

First Presbyterian Church of Naples

*In the Heart of Naples with the Love of God:
we worship, we love, we grow, we serve*

*“Sing to the LORD
a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth”
Psalm 96:1*



**October 18, 2020
LITURGY
9:30 a.m.**

*Let us quiet our hearts, minds, and voices for the beginning of worship.
At this time, please silence all cell phones.*

The Prelude

Chanson de Matin (Morning Song)

EDWARD ELGAR

THE TIME OF GATHERING

Welcome and Life Together

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

SERVICE OF PREPARATION

*Call to Worship

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song.

People: Sing to the Lord all the earth.

Leader: For great is the Lord.

People: And greatly to be praised.

All: Let us worship God!

A TIME FOR PRAISE AND CONFESSION

Hymn of Praise (*soloists only, congregation seated*)

Earth and All Stars!

EARTH AND ALL STARS

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blowing snowstorm! Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute and lyre! Loud humming cellos! Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Limestone and beams! Loud building workers! Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members! Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of everlasting mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. We fix our minds on former things, missing the new thing you are doing. We look back with regret, rather than with gratitude. We look forward with anxiety rather than with hope. You offer refuge and strength and yet we trust in ourselves alone. Forgive us, God of grace. Search, break and cleanse our hearts. Show us your way, that we may receive your mercy and grace and be filled with your love and a new song of praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Receive your forgiveness and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

** Please stand if able*

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

SHIRLEY HAGERSON

Let us pray: Gracious God, we ask now that by the power of your Holy Spirit you would open our ears to hear and our hearts to receive your word. In Jesus name. Amen.

First Reading

Psalm 96:1-13

Our first reading this morning comes from the book of Psalms.

O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. ²Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. ³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. ⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. ⁵For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. ⁶Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. ⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. ⁸Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts. ⁹Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth. ¹⁰Say among the nations, "The LORD is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity." ¹¹Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; ¹²let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy ¹³before the LORD; for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Interlude

Come Follow Me

JAY ALTHOUSE

Diego Davila and Paula Alva, soloists

The kingdom of heaven is near. As you have received, so, then must you give. Be not afraid with the Lord at your side, for Jesus died so we may live. He said, "Come follow me. Come follow me. Come by yourselves to a quiet place. Come follow me. Come follow me." That someday we may see His face. Those who are weary, take rest. Look to Him for comfort and He will soothe your soul. For He is gentle and humble in heart, and Jesus died to make us whole.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*The Apostle's 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.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

NANCY VAN FLEET

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.

GOING FORTHHymn of Commitment (*soloists only, congregation seated*)***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee***

HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccata (Suite Gothique)

LÉON BOËLLMANN

Dismissal

Ushers will dismiss you by row following the Postlude.
Please remain seated until directed to dismiss.

Offering

Offering boxes are located on the wall by the exit doors.
You may also submit your offering by mail or online at www.fpcnaples.org/give.

Flower Dedication

The Chancel Flowers have been given by
Mike and Rose Kaufman in memory of Henry C. and Sonia Kaufman, by their children,
grandchildren and friends of First Presbyterian Church
and by
William Morgan in memory of Thomas A. Morgan, Jr.

Ushers

Jack Marsh (head usher), Tom Clark, Doug Jensen, Sylvia Marsh, Bill Morgan

Greeters

Cindy Esler, Gene and Tedi Fraley, Saralene Oldham, Betty Plum

PRAYER LIST

*Linda Arsenault
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Zoom Calendar of Events

Wednesday Morning Men: Faith and Fellowship

Join other committed men in our congregation on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Following a presentation, we join in some question and answer sharing and follow-up discussion. We will gather via Zoom, at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, October 21. For the next few months we will be studying the disciples. Nick Linn will be leading the group with the topic of *Peter*. For Zoom instructions contact Bill Kearney at skearney239@comcast.net.

Zoom with the Pastors

Join us via Zoom each Wednesday at 11 a.m. for a brief message from our pastors, Craig and Rex, and a time of fellowship. Please register (reservations@fpcnaples.org) by 4 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to ensure you receive the link to the meeting.

HUDDLE

All men are invited and encouraged to join this lunch-time Bible discussion group. Gather via Zoom each Thursday from noon to 1:15 p.m. For Zoom instructions contact Karl Heissner at khh0725@atlanticbb.net.

