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October 8, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Prelude “*How Great Thou Art*” arr. J. Purifoy

Welcome Terri Camilari

Passing the Peace

Announcements Sarah Shulman

Minute for Mission – The Orion Group

Call to Worship *Psalms 19* Terri Camilari

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

**People: the decrees of the LORD are sure,
making wise the simple;**

Leader: the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

**People: the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**

Leader: the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever;

**People: the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.**

Leader: More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;

People: sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Leader: Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

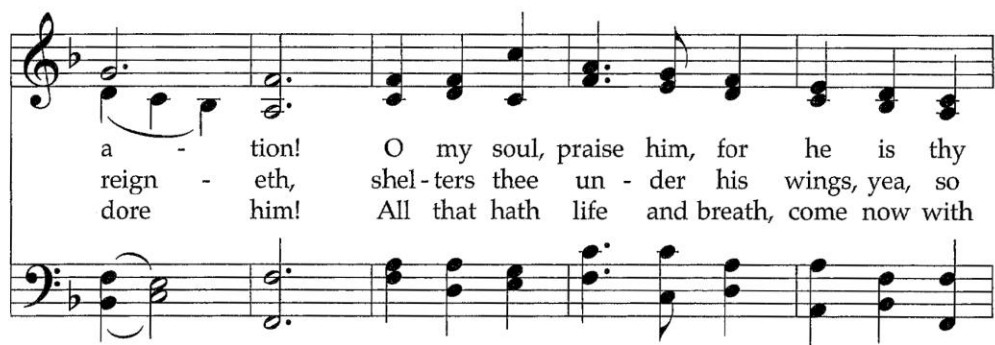
**People: But who can detect their errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.**

* Hymn # 35

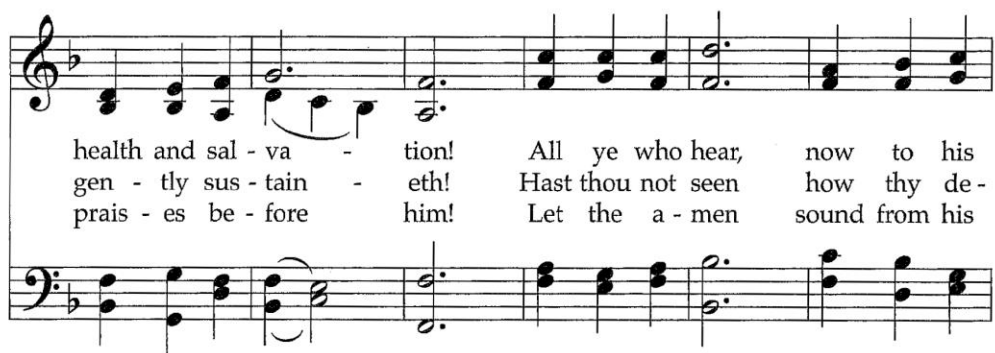
"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"



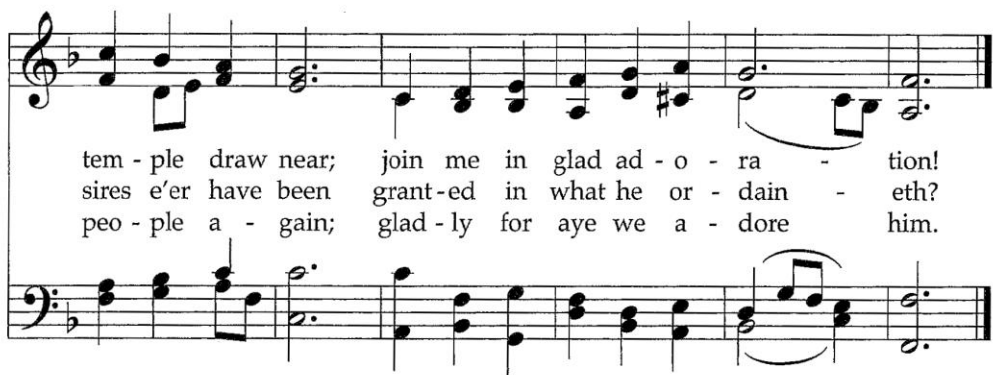
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Terri Camilari

This is the covenant God made with us:

**that God would put the law within us, and write it upon our hearts,
and would be our God, and we would be God's people.**

God forgives the wrong we have done, and the good we leave undone.

In penitence and faith, let us silently confess our sins to God.

