

First Presbyterian Church of Naples

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



Hannah at Prayer, by Wilhelm Wachtel

**November 14, 2021
9:30 a.m.
LITURGY**

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

The Prelude

Prelude on "Lasst Uns Erfreuen"

PAUL MANZ

THE TIME OF GATHERING

Welcome and Life Together

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

SERVICE OF PREPARATION

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us worship God, our source of life.

People: God awakens us from the dust of the earth.

Leader: Let us worship God, our sovereign protector.

People: God is at our right hand, and we shall not be moved.

Leader: Let us worship God with hearts that are glad,

People: for in God's presence there is fullness of joy.

All: Let us worship God!

A TIME FOR PRAISE AND CONFESSION

Hymn of Praise #35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

- 1. Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!*
- 2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?*
- 3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have sinned. We have lived for ourselves, and failed to heed your call. We have turned from our neighbors and neglected to lend our hands to lift the burdens of others. We have become callous to the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor and the oppressed. And yet we know you are merciful and so we return to you. O God, forgive our sins, free us that we may choose your will and obey your commandments to love you and our neighbors as ourselves. Set us on your righteous path. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and have been reconciled to God. Receive your forgiveness and be at peace, and then go and be reconciled to others.

All: Thanks be to God!

*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! Amen!

Children's Time

NANCY VAN FLEET

** Please stand if able*

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

PATTY RUTZLER

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen!

First Reading

Hebrews 10:11-25

PEW BIBLE PAGE 976

Our first reading this morning comes the book of Hebrews. Hear now what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," ¹⁷he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. ¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Response

In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful

TAIZÉ COMMUNITY

Second Reading

I Samuel 1:4-20

PEW BIBLE PAGE 213

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; ⁵but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. ⁶Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. ⁷So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. ⁸Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" ⁹After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. ¹⁰She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. ¹¹She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." ¹²As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. ¹³Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. ¹⁴So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." ¹⁵But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. ¹⁶Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." ¹⁷Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." ¹⁸And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. ¹⁹They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. ²⁰In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

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

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.

The Offertory

Look at the World

JOHN RUTTER

Look at the world, everything all around us: look at the world, and marvel every day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way. *Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see: all the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come of thee.* Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain. Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Everything grows; everything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father's fold. Every good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love; we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; his is the earth, and his the heavens above.

*The 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 Dedication

GOING FORTH

Hymn of Commitment #39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

1. *Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning, new mercies I see.

All I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. *Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*
Refrain.

3. *Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*
Refrain.

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in G

THÉODORE DUBOIS

Recognition of Veterans

Today, Presbyterian Women honor our veterans.
We hope you received your new pin at the door.
If not, please stop in Spencer Hall following the service
and we will gladly get one for you.
Thank you for your service to our country.

Offering

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

Flower Dedication

The Chancel flowers are given by Janie Brown Casassa and family
in loving memory of Paul Casassa.

Ushers

Jack Marsh (head usher), Doug Jensen, Lucy Koll, Bill Morgan, Steve and Caryn Yarbrough

Greeters

Rob and Eileen Malstrom, Sara Nichols

Prayer List

In an effort to keep the prayer list current, names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks, unless we are notified otherwise. If you wish for a name to be included, please contact the church office.

*Linda Arsenault	Schools and teachers	Central Presbyterian Reformed
*Bill Crawford	The U.S. Military	Church (Matanzas, Cuba)
Joe Egan	Stephen Ministers and	Judith Abreu
Ruth England	care receivers	Carlitos Camps
Susie Fish family		Joseito Martinez
Scott McCullough	* church member	Rolando Morales
*Jane Nordlund		Idania and Nidia Patria
Anthony Pellechia	Missionary (Honduras)	Yadir Puron
Cynthia Scott	Dorie Hjalmarson	Bello Puron
Vanessa Uzupes-Owens		Dr. Javier Vidal

News

Session Update

Recently, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has determined that the level of transmissibility risk of Covid-19 in Collier County has decreased to the “moderate” level. Based on this and other factors, the Session, at its meeting on October 26, has taken the following action:

* For worship and meetings, masks are optional for those who are fully vaccinated.

This new policy is effective immediately. Let’s continue to pray that this pandemic will abate and continue to respect and care for one another.

With gratitude and on behalf of the Session,

Craig Goodrich, Pastor and Moderator of Session

Stephen Ministry

Are you in need of prayer? Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one lay caring ministry we offer at FPCN. Our lay caregivers, called Stephen Ministers, have been trained to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are going through a difficult time. To learn more or to pray with a Stephen Minister, visit the Stephen Ministry table in Spencer Hall or contact the church office.

Name Tags

As we head in to a busier season, we would like to remind you to wear your name tags to worship. If you are in need of a name tag, please visit the Welcome Table to sign up for a new one. Please indicate whether you would like a clip or magnet.

