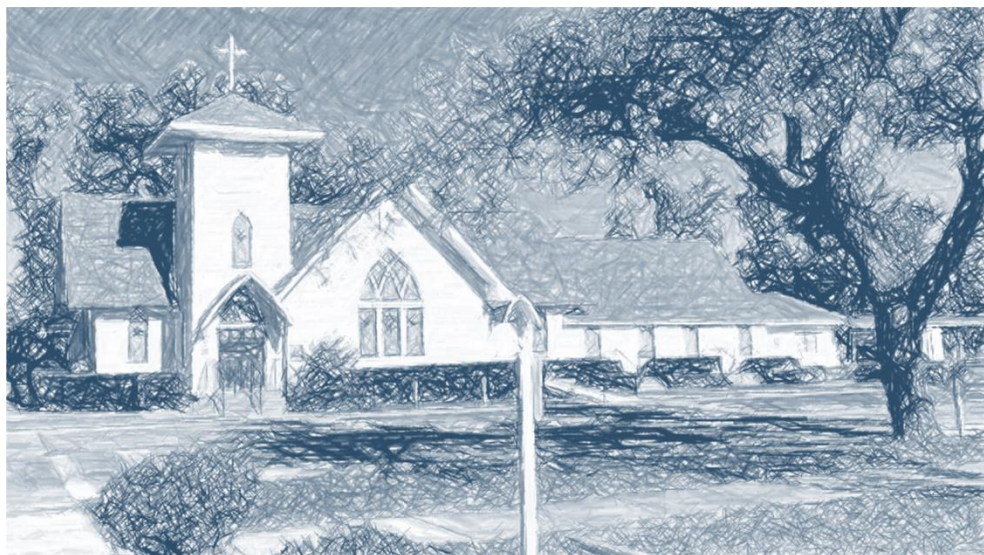




FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*of Lynn Haven*



MORNING WORSHIP

7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**July 11, 2021**

**10:00 AM**

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY

LENT | EASTER | **PENTECOST**



**Welcome to all who gather to worship this day!** We are now in the season of Pentecost, which focuses on the teachings of Jesus and how we are shaped and challenged by them. It is our hope that you feel the warmth of God's presence and welcome here. If this is your first time joining us, we are honored by your presence and hope to see you again soon! To stay informed, visit **[www.firstchurchlh.org](http://www.firstchurchlh.org)** and subscribe to our weekly email.

## **- About the Service -**

*Wearing a face mask is no longer required **if you are fully vaccinated**. Please observe responsible distancing as a courtesy to others worshipping with us.*

*The single chime and Prelude call us to silent, prayerful preparation for worship.*

*The People's words are in **bold text**. \*Indicates that the congregation may rise.*

*Offering plates are in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship.*



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*a member congregation of:*

The Presbytery of Florida,  
The Synod of South Atlantic, and  
The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

*The Session (spiritual leaders of the church):*

Moderator: **The Rev. Lisa Martin**

Clerk of Session: **Rosa Stanley**

Class Of 2021: **Marcia Burden, Steve Gabbard**

Class Of 2022: **Rich Kangas, Nancy Mills, Wanda Wallace**

Class Of 2023: **Huey Hayes, Ann Fyfe**

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# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

“O Worship the King ”

arr. Matthew Zisi, adapt. B. Thoreson

## CHIMING THE HOUR

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 24)

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!*

**The world and all who live in it, belong to God!**

*Who is able to ascend the hill of the Lord? To stand in the holy and divine place of God?*

**Those who strive to have clean hands and pure hearts; they will receive blessing from the Lord.**

*Such is the company of those who seek God;*

**Let us seek the face of God and strive for holiness.**

### \*OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

**Creator God, the earth and all its inhabitants belong to you. We give you thanks for the sheer beauty and majesty of creation. As we worship you this day, give us eyes to see and hearts to feel the presence of your divine love among us, stirring us to mission and acts of compassion to all your creatures. By your Spirit, inspire us to strive to have clean hands and pure hearts as we live faithfully before you and all creation. In Christ we pray, Amen.**

