



# First Presbyterian

ROME

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## A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

INCLUDING THE

## SACRAMENT OF

## COMMUNION

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For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you:  
The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,  
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,  
*“This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”*

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying,  
*“This cup is the new covenant in my blood;  
do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”*

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup,  
you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

I Corinthians 11:23-26

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### THE LORD’S DAY

May 15, 2022

9:00 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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## Preparing our Hearts

Prelude

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

arr. Robert Hebble

Ms. Faye Kesler

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

## Declaring God's Praise

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

Hebrews 10:19-23

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Hymn of Praise No. 400

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

## Affirming Our Faith

Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song of Response

"Gloria Patri"

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.

## Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Hymn of Devotion" Mary McDonald

Chancel Choir

Dr. Aaron Rice, director

Ms. Jordan Walker, piano

## Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 10:1-18 ESV

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Gospel Fuel"

Reverend Bill Pardue

## Celebrating the Sacrament

Hymn of Reflection

"As We Gather at Your Table"

BEACH SPRING

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,  
Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;  
Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;  
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.  
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;  
May we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast  
Where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.  
There no more will envy bind us nor will pride our peace destroy,  
As we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Words of Institution and Prayer of Consecration

Partaking of the Elements

*(The congregation will remain in their seats as the elements are distributed to you and partake each element together after all have been served. A gluten free option is available on each of the bread trays.)*

## Scattering as Christ's Church

Hymn of Response No. 724

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

LANCASHIRE

# Commissioning and Benediction

## Postlude

"Prelude From the Te Deum"

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

Ms. Faye Kesler

### Today's Scripture

Hebrews 10:1-18

<sup>1</sup> For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near. <sup>2</sup> Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins? <sup>3</sup> But in these sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. <sup>4</sup> For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. <sup>5</sup> Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body have you prepared for me; <sup>6</sup> in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup> Then I said, 'Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.'" <sup>8</sup> When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, "Behold, I have come to do your will." He does away with the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. <sup>11</sup> And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup> But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup> waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup> For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. <sup>15</sup> And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, <sup>16</sup> "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," <sup>17</sup> then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." <sup>18</sup> Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

