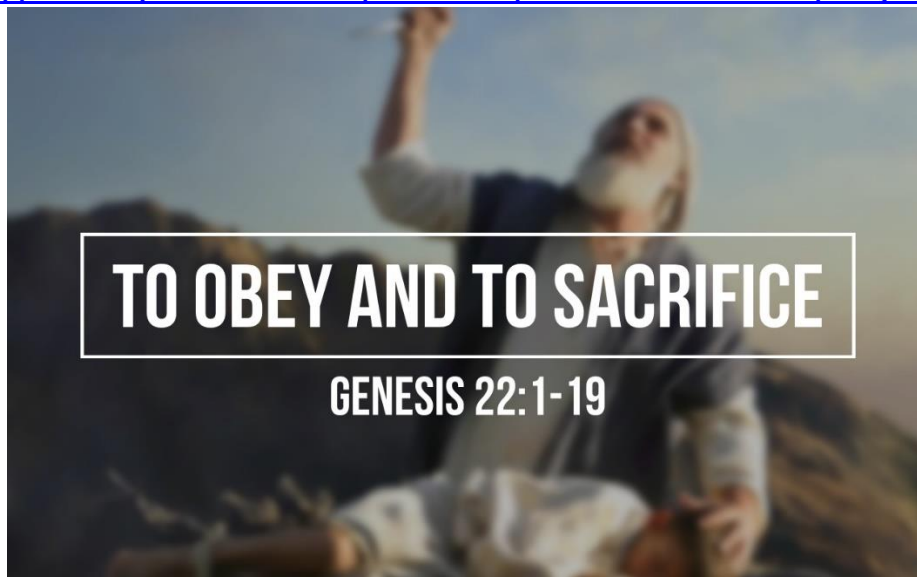


This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville". The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.

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## TO OBEY AND TO SACRIFICE

GENESIS 22:1-19

### Morning Worship

July 2, 2023 ☩ ☩ ☩ 10:30 a.m.

Prelude *"America, the Beautiful"* arr. C. Harmon

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Call to Worship *(Matthew 10)* Jacqui Busch

Leader: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me,  
and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.

**People: Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet  
will receive a prophet's reward;**

Leader: and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a  
righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous;

**People: and whoever gives even a cup of cold water  
to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple —  
truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."**

\* Hymn # 39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

2. *continued....*

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
날 마 다 자 비 를 베 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

TEXT: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923  
MUSIC: William Marion Runyan, 1923  
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Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.**

**We have not loved our neighbors and ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have done,**

**help us amend what we do, and direct what we will be doing,**

**that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways.**

*(Silent prayer and reflection)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;

light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death;

victory is ours through him who loves us.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* 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 Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Jacqui Busch

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen. Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Reading: Genesis 22:1-14

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you."

<sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.

<sup>7</sup>Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. <sup>9</sup>When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>12</sup>He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." <sup>13</sup>And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Reading: Romans 6:12-23

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup>What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, <sup>18</sup>and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. <sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* Hymn # 686 "God of Our Life"

1 God of our life, through all the cir-cling years, we trust in thee.  
 2 God of the past, our times are in thy hand. With us a - bide.  
 3 God of the com - ing years, through paths un-known we fol-low thee.

In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, thy hand we see.  
 Lead us by faith to hope's true prom-ised land. Be thou our guide.  
 When we are strong, Lord, leave us not a - lone. Our ref-uge be.

With each new day, when morn - ing lifts the veil,  
 With thee to bless, the dark - ness shines as light,  
 Be thou for us in life our dai - ly bread,

we own thy mer - cies, Lord, which nev - er fail.  
 and faith's fair vi - sion chang - es in - to sight.  
 our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

TEXT: Hugh Thomson Kerr, 1916, alt.  
 MUSIC: Charles Henry Purday, 1860; harm. John Weaver, 1986  
 Text © 1928 F. M. Braselton, ren. 1956 Presbyterian Board of Christian Education  
 (Admin. Westminster John Knox Press)  
 Music Harm. © 1990 Hope Publishing Company

## Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands.  
They shall perish, but you shall endure.

You are always the same and your years will never end.

You made us in your image and called us to be your people,  
but we turned from you, leaving sin and death to reign.

Still you loved us and sought us.

In Christ your grace defeated death and opened the way to eternal life.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts,  
we take this bread and this cup from the gifts you have given us,  
and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ.

Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering  
of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen.

