



First Presbyterian

ROME

15 Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶ For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷ For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸ Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹ For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰ saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." ²¹ And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²² Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

²³ Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴ For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Hebrews 9:15-28 ESV

THE LORD'S DAY

May 8, 2022

9:00 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)

Preparing our Hearts

Prelude

"Jesus, Still Lead On"

Paul Manz

Ms. Faye Kesler

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Declaring God's Praise

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-4

Leader: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

All: Every day will I praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Leader: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

All: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.

Hymn of Praise No. 33

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

ST. DINO

Affirming Our Faith

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty:
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead:
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Song of Response

"The Doxology"

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him, all creatures here below!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! AMEN

Confessing Our Sins and Embracing Our Forgiveness

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Psalm 25:6-7, 11, 16-18

Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Remember not the sins of our youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember us, for you are good, O Lord.

For the sake of your name, O Lord, forgive our iniquity, though it is great.

Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. The troubles of our hearts have multiplied; free us from our anguish.

Look upon our affliction and our distress and take away all our sins.

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Assurance No. 375

"Jesus Shall Reign"

DUKE STREET

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Nearer My God to Thee"

Dr. Timothy Renner, piano

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,

Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee.

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

O let the way appear, leading to Heav'n;

All that Thou sendest me, in mercy given;

Thy Spirit beckons me nearer, my God, to Thee.

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest,

There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest;

Age after age to be, nearer my God to Thee.

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

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 9:15-28 ESV

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Unrestricted Access"

Reverend Jimmy Latham

Scattering as Christ's Church

Hymn of Response No. 311

"Hallelujah, What a Savior!"

MAN OF SORROWS

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude

"Chorale Prelude on Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty"

Max Reger

Ms. Faye Kesler

