



Thomas Hart Benton, Planting (Spring Plowing), 1939

FIRST 
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Thirteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Sunday, June 26, 2022
10:30 A.M.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ps. 77

Let us call to mind the deeds of the Lord;

We will remember God's wonders of old.

We will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds.

You are the God who works wonders;

you have displayed your might among the peoples.

The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed on every side.

The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind;

your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

Your way was through the sea, your path, through the mighty waters.

Let us worship the God of mighty wonders!

*OPENING PRAYER

O God, you set us free in Jesus Christ with a power greater than all that would keep us captive. Grant that we might live gracefully in our freedom without selfishness or arrogance, and through love become slaves to the freedom of the gospel for the sake of your reign. **Amen.**

*HYMN 687

One God, Our Help

ST. ANNE

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Stephanie Dube

May God be with you in worship here.

May God be with you in worship there.

Children may depart the sanctuary with their teacher for our Summer of Sharing program. They will return to the sanctuary before communion.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Seeking to follow God, shepherd of our flock, and knowing how we have strayed, we humbly confess the ways in which we have sinned, that we might find grace.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we confess that we too often give in to the yearnings of the flesh. We have impure thoughts. We idolize those who misuse power. We harbor jealousies and are quick to anger. We neglect to care for others and gratify our own desires. Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us of our sin. Lead us to ways of love, joy, and peace. Send your Spirit to engender patience, kindness, and generosity, and lead us to be gentle in our care for all of your people.

Silence is kept.

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, we are all called to freedom. Amidst thunderous storms and rocky waters, God reaches out to us in love. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 9:51-62 The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

SERMON

“Setting Our Faces Toward Jerusalem”

Rev. Matt Curry

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Declaration of Faith

Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead. The risen Lord appeared to his followers. They recognized him as their Master who had been crucified. Before Jesus left them, he commissioned them to proclaim to all people the good news of his victory over death, and promised to be with them always. We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord.

*MOMENT FOR MONTREAT

FPC YOUTH

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest!

THE LORD'S 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek God are invited to the table, regardless of church affiliation or any other condition or identity. You may take communion by taking a small piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Pre-packaged elements are also available in baskets for a contact-free option.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**Rise in body or spirit*

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: *Rev. Matt Curry*

Liturgist: *Ben Robinson*

Communion Servers: *CeCe and Anna Robinson*

The Life of the Church

The Mission Committee will meet immediately following the service today.

The Owensboro LGBTQ+ Pride Picnic will include a First Presbyterian booth at Unity Fellowship, 625 Allen Street, today from noon-6pm. Join us and help spread the news that God's love extends to all.

Encore Musicals' performance of Beauty and the Beast features many members and friends of our church. On Sunday, July 17, join us for a church outing to the 2pm performance at the Riverpark Center. We will be ordering tickets at the group discount rate. Contact the church office or Debbie McCoy if you would like to attend.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available. Please see an usher if you would like to use one.



First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive
community of faith called to proclaim
the good news of the love of Jesus Christ for all people,
and to join God in the building of a
just, peaceful, and compassionate world.



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