Gracious God,

pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and cup,  
that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body  
and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who  
are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this  
bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

## Words of Institution

### Offering Prayer

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

**People: the world, and those who live in it.**

Leader: Freely you have received, freely give. Let us return to God the offerings of  
our life and the gifts of the earth.

### Offertory

*"Psalm XIX"*

B. Marcello

\* Doxology - **Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures  
here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy  
Ghost. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Dedication for our offering and the offering of letters

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*) **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 # 725

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (G) (C)  
 Eb Cm7 Ab Bb Eb Bb Eb

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
 2 O let me feel you near me! The world is ev - er near:  
 3 O let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

(C) (Am7) (Dm) (G) (C) (G7) (C)  
 Eb Cm7 Fm Bb Eb Bb7 Eb

be now and al - ways near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
 I see the sights that daz - zle; the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;  
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

(Am) (D) (G) (F) (G)  
 Cm F Bb Ab Bb

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

(C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)  
 Eb Cm7 Ab Bb Eb Fm Bb Eb

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
 but, Je - sus, draw still near - er and shield my soul from sin.  
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, true guard - ian of my soul.  
 now give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

TEXT: John Ernest Bode, 1866, alt.  
 MUSIC: Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans, 1927  
 Music Adapt. and Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press



\* Benediction  
Postlude

*"Patriotic Medley"*

Rev. Doug Hagler  
F. Lopez

### **Sanctuary Flowers**

The flowers in the sanctuary are given today to the glory of God.

### **Church Staff Vacations**

**Sarah Shulman**, Praise Team Leader, will be on vacation from Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Old Time Religion Sunday**

Old Time Religion Sunday will be on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Come join us as we remember in language, music and preaching, days past. See thee in church.

### **Ice Cream Social**



All are welcome to an Ice Cream Social following the Old Time Religion Sunday worship service on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Please join us on the lawn for ice cream with all the fixings or in Fellowship Hall if it rains or is too hot. Hope to see you there.

### **FPC Family Outing – Sunday, July 23**

On Sunday afternoon, July 23, we will be joining together for a picnic lunch and walk along the Schuylkill River. Following a group lunch, we will gather at Lock 60 (across the bridge in Mont Clare) to explore, hike, and enjoy some fellowship. Stay tuned for further details, but in the meantime, mark your calendar for Sunday afternoon, July 23!

### **Dedication of Letters**

Today we will dedicate our Offering of Letters during the worship service. Thanks to all who are participating in this important advocacy effort! The letters submitted today will be added to those written by children in last week's Sunday School class. The 2023 Farm Bill represents critical legislative action on behalf of poor and hungry individuals and families. For more information about the Farm Bill and related issues, go to [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org). And, as a follow-up to your letters, consider sending an email message to Congress here: <https://tinyurl.com/mr4mdzch>. Any questions about the Offering of Letters at FPC can be addressed to Jeff McLaughlin at [fpcchildrenandyouth@gmail.com](mailto:fpcchildrenandyouth@gmail.com).

### **Pick Up Choir!**

It's time for PICKUP CHOIR! Each month during summer, we will sing a very simple anthem with all available singers for that morning. Come to the sanctuary piano at 9:45 am to learn the easy anthem.

Next dates are: 7/9, 8/13.

## **Gratitude Journal:**

During our year-long journey of gratitude, we invite you to record your responses in a journal so you can reflect at the end of the year.

This week's prompt is: **How do I show gratitude for the good parts of living in the US?** If you would like to share your reflection (1-2 minutes) after a specific prompt or something you are grateful for, please let us know and we can let you share! The Church Growth Committee

## **Antiracism Book Club**

The Antiracism Book Club will start a new discussion on Sunday, July 23rd at 7:00 p.m. about "A Raisin in the Sun", by Lorraine Hansberry. Read the book and/or view the play on YouTube before the meeting. The zoom link for this group can be found in The Beat or ask Sue Smith to email it to you. Newcomers are welcome!

## **Prayer Requests**

### **Joys:**

### **Concerns:**

**A Friend:** A friend of Jewell Baker is having health issues and will have to undergo testing. Prayers for patience and relief from the stress of waiting would be appreciated.

## **Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests**

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy Myers and members will be lifting you up in prayer. [fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com](mailto:fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com) You may also call Sue Smith at (610) 933-8816 and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

## **Dan Vissani visits from Zambia**

MAC is hosting Dan Vissani, who is serving in Zambia, on Friday, July 14th at 11:30 am at the Great American Pub. MAC is asking folks to pay for themselves as we do not have the budget to cover everyone. The price range for lunch is \$15-\$20. If you want to join us, RSVP to Kristin Craven at [MissionFPC145@gmail.com](mailto:MissionFPC145@gmail.com).