(Silent prayer and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Terri Camilari

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: 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

Jeff McLaughlin, Children & Youth Coordinator

Call to the Word

"Thy Word is Living"

Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Terri Camilari

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: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Terri Camilari

¹Then God spoke all these words: ²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder. ¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal. ¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. ¹⁸When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, ¹⁹and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." ²⁰Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

Karin Goodman

^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Sermon (Video presentation)

Rev. Doug Hagler

* Hymn # 321

“The Church’s One Foundation”

1 The chur-ch's one foun-da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord.
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op-pressed,
 4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has un - ion with God, the Three in One,

She is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis-tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride.
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

Call to Offering

Karin Goodman

Leader: With what shall we come before the Holy One, and bow ourselves before God on high? God has shown us what is good.

Let us present ourselves to God as those who have been delivered from death to life.

Offertory

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

D. Wood

*** 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

Elder: Karin Goodman

Joys and Concerns

Karin Goodman

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 # 625

"O Lord My God"

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* Benediction

Karin Goodman

Postlude

"Lead Me to the Cross"

Praise Team

Staff Vacations

Rev. Hagler will be taking Sunday, Oct. 8th as a vacation day. A pre-recorded sermon will be played during the worship service.

John Allen, custodian, will be on vacation from Thurs., Oct. 5th thru Tues., Oct. 10th.

Sanctuary Flowers

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

Retirement Celebration

The Session of First Presbyterian Church invites you to a celebration of Sue Smith! Sue is retiring after 17 years as our Church Office Manager, and we will send her off with a reception following worship on Sunday, October 22. Please join us in Fellowship Hall for cake and other goodies but more importantly to show Sue some love.

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O Lord My God

How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion and take me



all the *worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, when I look down from
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then *I shall bow in



hear the *roll-ing thun-der, thy power through-out the
 loft-y moun-tain gran-deur and hear the brook and
 bur-den glad-ly bear-ing, he bled and died to
 hum-ble ad-o-ra-tion, and there pro-claim, "My



Refrain



u-ni-verse dis-played:
 feel the gen-tle breeze: Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to
 take a-way my sin:
 God, how great thou art!"



thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my

Sav - ior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

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Intergenerational Fall Hayride – Today!

The hay wagon is filled to capacity! Twenty-five members of our FPC family will be hayriding (Is that a word?) later today at Colonial Gardens. If you have previously signed up for the hayride, we look forward to seeing you at Colonial Gardens this afternoon at 2:45. Also, if you have not paid the fee (\$8.00 per person) to Jill Kleppinger, please do so today. Colonial Gardens is located at 745 Schuylkill Road in Phoenixville. In addition to the hayride, you will also have the option to include the corn maze for an additional \$3.00 per person.

Meals for St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter

Thanks to all who provided meals for St. Mary's Shelter last week, including all of the families who provided ingredients for Wednesday's taco dinner. This is a long-term ministry for our congregation and the folks at St. Mary's Shelter are grateful for our consistent support.

Family Bingo Night

Fall / Halloween Theme

You're invited to come and have fun playing bingo in Fellowship Hall on Friday, Oct. 13th. Since it's Friday the 13th, we encourage you to bring Halloween/fall items to decorate your table or feel free to come in a costume! Doors open at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

Each game will have two winners, one child and one adult. Snacks and drinks will be available for a donation. Bingo cards will be provided. Please bring something to mark your card. (pennies, beans, crayons) We ask that you sign-up for the event by calling the church office or using the sign-up genius. This event is for FPC families only. If you'd like to donate a prize, please give Sue Smith a call in the office. 610-933-8816 <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AADA722A1FB6-family2>

Prayer Requests

Joys: Betty Miller

Concerns: Rosemary Camilari; Helen Harrop

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 You may also call Sue Smith at [\(610\) 933-8816](tel:6109338816) and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

Garage Sale Report

Our church's People to People Garage Sale welcomed people waiting at our door before 8 AM to find their treasures. Fellowship Hall was full of clothes, household items, linens, toys, shoes and more that were shared with our community along with smiling people ready to assist them. Over \$2,100 was realized for our mission to feed and clothe our neighbors. Thank you to those who donated items, sort regularly, helped set up tables, arranged items, helped at the sale, and clean-up. Thanks to 28 helpers this week, their many hands, and hours given, made the sale possible. Glory be to God! People to People

Special Birthday

Betty Miller will be celebrating her 97th birthday on October 14th. Please send a birthday card for a card shower to make her day special. She has been a member and Deacon of our church for many years and has served on various committees.

