EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

♦Presentation of Bibles to Third Graders — Rev. Fortenberry

ANTHEM — **Glory Be to God the Father** — J. Bauder

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son. Glory be to God the Spirit, God Eternal, Three in One. Glory, while eternal ages run! Glory, God Eternal, Three in One. Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign. Glory, to the Lamb who once was slain; Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain. Glory to the king of angels, Glory to the Church's king, Glory to the king of nations! Heaven and earth, your praises bring. Glory blessing, praise eternal; thus the choir of angels sings; honor, riches, pow'r, dominion: thus its praise creation brings. Glory to the King of kings. Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion: thus its praise creation brings. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE — **Exodus 33:17-23**
I Corinthians 10:31-11:1

SERMON — **"The Five Solas"** — Dr. Rusty Douglas
1. Soli Deo Gloria
"Glory to God Alone"

Text: "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." (I Corinthians 10:31)

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN (see cover) — **In My Life** — LORD, BE GLORIFIED

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — The Larger Catechism
Westminster Confession of Faith, 1647

Q. 1. What is the chief and highest end of man?
A. Man's chief and highest end is to glorify God, and fully to enjoy him forever.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory — **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise** — arr. Burkhardt

*Doxology, No. 592 — OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer — Elder Dink Strain

*HYMN 485 — **To God Be the Glory** — TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*CHARGE, BENEDICTION, AND CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE — **Toccata Français** — G. Young

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SESSION

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Chris Walker	Richard Oakes	Dink Strain

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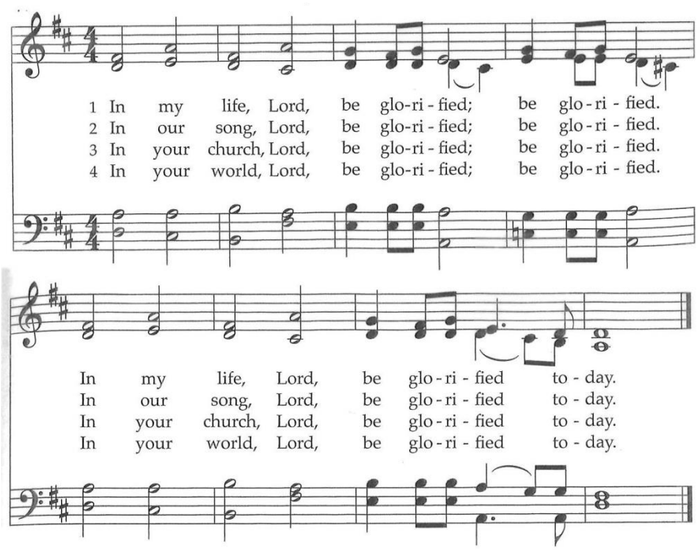
In My Life, Lord
LORD, BE GLORIFIED



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2017

11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

The time to begin preparing for worship is no later than the sounding of the chimes.
*The congregation is invited to stand.
**Seating of those arriving after worship has begun.

CHIMING

PRELUDE **Prelude and Fugue in c-minor** J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP **Romans 11:33-36** Rev. Steve Fortenberry

One: "O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
All: 'For who has known the mind of the LORD,
or who has been his counselor?'
'Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?'
One: For from him and through him and to him are all things.
All: To him be glory forever. Amen."
Let us worship God together!

HYMN OF PRAISE 263 **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that You are not always our first priority. We acknowledge the temptations we face to put "good things" first, like family or work or money, but those "good things" are not You. Therefore they can be idols. We know the commandment, "You shall have no other gods before me." Lord, we confess again that sometimes we place idols before You to our shame. Please forgive our sin and cause us to choose more wisely in the future, and to seek first your Kingdom and your righteousness, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray…

SILENT CONFESSION
DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
*GLORY BE TO GOD REGENT SQUARE

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit, Ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS Deacon Connie Black
(After which preschool children may be taken to Children's Church in the Education Building)

WELCOME TO THIS HOUR OF WORSHIP

We hope that you will be made to feel welcome here and that you will find this service helpful to you in your Christian life. If you are a visitor, please know that we are glad for your presence here. Please help us to know you better by filling out the Friendship Register and then pass it to the person seated next to you. Take note with whom you are worshiping and greet them warmly! Welcome one another to the Lord's House! Should you be interested in joining this congregation, please check the appropriate box on the Friendship Register and we will be in touch with you, or you may call the church office at (662) 453-4680. The Session meets periodically at 10:35 a.m. on Sunday to receive new members into our congregation.

A Nursery Is Available for children 3 years and younger in Room 103 in the Van Arnold Education Building located directly across the street from the sanctuary.

Accessibility: Large print hymnals and Bibles, and hearing devices are available in the back of the sanctuary. At the end of the service, please return these to the back table.

