

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



April 25, 2021

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Hymns of Faith

Arr. by Chuck Wilson

Chuck Wilson, Piano

Christ, Comforter of the World

J. S. Bach

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing!

Kenneth Kosche

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

INTROIT

Here I Am, Lord

Arr. by Joshua Evanovich

Lauren Decker, Violin Solo

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Christ is calling you as disciples.

All: Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.

One: You will be led into fields of mission and service.

All: Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.

One: Listen for Christ's call to you.

All: We are ready to serve the Lord. Amen.

* HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.

I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;

Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.

Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;

Be thou still my strength and shield.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Lord, you come to us, but we do not recognize you; you call, but we do not follow; you command and we do not obey; you bless us, but we do not thank you.

All: Please forgive and help us.

One: Lord, you accept us, but we do not accept others; you forgive us, but we do not forgive those who wrong us; you love us, but we do not love our neighbors.

All: Please forgive and help us.

One: Lord, you showed us how to carry out your mission, but we still insist on our own; you identified yourself with outcasts, the needy, the poor, but we do not bother to find out what is happening to them; you suffered and died for the sake of all, but we do not give up our comfortable lives.

All: Please forgive and help us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Silent Reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Sing Twice)

SHEPHERD ME LOE DI ÍSÁ

Jesus knows the inmost heart: nothing can be hidden.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kelly Hickey

Following the Children's Moment, children preschool through 2nd grade are invited to join

Ms. Kelly for Children in Worship.

Parents can pick up their children from the third floor after worship.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:16-20

*** HYMN**

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

GREEN TYLER

God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to move my voice;

God, be the strength to now uphold me:

O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Walking behind to hem my journey, going ahead to light my way,

And from beneath, above, and all ways:

O Christ, surround me; O Christ surround me.

Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice,

Christ in the hearts of all who know me:

O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:18-22

SERMON

"Follow Christ"

Rev. Nick Cheek

ANTHEM

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

Arr. by Zebulon M. Highben

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*** HYMN**

Go to the World

SINE NOMINE

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,

Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go to the world! Go into every place.

Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.

Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

SINE NOMINE

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

For I am with you till the age shall end,

When all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!" Alleluia. Alleluia.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Lift High the Cross

Donald Busarow

*** Please stand as you are able**

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A nursery is provided for children 2 years old and younger in Room 309 on the third floor of the Educational Building.

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in honor of The Rev Nick Cheek and his service to First Presbyterian Church.

*You are invited to a
Reception to Honor
The Ministry
of
Rev. Nick Cheek
this morning
immediately following worship.*

Please use the following email for Nick: nicholas.t.cheek@gmail.com

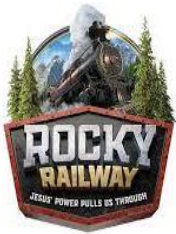
YOUTH GROUP

Youth group meets in person on Sundays:
Middle School 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Senior High 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

“ON THE MOVE FOR JESUS”

A Preschool and Elementary Ministry

We will meet April 18 and 25 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

For FPC Children and Grandchildren
Monday, June 21 – Thursday, June 24
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Be sure to check out FPC's Children's Facebook Page or
the FPC website for the registration link.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Tuomey: Richard Mey

Sumter Health & Rehab: Tom Tindal (John Tindal's Brother)

Home: Darryl Peyton, Kathy Lyons, Emmett Anglin, David R. Brown,
Marilyn Jenkins, Bill Scobee, Tiny Owens, Serena Davell (Marie Mills' Sister),
Charles King (Greg King's Father), Robert Stage II (son of Marta Stage),
Angela Bouknecht (Mallory Beaton's Mother)

Austin, TX: Robert Cain (George Cain's Father)