

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Melick

Offerings may be placed in the offering boxes at the back of the sanctuary or on the Information Table. You may also give online.

*The Doxology # 606

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

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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Response: Lord in your mercy, *hear our 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.

***Sending Hymn #853** *We Are Marching in the Light of God*

*Charge and Benediction

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***Congregational Response** *Threefold Amen* Hymn #601

This Week at FPC

August 18 – 7:00pm, AA meeting

August 19 – 7:00pm, Choir Practice, all are welcome

Mark Your Calendars

August 25 – 7:00pm, AA meeting

August 26 – 7:00pm, Choir Practice, all are welcome

August 30 – Brunch Church

September 2 – 6-8:00pm, Messy Church

September 3 – 6:30pm, Elizabeth Circle begins, see Ann Murray for a Study book.

September 6 – 10:30am, Elementary Sunday School

September 9 – 10:00am, Miriam Circle begins

September 20 – 10:30am, Outdoor Service & Potluck, Ft. St. Clair

October 4 – 2:00pm, Blessing of the Animals

Anniversaries – starting in January I will be posting Anniversaries along with birthdays. Please make sure you turn your anniversary into the office at office@eatonfpc.org.

Common Good Food Bank - They are in need of the following: Spaghetti Sauce, Hygiene Items (deodorant, shampoo, feminine hygiene, toilet paper, bar soap, etc...)

Blessing Box – Pop top meals, breakfast bars, fruit cups

Giving QR Code



If you would like to give you can scan this QR code and will be given the option to select an amount, fund, frequency, and either credit card or ACH bank transfer. Thank you!

Prayers of First Presbyterian Church Family and Friends

"Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you"

~Jeremiah 29:12

In our continuing prayers:

Countries at War

Sarah Gregg - continuing cancer treatment, Cy Acheson's granddaughter

Cy - pray for strength and healing

Logan Eifort - stable but still needs prayers, Keith & Chris Jones grandson

Stacey Creech - prayers for breast cancer treatment, Margie's friend

Jack & Nancy Turner - recovering at home

Diane Kasten - recovery at home

Russell DeLuca - severe neuropathy, Joe DeLuca's brother

Deb Tinstman - lymphoma, Dave Tinstman's sister, Molly Hurd's aunt

Remember and Uphold:

Diane Kline - Vancrest

Alice Lindley

Dale Robertson - Greenbrier

Our at Home Shut-ins

Marge Jordan, Julia Withrow, Zoe Barnes

For our Nation and those who serve
Church Members & Friends In The Service

Carson Cooper, Army National Guard - Rusty & Stephanie Cooper's son

Tanner Crabtree, Army - Barb & Randy Wright's nephew

Justin McIntosh, Army National Guard - Bella Hurd McIntosh's husband

Cameron Rife, US Navy - Anne Grim's nephew

Nicholas Rife, US Navy - Anne Grim's nephew

Drew Roach, US Navy - Bonnie Smith's grandson

Ben Freytag, US Navy - Rainelle Tusing's grandson

Soldier's Prayer

Dear Lord, please bless our soldiers, protectors of our land. Servants called to battle when our country takes a stand. Our country's prayers are with them no matter where they roam. Please listen when they are lonely and return them safely home.

Please contact our prayer chain coordinator, Ann Murray, 937-336-0116, email: annmurray916@yahoo.com, call the church office, 937-456-3754, office@eatonfpc.org, or drop a note in the offering plate with updates.

*Our Response of Praise - #581 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.

Children's Message Blessing for the School Year

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*Hymn #188 Jesus Loves Me

Prayer for Illumination

Keith Rutherford

Old Testament Reading from the Psalms Psalm 133

New Testament Gospel Reading Matthew 15:21-28

Response:

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon Jesus Offers a Crumb of Mercy

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*Reflection Hymn #752 Dona Nobis Pacem

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Who is Jesus? Jesus Offers a Crumb of Mercy

²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly

Welcome & Announcements

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Prelude

Call to Worship

Keith Rutherford

Liturgist: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

All: A family formed by faith, we gather to worship the Living Lord.

Liturgist: Lifelong followers seeking sustenance, new disciples searching for grace—

All: a family fashioned by faith, we gather to kneel before the Giver of Mercy.

Liturgist: Children of God, come!

All: The Lord gathers us in and calls us his own. Let us praise God!

Opening Prayer

Keith Rutherford

***Opening Hymn #413 Come Into God's Presence**

Litany of Confession and Passing of the Peace

Keith Rutherford

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, there is much we must confess:

When we discount another's pain or overlook neighbors in distress, forgive us. When we choose callous words over compassionate impulses, forgive us. When we think others less deserving of grace and ration kindness as if it could be exhausted, forgive us. Have mercy upon us, Lord, and heal our brokenness so that every word and deed that proceeds from our hearts might glorify you.

Declaration of Forgiveness and Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WORSHIP AT HOME

Question for Reflection

Why do you think Jesus resisted the Canaanite woman's request? How does this fit with your idea of Jesus' mercy and love? How does this influence your faith in God?

Household Prayer: Morning

Merciful God, this day is full of your possibilities for healing and reconciliation, for new beginnings and restored relationships. Unite my heart with your will so that your abundant anointing will flow through me. Send me now with your promised blessings to preserve the lives of those in need. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God of the night watches, guard me from torment, release me from distress. Call me close to you and kiss me with your favor that I may rest secure in you. Amen.

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**you & me?
we're
neighbors!**

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Our Mission:

*Listening to God's call, following in the way of Jesus and
serving neighbors through the Spirit.*

~Approved by Session November 2016



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