## ORGAN PRAISE

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

John Rutter

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (pray together)

**Holy God, you call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love others and ourselves. Helpless and sorry, we turn our hearts to you. Forgive us, and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.**

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

## PIANO MEDITATION

“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”

R. Lowry, arr. Brad Thoreson

# WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

THE GOSPEL    Mark 6:14-29

(see back side fold)

MESSAGE

"The Nugget"

Rev. Lisa Martin

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*DECLARATION OF OUR FAITH (L. Withrow, Worship Resources)

We believe in God, who promises to journey with us always, in all our seasons of life. We believe God wants to fill us with power so that we may be witnesses to all the ends of the earth, starting right here at home. We believe in the risen Christ, who shows that God's love is stronger than our fears, more enduring than our worries, and deeper than our despair. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the hidden power of God, working for good, bringing hope, encouraging justice, building peace, promoting healing, creating joy. We believe that God is at work in us and in our community of prayers and do-ers. Thanks be to God!

SOLO

"Lord, Speak to Me"

CANONBURY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

# WE DEPART TO SERVE THE RISEN LORD

\*HYMN

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

(see back side fold)

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

"Recessional on 'St. Denio'"

Gordon Young

## THE GOSPEL    Mark 6:14-29

<sup>14</sup> King Herod heard about this, for Jesus' name had become well known. Some were saying, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him."

<sup>15</sup> Others said, "He is Elijah."

And still others claimed, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of long ago."

<sup>16</sup> But when Herod heard this, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised from the dead!"

<sup>17</sup> For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, whom he had married. <sup>18</sup> For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup> So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, <sup>20</sup> because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled; yet he liked to listen to him.

<sup>21</sup> Finally the opportune time came. On his birthday Herod gave a banquet for his high officials and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup> When the daughter of Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests.

The king said to the girl, "Ask me for anything you want, and I'll give it to you."

<sup>23</sup> And he promised her with an oath, "Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom."

<sup>24</sup> She went out and said to her mother, "What shall I ask for?"

"The head of John the Baptist," she answered.

<sup>25</sup> At once the girl hurried in to the king with the request: "I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

<sup>26</sup> The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup> So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, <sup>28</sup> and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the girl, and she gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup> On hearing of this, John's disciples came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

### WHAT A FELLOWSHIP, WHAT A JOY DIVINE

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path grows from day to  
day,  
leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

#### **Refrain:**

Leaning, leaning,  
safe and secure from all  
alarms;  
leaning, leaning,  
leaning on the everlasting  
arms.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July 11, 2021 -

**The Session meets** for its regular stated meeting immediately following worship today in the Porter Classroom, which is located in the Sanctuary Building. The congregation is always welcome to attend stated session meetings, so feel free to join us and learn about the inner workings of First Presbyterian Church!

**The Presbyterian Women Circle of Mary meets** this Wednesday, July 14, at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. All women of the church are invited to attend! A light lunch will be served. No rsvp necessary.

**We are inviting ANYONE (vaccinated or masked) who wants to sing, to participate in our SUMMER CHOIR program!** We will gather at 9:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall on July 18, August 1, and August 15, to prepare a simple anthem sing in morning worship on those Sundays.

**FPC hosts the Presbytery of Florida** on Tuesday, August 3, and we need your help! This is an opportunity for us to bless our brothers and sisters from Tallahassee to Pensacola with good southern hospitality. We expect to welcome an estimated 80-90 commissioners for this day long meeting. Here is a list of volunteer opportunities:

- Parking attendants
- Registration helpers
- Morning Refreshment providers
- Lunchtime dessert providers
- Set up help on Sunday, Aug. 1
- Tear down help after the meeting

Please let Pastor Lisa or Aline know that you can help! Thanks!

**These Days devotionals for July – September** are available in the Narthex. Take one for yourself and one to share!

**Aline Trussell, FPC Administrative Assistant, is out of the office** this week. She will be back in the office next Monday, July 19.