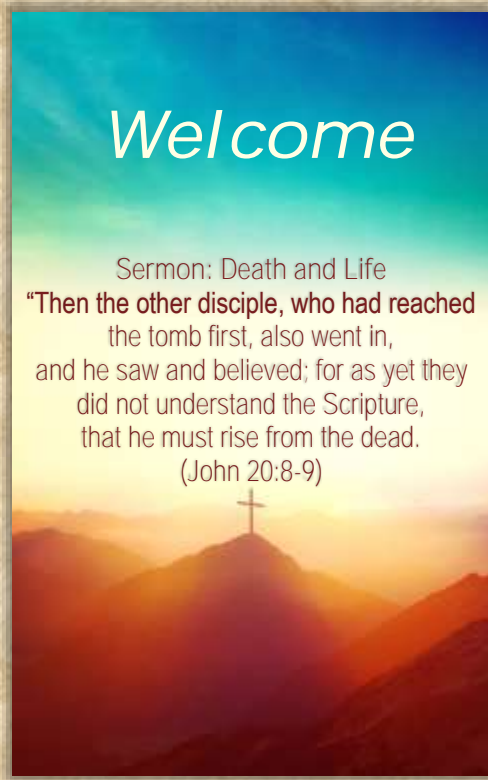


First Presbyterian Church

October 2, 2022



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Communion Sunday

8:30 A.M. PRAYER AND COMMUNION

Preparation

Prelude

Adoration

Call to Worship

*Hymn #356

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.
2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Confession

*Call to Confession

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe in the Good News.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

John 19:38 – 20:10

Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Death and Life

“Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

(John 20:8-9)

Dedication

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!
5. When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.



Visitors, Welcome to FPC

First Presbyterian Church of Conroe welcomes you. If you are interested in learning more about our church, or wish to become active in our ministry teams and activities, please visit our website at fpcConroe.org. There you can fill out the Visitor form online, or you can do so now, on page 17 of this bulletin. We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

WELCOME

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11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparation

Opening Music

Adoration

Introit

The Lord is in His Holy Temple

Root

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Confession

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*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God: in love you spread good gifts before us, more than we need or deserve. We confess that we always want more and that we never share as freely as you give. Forgive our stubborn greed, and our destructiveness. In mercy, help us enjoy your goodness and to thank you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The King is Coming* *Gaither*

*Doxology

***Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer**

*Choral Response

Proclamation

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There's Something About That Name

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
There's just something about that name!
Master, Savior, Jesus!
Like the fragrance after the rain;
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
Let all Heaven and earth proclaim:
Kings and Kingdoms will all pass away,
But there's something about that name!

*Closing Response

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

This Week's Scripture Reading

Scripture Reading:

John 19:38 - 20:10

³⁸ After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. ³⁹ Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. ⁴⁰ So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.

⁴¹ Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. ⁴² So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

^{20:1} Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other **disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."**

³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes.

Notes



*Called Meeting of the Congregation
Sunday, October 9th (During 11:00 Worship Service)*

The Session has called a brief Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, October 9th, during the 11:00 Worship Service. The purpose of this meeting is to receive recommendations from the Session to elect two individuals as Trustees.

New Stove in the FLC Kitchen

A new stove has been purchased and installed in the FLC kitchen. Some of the hook-ups are not yet in place, so please resist the urge to fire it up if you have not been properly trained to do so, as it can create a dangerous gas situation for the church and day school.

FPC Bookkeeper Needed

FPC is in need of a part-time Bookkeeper. This position will require approximately 15 hours per week to take care of weekly donations, accounts payable and bank reconciliations. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in filling this role, please visit our website at www.fpcConroe.org and send an email with your letter of interest to Pastor Green at Dgreen@fpcConroe.org.

Christmas Boxes for the Houston International Seafarer's Center

As part of an annual city-wide faith community outreach project, Presbyterian Women will fill, wrap and deliver shoe boxes with toiletries and personal items **to the Seafarer's Center. These boxes benefit those on ships that visit Houston** in the weeks before Christmas, and who are, by occupation, almost always away from their own homes in the holiday season. Congregation-wide support is what makes it possible for us to meet a goal of 100 boxes.

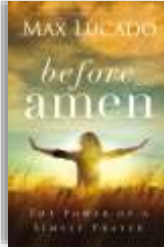
If you would like to make a contribution toward the purchase of items for the boxes, please make checks payable to the church with a notation that it is for **"Seafarer's boxes"**. **Shopping will be underway through October, with packing** being done on November 3rd. Please call Susan Buckley for additional information as to how you can help (936) 224-3115.

Time for Kickoff!



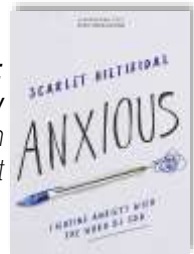
Something for everyone!

WNL Kicks Off New Bible Studies, Beginning October 5th



Max Lucado's "Before Amen", given by Dr. David Green

Women's Bible Study: "Anxious", given by Jenny Petersen and Dana Corbit



"Reckless Love: Jesus' Call to Love Our Neighbor", given by Gordon Juhl

ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE HEADED YOUR WAY

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Thanks to the record-setting generosity of all who donated to our Mission Sunday Special Offering, we were able to donate almost \$13,000 to Family Promise. Once again, FPC stands out by providing support to our local homeless population.



*Bobby Ezell and Tom Young
presenting check to Marilyn Kasmiersky.*

The Priceless Gift of Giving

After over two years of providing the Salvation Army with "brown-bag" lunches (due to Covid restrictions), we are now able to return to our buying, cooking, and serving HOT lunches. Good news for all those nice people that we are honored to serve and work with at the Salvation Army!