Her address is: Betty Miller, Oxford Senior Living, Brunswick B 37
290 E. Winchester Ave., Langhorne, PA 19047

Thanks for adding a little "joy and sparkle" to her special day.

Men's Group Book Discussion

Join the Men's Group on the 3rd Sunday of each month after church for lunch and discussion. Next meeting date will be Oct. 15th. The book to be discussed will be "Cry Like a Man".

Remembering Loved Ones

On November 5th, All Saints' Sunday, we will note in the bulletin the names of the saints (believers) from our congregation who have died during the past year. We will also note other relatives and loved ones who have died in the past year but were not members of this church. If you would like the names of those loved ones listed, please send a message to Sue Smith at secretaryfpc145@gmail.com or call the church office at 610-933-8816.

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: **Discovering a new place (in your neighborhood or travel.)** 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

Pub Theology

The next Pub Theology will meet on Sunday, October 15th 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!

Raise Right Gift Cards

We ask that you consider shopping with **gift cards** to your favorite stores while at the same time you benefit the church financially.

A percentage of each gift card is donated to our church.

In October we will be placing orders on **Wednesday, October 11** and **Wednesday, October 25**. If you would like to place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-955-4749 (cell), or send an email to (brettdrew@comcast.net). We will complete the order forms for you. Please pick up a **list of retailers**, located in the narthex and the office. Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (**October 10 and October 25**). Please make checks payable to “First Presbyterian Church DR”. As always, thank you for continuing to support this program! **The Stewardship Committee**

Presbytery Women’s Circle

The women’s study, *Sacred Encounters*, will begin on Sunday, Oct. 15th 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.

Books Through Bars

The next Books Through Bars volunteer trip will be on Saturday, October 21st. 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.

Antiracism Book Club

The Antiracism Book Club will be discussing “We Remain: Race, Racism and the Story of the American Indian” by Keith R. Burich on Sunday, October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. The zoom link for this group can be found in The Beat or ask Sue Smith to email it to you. Newcomers are welcome!

Queer Circle Book Study

The next meeting of the Queer Circle Book Study is scheduled for Monday, October 23rd at 7pm via Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85778319381> Join us as we discuss the book - *Outlove: A Queer Christian Survival Story*. We hope that this discussion will bring in folks who are interested in learning more about gender, sexual orientation, Christian faith, and related issues. Talk to Pastor Doug, Sarah Shulman, or Jacqui Busch for more information, and we hope to see you there.

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) for more information.

Adult Bible Study

The adult Bible study is up and running via Zoom. This fall we will start with a study titled “*Women of the New Testament*”. Note: This does not mean that it is a women-only study. We welcome all to our study! Anyone interested can contact Sue Casey for the link. skcinpa@aol.com Sue will also help you get a copy of the book that will be studied.

Support Maui

The rebuilding process has begun across Maui following the devastating wildfires that killed at least 115 people and displaced thousands more. Overall, the wildfire has affected an estimated 3,453 acres of land. The burn area is restricted to authorized personnel only as federal agencies remove potentially dangerous ash and other debris. This could take months, officials have said. To support Maui in its rebuilding process, please write a check out to First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville with “Maui” in the memo line.

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, October 8th (*Childcare available.)

- 8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study via Zoom
- 10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP – In person and via YouTube
- 10:45 a.m. *Sunday School classes
- 2:45 p.m. Hayride at Colonial Gardens

Monday, October 9th

- 12:30 p.m. Church staff meeting via Zoom
- 6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, October 10th

- 6:00 p.m. Parish Life Committee meeting (Liberty Union Grill)
- 6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, October 11th

- 7:30 p.m. Handbell choir rehearsal (choir room)

Thursday, October 12th

- 9:00 a.m. Public Health Management (fellowship hall)
- 9:00 a.m. People to People clothing+ ministry (fellowship hall)
- 10:00 a.m. People to People Food ministry (kitchen)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal (choir room)
- 7:00 p.m. Compassionate Friends meeting (parlor)

Friday, October 13th

- 6:00 p.m. Family Bingo event (fellowship hall)

Saturday, October 14th No events scheduled.

Sunday, October 15th (*Childcare available.)

- 8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study via Zoom
- 10:30 a.m. *OUTDOOR WORSHIP – Blessing of the Animals
In person and via YouTube
- 12:00 n. Men's Group (start in the office then out for lunch)
- 12:00 n. Women's Circle (parlor)
- 7:00 p.m. Pub Theology (The Foodery, 325 Bridge St, Phoenixville)

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