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Welcome, Gathering, and Announcements Susan Blaydes, Lay Reader

Prelude "His Eye is on the Sparrow" Martin & Gabriel

Pouring the Waters of our Baptism: *reminder that we are baptized children of God***

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 138) Susan Blaydes

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart!

**ALL: O Lord, we give thanks to your name
for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.**

L: Though we walk in the midst of trouble,
you stretch out your hand, O Lord, and deliver us.

ALL: The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever!

*Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #12

*Call to Confession Susan Blaydes

L: Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sometimes we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness, so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends, praying first silently, then together. (*Silence*)

*Prayer of Confession

ALL: God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon Susan Blaydes

L: Hear the good news: with abundant grace and boundless mercy, God continually seeks us out. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

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."

Prayer for Illumination

ALL: Gracious God, light our way by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 130 Susan Blaydes

Special Music, *FPC Choir* "Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of God" #849

Second Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-6, 13-18 Pastor Betsy

Sermon "We Do Not Lose Hope"

*Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" #450

*Affirmation of Faith from Romans 8

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus;
for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God,
who are called according to God's purpose.**

**Who will separate us from the love of Christ?
Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?**

No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us!

**For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory "I Will Come to You, You are Mine" #177

May/June Dollars for Mission will assist the "World Central Kitchen."

*Prayer of Dedication and Doxology Pastor Betsy

Prayers of the People 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.

*Hymn "When Peace Like a River" (vs. 1, 3, and 4) #840

*Charge and Benediction Pastor Betsy

Postlude "Our God is an Awesome God" #616
Frank Armato, Church Musician

*Stand as you are able. **Doris Munday or Dixie Ramsdell, "the waters", Dennis Dalgleish, candle lighting, Jerry Blaydes, sound system. ***FPC Mission Statement. Confession prayers and Prayer for Illumination by John Wurster of the Presbyterian Outlook. The congregation is invited to read the print in **BOLD**.

Keeping Close 2024

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, June 9

9:00 a.m. Sunday School **FH** "The Wired Word"
Moderator: Judy Comer
10:00 a.m. Worship-**Sanctuary**- Rev. Betsy Stow

Monday, June 10

9:00 a.m. Exercise/10:00 a.m. Yoga **FH**
10:00 a.m. Finance Mtg **M2**
2:00 p.m. CE Meeting **M2**

Tuesday, June 11

10:00 a.m. Property Mtg. **M2**
2:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women Mtg. **FH**

Wednesday, June 12

2:00 p.m. Sharing the Journey **M2**
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice **Sanctuary**

Thursday, June 13

9:00 a.m. Exercise/10:00 a.m. Yoga **FH**
11:30 a.m. PM Lunch @ Siam Thai Cuisine

Fri, June 14

12:30 p.m. Bible Study **M2**

Sat, Jun 15

9:00 a.m. Set up for Kirkin luncheon **TH**

Sunday, June 16

9:00 a.m. No Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship- **Sanctuary**- Rev. Betsy Stow
11:30 a.m. Kirkin Luncheon **TH**

We thank God for you!

Happy Birthday to: Jan Stevens **6/9**, Griff Morgan **6/12**, Joe Boyd **6/14**

Happy Anniversary to: Marc/Jan Sharp **6/11**, Tempe/Curtis Fussell **6/13**



June 16 @ 10 a.m., our Worship service will include the Kirkin O' the Tartans. Wear your tartan, hear the bagpiper

play, hear our Presbyterian men sing "How Great Thou Art", and enjoy lunch after our service. Traditional Scottish food will be served.

Weekly Offering 6/2/24/24 Weekly Needs

\$ 5,530.25 \$ 3,804.00

YTD Totals YTD Needs

\$82,622.69 \$83,688.00

SAVE THE DATE

The Mission & Service team is sponsoring a **Spaghetti Lunch on June 23rd** after our Worship service. We are asking the congregation to please donate desserts.



The Chapel Band has made a donation to The Music Fund in honor of Elizabeth Anne Tauber.

First Presbyterian Church

June 9, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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growing in Faith, serving with Hope, sharing God's Love***



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