Giving Opportunities

Power Pak Program

The Power Pak program provides weekend food for students identified by the school staff as not having enough to eat over the weekend, and each Friday packages are put into their back packs unbeknownst to other children. FPCN purchases food and fills the bags, alternating months with Moorings Presbyterian Church. You can donate by mailing a check to the church office or online through our website (www.fpcnaples.org/give). Note Missions: Power Pak Prog. If you would like to be part of the delivery team, or if you have questions, contact Power Pak Coordinator, Betty Plum 239.450.7798 or bplum.790@gmail.com.

Year-end giving directly from an IRA

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows individuals who are 70½ years old or older to make tax-free charitable distributions from IRAs. One key benefit of the direct charitable contribution from your IRA is that the distribution counts towards your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). You can contribute more than your RMD to charity as long as you do not exceed \$100,000 in a calendar year. The gift can satisfy a pledge that you have made. To complete a QCD from your IRA, please make sure the check is payable directly to the First Presbyterian Church of Naples by your financial institution or IRA custodian. When giving, please be sure to consult with your tax advisor or lawyer to fully understand the current tax law. If you are interested in general information, feel free to contact Sharman Pfaus, sharmanp@fpcnaples.org.

Events

Wednesday Morning Men: Faith and Fellowship

We continue studying the Book of Acts on Wednesday, November 17 at 8 a.m. Our presenter, Larry Comstock with the topic being The Missionary Journeys. We hope you will be able to join us. For the Zoom link information, you may contact Bill Kearney, skearney239@comcast.net or Rev. Rex Childs, rexc@fpcnaples.org.

Labyrinth Gratitude Walk

You are invited to a labyrinth workshop where we will use our labyrinth to focus on the signature of the season, gratitude. Consider joining us on Friday, November 19 from 10 - 11 a.m. in Spencer Hall for this special time in preparation of the season. For additional information, please see the November Outreach. RSVP to Ashley Hancock, ashley.hancock@fpcnaples.org.

A Season of Music

Please join us for our next concert on Sunday, November 21 at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary when we feature Solomon Eichner on the piano. Solomon's playing is poetic, beautiful and moving with deep feeling. The program will include works by Chopin, Rachmaninoff, Debussy and Liszt. There is no charge for the concert, however, a free will offering will be taken to help support *A Season of Music Concert Series*.

Blood Drive

Give the Gift of Life on Monday, November 22 from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Sign up tables are located at the west entrance and in the Narthex or contact Jean Kasten at mawrtermom@yahoo.com or 215.740.5365.

Christmas Joy Bags

This year we are happy to be supporting the families of Mision Peniel. You may fill a small gift bag (available at the exits) with treats and candy and/or give gift cards (\$10 increments) to either Dollar General or Family Dollar Stores. You may also make a donation to Mision Peniel by check and they will gladly purchase the family gift cards. Checks should be made payable to Mision Peniel. Please return your filled bags, gift cards, or check by Sunday, December 12 to the Mission Table in Spencer Hall.

Thanksgiving Service

Please join Rev. Craig Goodrich, Rev. Rex Childs and Dr. Brice Gerlach for a service of thanks and praise on Thursday, November 25 at 11:30 a.m. Rev. Rex Childs, will offer the message "Day of Thanks."

Salvation Army Bell Ringers

It's that time of year again! We continue our annual Christmas bell ringing with our long-standing mission partner, The Salvation Army. We will be ringing the week of November 29 through December 3. Sign up in Spencer Hall at the Mission table or contact Sherry Hoffman at 239.679.4402.

Membership at First Presbyterian Church

Do you want to know more about our faith, this congregation and how to become a member of our dynamic church? We want to encourage you in your journey of faith. A Seekers and Joiners Class will be held on Sunday, November 21, following the worship service. If you would like to attend, please contact Angie Johnson, angiej@fpcnaples.org to sign up. Information packets are located at the exits.

Hanging of the Greens

Would you like to help us decorate our church for Advent? There are several ways you can participate... fluff garland, place bows on trees, hang garland indoors and outdoors, decorate the Narthex with lights and trees...and more! Join the team on Monday, November 29 at 9 a.m. We'll meet in Spencer Hall for coffee. Sign up on the sheet in Spencer Hall or contact Sandy Poore, Director of Facilities.

Holiday Invitation

Presbyterian Women are inviting all of you to get in the holiday spirit by joining them on Wednesday, December 1 at noon in Spencer Hall for a spirit-filled Christmas Carol-a-Long led by Brice Gerlach and Michele Byrd-Gerlach!!! Make a date with a friend to enjoy some singing and a box lunch supplied by Jason's Deli. Price of the lunch is \$10 payable when your reservation is made. Reservations can be made in Spencer Hall on Sunday, November 21 and November 28 or by calling the church 239. 262.1311. Hope to see you there!

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Elders

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Deacons

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
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