



First Presbyterian

ROME

¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

¹ For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

*“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;*

⁶ as he says also in another place,

*“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”*

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 4:14-5:10 ESV

THE LORD'S DAY

March 20, 2022

11:00 AM Worship Service



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)*

Gathering as God's People

Gathering Song

"Laden With Guilt"

Welcome and Announcements

Declaring God's Praise

Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Confession Ch. 2, Sec. 1

There is only one living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection. He is unchangeable, boundless, eternal, and incomprehensible. He is almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, and most absolute. He works all things according to the counsel of his own unchangeable and most righteous will, for his own glory. He is most loving, gracious, merciful, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin...

Song of Praise

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing; Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing; call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above
Praise His name- I'm fixed upon it, Name of God's redeeming love

Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me safely home by Thy good grace
Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger, Bought me with His precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love

Here's my heart, O take and seal it seal; it for Thy courts above
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Confessing Our Sin and Embracing Our Forgiveness

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Song

"What Wondrous Love"

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing . . .

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free... I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Offering Our Fellowship and Gifts

Peace and Greetings

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Living Hope"

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

Hebrews 4:14-5:10 ESV

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Gospel Poise"

Reverend Bill Pardue

Officer Installation

Intro to Service

Reverend Bill Pardue

Installation Questions to Officers

Installation Questions to Congregation

Prayer of Installation

Reverend Ken Chivers

Declaration of Ordination

Reverend Bill Pardue

Charge to Congregation

Mr. Mike Garrett

Scattering as Christ's Church

Song of Response

"Sovereign Over Us"

There is strength within the sorrow, there is Beauty in our tears
And you meet us in our mourning with a love that cast out fears.

You are working in our waiting, sanctifying us
And beyond our understanding You're teaching us to trust

(chorus)

Your plans are still to prosper, You have not forgotten us
You're with us in the fire and the flood, You're faithful forever
Perfect in love You are Sovereign over us

You are wisdom unimagined, who could understand your ways
Reigning high above the heavens, reaching down in endless grace
You're the Lifter of the lowly, compassionate and kind
You surround and You uphold me, your promises are my delight

(chorus)

Even what the enemy means for evil, You turn it for our good
You Turn it for our good - and for your glory
Even in the valley you are faithful, You're working for our good
You're working for our good - and for your glory

(chorus)

Commissioning and Benediction

