

Order of Worship

Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

Prelude

“How Firm a Foundation”

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn #108 (AA)

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

1. Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.
2. Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord!”
3. All apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow,
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
4. Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name you,
while in essence only one; undivided God we claim you,
and adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have disobeyed Your word, leaving undone those things which we ought to have done and doing those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. And grant, O merciful God, for His sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends believe the good news!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response “Gloria Patri”

Prayer of Illumination

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Colossians 2:1-8

Selection

“Build My Life” by Bri Babineaux

Sermon

“The Beginning of All Things”

(Genesis 1:1, 31a)

Prayers of the People

Offering

Selection

“Lord Help Me to Hold Out”

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

Closing Hymn #838 (GG) “Standing on the Promises”

1. Standing on the promises of Christ my king, through eternal ages let his praises ring; glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God. **[Refrain]**
2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God. **[Refrain]**
3. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord, overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God. **[Refrain]**
4. Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call, resting in my Savior as my all in all,

[Refrain]

Stand - ing, Stand - ing
standing on the promises , standing on the promises;
standing, on the promises of God my Savior.
Stand - ing, Stand - ing
standing on the promises , standing on the promises;
I'm standing, on the promises of God.

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Passing of the Peace

Charge and Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commitment Sunday

Though Commitment Sunday has come and gone it is not too late to submit your pledge card. We encourage all members to participate in this process. The work we do at FUPC cannot be done without your faithful and generous giving. To secure your pledge form see our weekly email communication for the link or call the church office. Thank you for all you do in service to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Bible Exploration

Bible Exploration will resume this Wednesday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 pm. The Zoom Meeting ID is 822 525 2227 and password 305332. Make growing in the word of God a part of your New Year's resolution.

Kahoot's Youth Bible Trivia

The second semester of our Kahoot's Youth Bible Trivia will begin on Jan. 6 @ 7:45 pm via Zoom. The Zoom Meeting ID is 849 0422 5930 and password 191186. It is not too late to get in on the fun!

FUPC Membership Directory

FUPC Membership Directory is available. To secure your printed copy please call the church office at 704-376-8014 or email Catherine at secretary@fupcc.org.

Worship

We will be worshipping with First Presbyterian Church every 4th Sunday while we remain virtual. Be sure to tune in to their TV ministry on channel 64 - WAXN on 4th Sundays.

Monthly Ministry Unit Meetings

Monthly Ministry Unit Meetings will resume on Feb. 21 @ 12:30 pm by Zoom. More information to come.

~~~~~SICK AND SHUT-INS~~~~~

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PRAYER LIST

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God of the circling years, we await the day when all hearts shall love you and Christ shall reign supreme. In the meantime, we shall continue to call on your guidance, and pray that our efforts will be found worthy of your mercy and grace. Amen.