## **Pub Theology**

The next Pub Theology will meet on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at (The Foodery, 325 Bridge St, Phoenixville). Join Pastor Doug in a discussion of theological topics and current events over food and drinks. Listen, chat, and hash things out...it's fun and thought-provoking!

## **Electronic Recycling Event**

**Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the church parking lot.**

FPC Community! We had such success last year that we have planned another e-recycling event at FPC!

PAR-Recycle Works is a nonprofit electronics recycler based out of Philadelphia that provides transitional employment to people returning from prison. They collect and deconstruct electronics including destroying computer memory data to generate revenue to pay their employees. This also provides their employees with skills and opportunities. Please bring you used or obsolete electronics for recycling!

The following items include a cost to ensure they are properly and safely recycled:

Older CRT Monitors and TVs: \$35 - \$75 each (size varies) Flatscreen TVs:

\$20/each, Computer Monitors: \$5, Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, & Air

Purifiers: \$20, Microwaves: \$10. Reach out to Bob Wittrock if you have any

questions. [bobwittrock1@gmail.com](mailto:bobwittrock1@gmail.com)

## **Church Nursery News**

As an update to our nursery plans going forward, we have been searching to hire someone, and will continue to do that. In the interim, there is a SignUp Genius to allow us to staff the nursery (3 and under) during the summer. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for a Sunday, so that we are able to provide care for our children during the worship service. (See SignUp Genius link below)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4aada722a1fb6-summer1/103049921#/>

## **Presbytery Women's Circle**

The women's study, *Celebrating Sabbath*, will resume on Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 n. in the parlor. Bring a snack or your lunch. Enjoy a brief video session followed by discussion and prayer. Join in this fun learning experience.

## **Men's Group Book Discussion**

Join the Men's Group on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month after church for lunch and discussion. Next meeting date TBA.

## **Books Through Bars**

The next Books Through Bars volunteer trip will be on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.

Registration to volunteer is available via Sign-Up Genius.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AADA722A1FB6-books2> , or call Sue Smith in the church office (610-933-8816) to sign up. Please indicate if you are willing to share with driving. Volunteers will meet in the church parking lot at 10:30 am and return by 2:30 pm. Thanks in advance for your help with this meaningful ministry.

## **First Friday Parking Lot Volunteers Needed**

On the First Friday of each month, May through November, volunteers are needed to collect donations in the parking lot (depending on the weather). Not only does this benefit our church, but it also makes it more convenient for those who park in our lot. We continue to need volunteers to collect parking donations on First Fridays, from 5:00pm – 8:00pm. It is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with a fellow church member, as well as a chance to interact with neighbors in our community.

If you would like to help, you may sign up on the Sign-Up Genius (link below) or you may access it on the BEAT that you receive each Wednesday. The Stewardship Committee appreciates your help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4aada722a1fb6-parking3/121281582#/>

## **Cards for the Military**

There is a basket in fellowship hall for your cards, letters, and notes for individuals serving in the military. Jen Johnson will be delivering these notes to her nephew Peter Johnson and his Navy squadron. Contact Jen ([physedjj@verizon.net](mailto:physedjj@verizon.net)) for more information.

## **This Week in the Life of the Church**

**Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>** *Communion* (\*Childcare available.)

10:30 a.m. \*WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, In person and via YouTube

12:00 n. Deacons meeting

**Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

12:30 p.m. Staff meeting via Zoom

**Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>** *Independence Day* Church office closed.

**Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

**Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

9:00 a.m. People to People clothing+ ministry (fellowship hall)

10:00 a.m. People to People Food ministry (kitchen)

**Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

5:00 p.m. First Friday parking lot collection

**Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

**Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>** *Old Time Religion Sunday* (\*Childcare available.)

9:45 a.m. Pick up choir rehearsal (sanctuary piano)

10:30 a.m. \*WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, In person and via YouTube

11:45 a.m. Ice Cream Social (church lawn)

12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee meeting (parlor)  
7:00 p.m. Pub Theology (The Foodery on Bridge Street)

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**Elders on Session**

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Kathryn Grocki  
Roger Warwick  
Jewell Baker (Clerk)  
George Cockerill  
Jeff McLaughlin  
Adam Smith  
Karin Goodman  
Cassy Gulden  
Jill Kleppinger  
Jeanie Osterhoudt

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