



# First Presbyterian

ROME

<sup>9</sup> Hear this, you heads of the house of Jacob  
and rulers of the house of Israel,  
who detest justice  
and make crooked all that is straight,  
<sup>10</sup> who build Zion with blood  
and Jerusalem with iniquity.  
<sup>11</sup> Its heads give judgment for a bribe;  
its priests teach for a price;  
its prophets practice divination for money;  
yet they lean on the Lord and say,  
"Is not the Lord in the midst of us?  
No disaster shall come upon us."  
<sup>12</sup> Therefore because of you  
Zion shall be plowed as a field;  
Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins,  
and the mountain of the house a wooded height.

Micah 3:9-12 ESV

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THE LORD'S DAY  
September 19, 2021  
11:00 AM Worship Service



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# God's People Gather for Worship

"By God's grace alone and to his glory alone, we exist to worship God in his greatness and his holiness with Gospel-driven passion and integrity..." *(excerpted from FPC Rome Mission Statement)*

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## Gathering as God's People

Gathering Song

"Man of Sorrows"

Welcome and Announcements

## Declaring God's Praise

Corporate Prayer of Preparation

From Psalm 23

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.  
Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened.  
Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here  
may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort. Here may the  
weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find  
consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

Song

"Benediction"

May the peace of God, our Heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ the risen Son,  
And the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love.

*(chorus)*

And to Him be praise for His glorious reign, from the depths of earth to the heights of Heav'n;  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain Christ eternal the King of Kings.

May this peace which passes understanding, and this grace which makes us what we are,  
And this fellowship of His communion make us one in spirit and in heart.

*(chorus)*

## Confessing Our Sin and Embracing Our Forgiveness

Responsive Prayer of Confession

*Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.*

*All: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.*

*Leader: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.*

*All: Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your  
sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass  
judgment.*

*Leader: You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.*

**All: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.**

*Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.*

**All: Do not cast me from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Song

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father!  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not,  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be!

*(chorus)*

Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy Faithfulness  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see;  
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided,  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

I could not love Thee, so blind and unfeeling;  
Covenant promises fell not to me  
Then without warning, desire, or deserving,  
I found my Treasure, my pleasure, in Thee.

*(chorus)*

I have no merit to woo or delight Thee,  
I have no wisdom or pow'rs to employ;  
Yet in thy mercy, how pleasing thou find'st me,  
This is Thy pleasure: that Thou art my joy.

*(chorus)*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

*(chorus)*

## Offering Our Fellowship and Gifts

Peace and Greetings

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

“He is Lord”

## Interceding for God's World

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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.

## Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Micah 3:9-12

*Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"The Greatest Prophet"  
Mr. Jimmy Latham

## Scattering as Christ's Church

Song

"Psalm 103"

*(chorus)*

Praise the Lord- o my soul, o my soul,  
All my inmost being praise His name  
Praise the Lord- o my soul, o my soul,  
Forget not all His benefits praise His name  
He forgives your sins, heals your diseases,  
Redeems your life from the pit  
Crowns you with love, crowns you with compassion  
Fills you with good things  
With good things, good things, good things  
He satisfies you with good things, good things

*(chorus)*

*(bridge)*

As far as the east is to the west  
So far has He removed my transgressions  
My transgressions

O my soul, o my soul  
Downcast He's been good to me

Commissioning and Benediction

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God's People Scatter to Live as Faithful, Fruitful Followers of Jesus Christ

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