

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Gracious God, we give you our best, lest in gaining the world we lose life itself. As your people, we seek to witness to your will and way. Help us to know more clearly what you would have us do with the wealth you have entrusted to our care. As we contribute to the needs of your world, we present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

* HYMN OF COMMITMENT *We Are Called (insert)*

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* CHORAL BENEDICTION (*all sing*)

May you run and not be weary.
May your heart be filled with song.
And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
And may you run and not be weary.
May your life be filled with joy!

Calendar of Events

Monday, 10/14

1:00 pm Canasta Group—DH

Wednesday, 10/16

7:00 pm Choir—CR
8:15 pm Handbell Practice— S

Thursday, 10/17

6:30 pm Bible Study—DH

Friday, 10/18

9:00 am Bible Study—DH



Communion Sunday, 10/20

8:30 am United Methodist Worship Service —S
9:50 am Choir Rehearsal—S
9:30 am Morning Bible Study
10:30 am Worship—S

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRAYS FOR:

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEMBERS: Tom Copple Family, Garry Grau, Peggy Burger, Brenda & Robert Long.

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS : FPC friend, John Marks, Mavis Whitten's friend Judy Brunner. Tina Zarate friend of Pam Davidson. Friends of Vicki Ball, Tom & Jenny Hines. Isaac Palacios, son of Melissa. FPC Nursery teacher, Lupe Yanez. Friends of Aislinn King, Carol. FPC Scholar Singer Gaby Jaime's grandparents, Yolanda & Joe Garcia. Paul Vega, a friend of Yolanda Garcia's son. Laura Nurse, daughter of Mary Massingill. Stephanie, a friend of Karen Copple. Prayers for

THOSE GRIEVING: Alexa Brown on the death of her mother, Joan Helgeland.

Prayers for this church in transition.

Many thanks to the congregational care team for their ministries of care, including updating prayer concerns.



**FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
LUBBOCK**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 13, 2024 10:30 AM**

As a church family, we strive to connect people to God and to one another as we follow Christ.



“Landscape with Man Pushing a Cart” (1797), by Carl Wilhelm Kolbe, etching on paper, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:

Minister of Word and Sacrament: **The Rev. Dr. Robert Reno**
Liturgist: **Rick McDowell** *Director of Music:* **Alexa Brown**
Pianist: **Dr. Spencer Hartman** *Viola & Violin:* **Marian Herrero**

**First Presbyterian Church
3814 130th St, Lubbock TX 79423**

Mail: 10303 Indiana Ave STE 400-325, Lubbock, TX 79423

Phone: 806-763-0401 †

Email: fpclubbock130@gmail.com | Website: www.fpclubbock.org

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS JULIE BESSEMER

PRELUDE MARIAN HERRERO & SPENCER HARTMAN

INTROIT *Ascribe to the Lord* ROSEPHAYNE POWELL

* CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*) RICK MCDOWELL

We're trav'ling in the footsteps of those
who've gone before.

**But we'll all be reunited
on a new and sunlit shore.**

O when the trumpet sounds the call,
and the sun begins to shine.

**On that hallelujah day,
when the moon turns red with blood.**

When the saints go marching in,
When the saints go marching in.

O Lord I want to be in that number,

When the saints go marching in!

Let us worship God!

* HYMN OF PRAISE 3 *God, We Praise You!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

My friends, we live our week from day to day, but on Sunday – on the day we come into the House of the Lord – everything changes. Here, in the presence of God, we see ourselves as we really are – hurried, anxious, and even a little bit afraid. But here in the presence of God, we find rest, we find hope, we find the courage to confess our sins fully and freely as we claim God's promise of forgiveness. Let us confess our sins as we pray together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Loving God, when we stop to take stock, we know that we have been blessed in many ways, both as individuals and as a nation. But we also know that we are seldom satisfied, for we always seem to want more – our houses, our cars, our clothes – everything needs to be better, newer, bigger. But the truth is, none of this makes us truly content or even happy. Help us, O God, to remember you, to give thanks for our blessings, and to be ready to give them all away at any moment, for we pray in the name of Jesus, the one who gave everything to save us from our sins.

(Please continue in silent prayer.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON THE REV. DR. ROBERT RENO

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, says the Lord, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. In Jesus' name, our sins are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

The peace of God be with you all.

And also with you!

Let us offer signs of peace and reconciliation.

* PASS THE PEACE

* GLORIA 145 *Glory Be to God, Creator*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

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

FIRST LESSON AMOS 5: 6-7, 10-15

SECOND LESSON MARK 10: 17-31

SERMON "The Burden" REV. ROBERT RENO

CHORAL MEDITATION ANNA LAURA PAGE

Walk Humbly With Your God

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the

children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

* CALL TO PRAYER 349 *Seek Ye First*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

In grateful response to all that God has done for us in Jesus Christ, we continue our worship as we present our tithes and offerings.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

God has shown us the meaning of generosity in the beautiful diversity of creation, in the over-flowing love of Jesus Christ, and in the never-ending gift of the Holy Spirit. Let us rejoice in what we have been given and in what is ours to give.

OFFERTORY *Praise His Holy Name* KEITH HAMPTON

* DOXOLOGY (*unison*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**