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings

The PW will be gathering for Circle meetings via Zoom. Please contact the Circle leaders for instructions and login information:

Sunshine Circle - Wednesday, October 21 at 11:30 a.m. Janet Root (jinroot@aol.com)

Peace with Honor Circle - Wednesday, October 21 at 1:15 p.m. Betty Mangos (bmangos710@gmail.com)

Sacred Habits—A Journey into the Interior through Spiritual Practice

Facilitated by Nancy Van Fleet and Rev. Rex Childs, this journey meets twice a month to dive into the heart and soul of contemplative prayer while exploring different spiritual differences. Each session includes the ritual of lighting a candle, time in silence, prayer teaching and the opportunity to do our "PrayerWork." The next meeting will take place on October 22 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Ashley Hancock at ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org to register and receive the Zoom instructions.

News

Congregational Meeting

A meeting of the Congregation will take place on Sunday, October 25 following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the Class of 2023 Elders and Deacons. Nominees for Elders include: Teresa Doane, Fran Engelhardt, Linda Gadkowski, Roni Haggart, Bill Kearney. Nominees for Deacons include: Lucy Koll, Eileen Malstrom, Betty Mangos, Barbara Simons, Roger Simons, Deb Streamer, Harry Streamer.

Preschool Fundraiser

First Presbyterian Preschool, in collaboration with Harmon-Meek Gallery, established in 1964 in Naples, FL, can benefit from your art purchase through the month of October! Mention First Presbyterian Preschool during your shopping experience and we will receive 10% of the purchase price. The funds collected from this fundraising effort will be applied to our Angel Fund. This fund provides tuition financial assistance to students in need. Visit their website (harmonmeekgallery.com) to view their art collection. The Preschool staff and families always appreciate the support of the Church family and congregation.

Office Hours

The staff is currently working in the office however, we are available by appointment only. To make an appointment with a staff member, please call 239.262.1311. For access to the building you may ring the doorbell at the main office entrance. Please remember to bring your mask.

New Website Design for fpcnaples.org

Please visit us online (www.fpcnaples.org) and take a peek at our newly designed website. We've given our online presence a fresh new look with more to follow! Browse through the pages to see all that we offer to our online visitors.

Membership at First Presbyterian Church

Do you want to know more about the faith, this congregation and how to become a member? We want to encourage you in your journey of faith. Please contact either Rev. Craig Goodrich at craigg@fpcnaples.org or Rev. Rex Childs at rexc@fpcnaples.org.

Welcome Back to Naples

If you have recently returned to Naples, please contact the church office to let us know that you are back in town. Thank you and Welcome Back!

Power Pak

A big thank you to all who have contributed to our Power Pak fund for Big Cypress Elementary School. We will continue to accept donations for the food we provide every other month for children who will likely not have enough to eat over the weekend. You may give by check made payable to First Presbyterian Church with the memo "Power Pak" or online at www.fpcnaples.org/give and select the Power Pak fund. If you are interested in delivering packs to the school on a Thursday in November, please contact Betty Plum, 239.732.8799.

Giving

Your gift has an impact on every aspect of our ministry. Our entire church community is grateful for your continued support of and belief in the mission of The First Presbyterian Church of Naples. You may give by mailing your contribution to the church at 250 Sixth Street South, Naples, FL 34102, or give online through our secure website, www.fpcnaples.org/give. For information or questions regarding your giving, please contact Anna Focht, Director of Finance (annaf@fpcnaples.org).

Palms Society

The Palms Society is a way to honor those who include the church in their long-range gift and estate plans. This approach not only provides a method of recording the intent of members, but provides an opportunity to express ongoing appreciation to our donors.

When we look back on our lives, we think of those persons and places that have meant the most to us. Has First Presbyterian Church been such a place for you? Has this community of grace and its people nurtured your soul? Would you like to assure that the ministries of our Church which proclaim the love of God in Jesus Christ in word and deed continue for future generations? If so, please consider joining the Palms Society and becoming a legacy donor. For information please contact our Director of Finance, Anna Focht (annaf@fpcnaples.org) or Linda Gadkowski (lgadkows@capecod.net). Grace and peace to you.

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