Pictured here one of our five FPC cooking teams in Salvation Army kitchen. (From left to right: Ron Massey, Chris Kattner, Tom Young, BC Linton, Glenn Elms, Bobby Ezell)

Prayer List

Members: Alice Helms, Polly Miller, Cindy Watson, Joanne Deaver, Sharon Walker, Karen Baughman, Jean Ball, Roy Kessler, Mary Hudson, George Shackelford, Kim Phillip, Flem Keathley, Carolyn Hebert, Paul Ivison, Don Myers, Margaret Carson, Fay Harrison, Clyde Cruikshank, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Tom Braaten

Members' Relatives & Friends: Cherlyn R., Carrie U., Gloria S. (Ganek), Delores S. (Lowery), John R. (Hethershaw), Mitch B. (Blott), Eddie S. & Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Barbara B. (Das), James M., Patty M., Enrique E. (Moore), Jack W. (Cannon), William W. (Weinburger), Lynda H. and Emily T. (Ebanks), Sherry B. (Harrison), Jeffrey H. & Leah H. (Heasley), Deborah R. (Rose), Katie B. (Pohla), Wendy S. (Adamson), Tim J. (Staff), Krissy P. & family (Kasmiersky), Judy N. (Dukes), Sherry M. (Garrison), Lee H. (Helms), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lena & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmberty), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, September 25th

8:30 a.m. Prayer and Communion - 21

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 105

Online Worship Attendance - 33

Total Attendance - 159

Today's Worship Leader

Bobby Ezell

Calendar of Weekly Events

<p><i>Sunday</i> <i>October 2</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Praise band (Gym)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Fellowship class (Rm.204). Currently studying the book of Acts and using Max Lucado's book, <i>Life Lessons from Acts</i>.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith with Susan Buckley (Rm. 206) – Studying <i>Eager To Love: The Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi</i>, by Richard Rohr.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) - <i>Where Is God When It Hurts?</i>, by Phillip Yancey.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex)</p> <p>10:40 a.m. Praise band (Sanctuary)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p> <p>12:00 p.m. Committee Meetings</p> <p>5:00 p.m. <i>Myths of the Bible</i> Bible Study, with Shirley Dukes (Rm. 207)</p>
<p><i>Monday</i> <i>October 3</i></p>	<p>1:30 p.m. Monday Bible Study (Parlor)</p>
<p><i>Tuesday</i> <i>October 4</i></p>	<p>7:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Room 207 & Zoom Meeting ID: 844 897 863, Password: 77304)</p>
<p><i>Wednesday</i> <i>October 5</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mission Sewing (Rm. 105)</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Live Dinner (Gym)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. The Spark (Gym)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Bible Study Classes Begin</p> <p>7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)</p>

<p><i>October 9 Sunday</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary) 9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro) 9:00 a.m. Praise band (Gym) 9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians. 9:30 a.m. Fellowship class (Rm.204). Currently studying the book of Acts and using Max Lucado's book, <i>Life Lessons from Acts</i>. 9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) – Studying <i>Eager To Love: The Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi</i>, by Richard Rohr. 9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) - <i>Where Is God When It Hurts?</i>, by Philip Yancey. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex) 10:40 a.m. Praise band (Sanctuary) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p>
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Save the Date

- October 5 Wednesday Night Live Classes Begin
- October 8 Pumpkin Delivery
- October 15 Family Movie Night
- October 15-30 Pumpkin Patch at FPC
- October 15-26 Trip to Israel
- October 21 **PDS' The Great Pumpkin Festival**



Ministry Leaders

Administration	Cheryl Nichols (2025, Chair)
Building & Grounds	Stephan Tibbetts (2025, Chair)
Care-Prayer	Bob Shepherd (2023, Chair)
Discipleship	Mark Sowden (2024, Chair) Dena Sowden (2023) Jeselyn Graham (2024) Alex Williams (2024)
Fellowship	Audrey Christie (2024, Chair)
Membership	Steve Scheffler (2025)
Missions	Bobby Ezell (2024, Chair) Catherine Scheffler (2025)
PDS	Sharon Walker (2025, Chair)
Worship	Chuck and Janet Pohla (2023, Chairs)

Visitor Form

Thank you for coming! We would love to get to know you.

Please complete this form and drop it in the offertory box at the back of the church. Or, if you would prefer to complete this form online, please visit our website at www.FPCConroe.org.

Member Information

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Spouse's Information

Spouse's First Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Children's Information

Children's Names (Please indicate last name if different):

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

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Getting Involved in the Life of the Church

(Please check all that apply)

- I would like more information about membership
- I would like information about baptism
- I would like to be contacted by a Stephen Minister
- Contact me about getting involved in the church

Please contact me regarding:

_____ Adult Sunday School

_____ Bible Studies

_____ Children & Nursery

_____ Men's groups

_____ Women's groups

_____ Greeters

_____ Handbells/Choir

_____ Youth choir

Other:

How did you first hear about us? (Please circle one)

Facebook

Drive by

Website

Friend/Family

Other

A scenic landscape featuring a range of mountains under a vibrant, multi-colored sky transitioning from blue at the top to yellow and orange near the horizon. A prominent cross is visible on the peak of a central mountain. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and spiritual.

*Thank You
for
Joining Us*

Staff and Church Information

Staff

Rev. Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor
Dena Sowden, Director of Christian Education
Sharon VanSchuyver, Director of Finance and Communications
Stephanie Cooke, Music Director
Rolethial McKelvey, Accompanist
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Yvonne Rose, Office Manager



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