Cell Phones and Photography: In order to maintain reverence during the ceremony, please silence all cell phones and other communication devices and refrain from unauthorized photography or recordings.

Internet Broadcast: To watch the service live on a computer, tablet, or smart phone, go to www.fpcgreenwood.org/video. Worship bulletins are available under the "Worship" tab on the website, as are archived services.

CD Ministry: Please fill out the blue card and place in the offering plate. Orders will be placed in the narthex when ready.

Community Food Pantry: Please bring canned food and place it in the Food Pantry Collection Box near the handicap entrance.

Hospital Visitation: Please call the church office to let us know whether you are in the hospital or know of any church member in the hospital, since the hospital here no longer lists names of hospitalized persons on a public register. Chris Walker is the hospital visitation elder for September.

Ushers for Today: Allyn Camp, Emmie Daugherty, Will Jefcoat, Heston Powers, Jr. (head), Michael Thompson, Tommie Williams

Children's Church: Emmie and Barrett Daugherty

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 17, 2017
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am How Do You Spell Presbyterian? – Session Rm.
11:00 am Worship
4:00 pm Welcome to the Table
5:00 pm Combined PYF-Shed

Monday, September 18, 2017
9:35 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Deacons Meeting
6:00 pm Session Supper
6:30 pm Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 19, 2017
9:15 am Kindergarten Chapel
6:30 pm College Visit to MSU Supper at Harvey's

Wednesday, September 20, 2017
10:00 am Liturgy
12:00 pm Noon Bible Study
5:00 pm S.A.L.T. Supper
5:00 pm Choristers Choir
6:00 pm Chancel Choir
6:00 pm S.A.L.T. Classes
6:15 pm Bethel II

Thursday, September 21, 2017
Newsletter Information Deadline

Friday, September 22, 2017
6:45 am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Third Graders Receiving Bibles in worship today include: Lee Brock, Rivers Cascio, Sara Love James, Sarah Douglas Thach, William Litton, and Annie Powers.

Hurricane Harvey Relief – The Session has authorized an offering to be received today. This offering will go to aid victims of Hurricane Harvey. Funds will be sent to First Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX (ECO). They have been reaching out door to door helping persons who have lost everything. If you would like to contribute, please make your check out to First Presbyterian Church and designate it for "Hurricane Relief" and place in the offering plates. Since last Sunday, $2,477.00 has been collected.

Welcome to the Table, today at 4:00 p.m., with Rev. Steve Fortenberry for all children in first grade, or older, but who have not previously attended, to learn about the symbols and meaning behind the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Combined PYF this evening at 5:00 p.m. in the Shed.

Deacons Meeting, Monday, September 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the Session Room.

Session Meeting, Monday, September 18, with Session Supper at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting following at 6:30 p.m. Elders are reminded to bring copies of the agenda and financial statements that were emailed last week.

A College Visit for Mississippi State University students will be made Tuesday, September 19 by Rev. Fortenberry. Students will gather at Harvey's at 6:30 p.m.

Noon Bible Study for adults of all ages Wednesday, September 20 and will continue only through October 11, 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., in the Church Parlor. The study of Matthew's Gospel will continue this week with Dr. Douglas teaching on Matthew 5:43-48. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided, and occasionally a dessert.

Choristers Choir meets Wednesday, September 20, 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. in the Maxwell Reception Room. Open to children 4K-6th grade.

S.A.L.T. continues this Wednesday, September 20, with a meal served from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Shuler Hall, followed by programming for people of all ages. Our children will be learning about "Jesus: The Light of the World," and our 7th and 8th graders will begin their Confirmation process. Seniors will have their Bible study in the Shed. For adults, Dr. Douglas will lead a class sharing the results of his recent sabbatical research, including one night of slides of Scotland. Heston Powers will lead a group for men, Seven Men, and the Secret of Their Greatness. Women's Small Groups leaders are in place for multiple intergenerational small groups that will all be studying the book, Becoming a Woman of Excellence by Cynthia Heald.

Bethel II meets Wednesday, September 20, at 6:15 p.m. in the Glass Room. Romney Brock leading.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study meets Friday, September 22, at 6:45 a.m. in Shuler Hall. Dr. Douglas will continue the study of Matthew's Gospel.

A Church-Wide Picnic to celebrate with Miller Calhoun and his family the completion of this chemo treatments, and his being cancer free, will be held next Sunday, September 24, at the Melton's, 801 Robert E. Lee Dr. Activities begin at 4:00 p.m. with games and bouncy houses for the children and youth. Boat rides on the river will be available to all. Please bring a covered dish to go along with the fried chicken which will be furnished by the church.

Recently Hospitalized: Nancy Tollison (Women's), Alice Warren