515

Now to Your Table Spread

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Piano Meditation

†RESPONSE

Hymn 592

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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 king-  
dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE SHARING OF GOD'S GIFTS

†PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God,  
We give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.

**Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

†HYMN 391

Take My Life

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C

Handel

## Serving Today

### MUSICIANS

I/II - Michael Kahl, cantor  
II - Chancel Choir

### SCHEDULED GREETERS

I - Jeff Thompson, Charles Clark, Candi Bervinkle

II - Anita Wise, Monte Wise, Myrth Stephens, Virginia Greer

### SCHEDULED USHERS

I - Bobby Doan, John Bervinkle, Walter Roemer

II - Dewayne Bannister, Darlene Bannister, Patsy Day, Jim Dobie, John Mallory, Bill Matthews

### SCRIPTURE READERS

I - Jim Laughlin  
II - Melanie Houdeshell

### ACOLYTES

Brock Billeiter  
Kristina Tuschak

### COMMUNION SERVERS

I - Dean Porter, Nan Schiavo, Janell Steele, Warren Ferguson

II - Darlene Bannister, Eleanor Baldwin, Karen Fair, Roger Daniel, Carmen Sullivan, Charles Sullivan, Ray Baldwin, Tom Hamilton, Kathy Pearce, Carol Morrat

### WATER BEARER

Preston Gamble

### BREAD BEARER

Andrew Houdeshell

### NURSERY AND EXTENDED

### CARE VOLUNTEERS

David and Cristy Jackson

### VIDEO TAPING

Shelby Day

### SOUND RECORDER

Ralph Pelton

## Let Us Pray....

...for those in the hospital this week: Edie Schall, Jan Thomas, Dee Ann Havelly and Fred Kappelle.

...for our troops including David Keeley, Emily Koellner, Michael Koellner, and Thomas Lucher.

## Let Us Worship God

The Sunday evening worship service in the sanctuary will be held at 5:00 p.m. The theme is *Servant*.

## Staff

### PASTORS

John W. Wurster  
Rob Lohmeyer  
Eric Rhoda

### DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MIN.

LaVerne Baublitt

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Michael Kahl

### ORGANIST

Tim Wilborn

## Fall Adult Sunday School Classes

September 12 - November 28

**"Who Do You Say That I Am?"** - People have many ideas as to the identity of Jesus. In this class we will attempt to better understand Jesus as the Jew that he was and the Judaic faith that he practiced. Our primary text will be *Jesus, the Misunderstood Jew* by Amy Jill Levine, professor of New Testament Studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School. We will also be informed by video lectures from Dr. Levine and Dr. Bart D. Ehrman, professor of religion at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This class is limited to 20 participants. Call the church office to register and to purchase your book. This class is led by Judy Ferguson and is held in room 208.

### **Faith and American Politics: Liberty and Justice for All** -

It is a course of study, discussion and reflection that focuses on the value of faith in the exercise of our citizenship. Through the use of videos, small group work, readings and deliberate encounters with those of "other" ways of thinking from our own, the theme examines:

- Our founders' understanding of liberty and how their founding documents seek to protect our liberty within the government they created to serve the people.
- The call of Jesus and the prophets for just societies.
- Diverse Christian responses to these ideas.

The class will be limited to 21 participants and will require the purchase of a study notebook that can be purchased on the first day of class for \$10.00. Reserve your spot by calling Elaine at 896-6607 or e-mailing at buckwood@ktc.com. This class is led by Sonny and Elaine Payne in MSS.

### **Lights and Mirrors: Christians' Creative Calling** -

God the creator made us in his image to be creators, too. In this Bible-based class we will focus on artistic creativity, discussing what it means to create art, poetry, writing, and photography to the glory of God. Class members will be encouraged to respond creatively during the week and have several opportunities to share their work throughout the session. This class is led by Marcus Goodyear and is held in room 207.

**Images in Scripture** - Though the books of the Bible contain a wide variety of characters and genres, they cluster around some common images. These images in turn point us to the great themes of faith. While some Bible studies focus on particular sections of Scripture, this Bible study will consider the entire Bible, noticing the recurring ideas and motifs that hold the whole story together. The class is led by John Wurster and is held in Ryan Hall.



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# Welcome to Worship



We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us this Sunday. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join our church family. After worship, elders present will gather near the baptismal font to meet with those who have an interest in uniting with us. Welcome brochures are in the pews and on the table in the narthex, where you will also find a walking-tour guide describing the art of this church.

## FPC Community Briefs

**“Jesus, the One and Only”**, a 10 week **Bible study by Beth Moore**, beginning Tuesday, September 7, in Schreiner Chapel. The study is from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. To register for this exciting series, call Sara Lohmeyer at 257-3310.

**Adult bell choir** resumes rehearsals on Tuesday, September 7 at 4:00 p.m. and invites new members to *“try it out”*. Contact Tim for more info at [twilborn@fpckerrville.org](mailto:twilborn@fpckerrville.org).

The **Men’s Breakfast** will be September 8 in Ryan Hall at 7:00 a.m. The speaker is John George. The title of the lecture is *The Threat of Cattle Ticks and Cattle Fever to the US Livestock Industry*

**Retreat Registration Reminder!** Don’t forget to put the All Church Family Retreat on your calendar for NEXT MONTH on Oct. 9-10! And don’t forget to register by THIS MONTH September 12! See the registration form for all the details.

**Ushers Needed** for special services. We are looking for volunteers to usher for memorial services and music concerts. If you would be willing to volunteer, please call the church office. Memorial services are usually during business hours and concerts are usually in the evenings. If you have any questions regarding this short term commitment please call Shannon Briggs at 257-3310.

## September 5-12

### Sunday, September 5

CAM/COMMUNION SUNDAY  
8:30/11:00 Worship  
5:00 Worship; sanctuary

### Monday, September 6

Labor Day / church closed  
Children’s Corner closed

### Tuesday, September 7

6:45 Men’s Bible Study at the Fergusons  
9:15 Staff  
10:00 Beth Moore Bible Study  
4:00 Bell choir practice  
5:00 Planning and Training; Rm 204  
6:00 Stephen Ministers

### Wednesday, September 8

7:00 Men’s Breakfast; Ryan Hall  
9:45 CC Chapel  
3:15 Koinonias  
4:00 Personnel  
7:00 Choir practice

### Thursday, September 9

9:30 PW Circles  
7:00 Night Circle

### Friday, September 10

### Saturday, September 11

10:00 Organ Workshop; sanct.  
11:00 HOPES Kitchen

### Sunday, September 12

8:30/11:00 Worship  
9:45 Sunday School; Ryan Hall  
3:30 The Well - Jr. High  
5:00 Worship; sanctuary  
6:30 The Well - Sr. High



## Worship Notes

Large print bulletins and hearing aid devices are available from an usher.

†Please stand if able. **Bold** type indicates unison response.

An audio recording of each week’s sermon and the Sunday bulletin are available on our website ([www.fpckerrville.org/sermons.htm](http://www.fpckerrville.org/sermons.htm)). If you would like a CD copy or a written copy of a sermon, please contact the church office.



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