



FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 8, 2021

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

www.farmingtonpres.org

Click "Worship Together"

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy God, we praise you. Through your Word, you created all things. In the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, you reveal your salvation in all the world. Through your Holy Spirit, you unite us in ministry and enable us to worship your divine majesty, so that with all the company of heaven we may glorify your name as we serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision"

Irish ballad

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the Triune God,

We come to worship the One who is the source of all that is, whose Word brought forth light and order, life and meaning, who blesses and refines.

Let us worship the Triune God,

We come to worship the One by whom we are redeemed, who gave himself in utter sacrifice as the ultimate gift of love, who teaches and models the way of life abundant.

Let us worship the Triune God,

We come to worship the One who sustains, who comes with healing peace and draws us together in community to worship and serve.

Let us worship the Triune God,

The earth is full of the glory of God.

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above”

**O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing
God’s power and God’s love: our shield and defender, the
Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with
praise.**

**O tell of God’s might; O sing of God’s grace, whose robe is
the light, whose canopy space, whose chariots of wrath the
deep thunderclouds form; and bright is God’s path on the
wings of the storm.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have
failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to
love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your
commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods.
Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life
that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy
name.**

KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI – NO. 581

**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.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ 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 on 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.

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Rev. Rebecca Luter

All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.

Afterward, young children may return to their seat.

Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of? Has any other people heard the voice of God speaking out of fire, as you have, and lived? Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

You were shown these things so that you might know that the LORD is God; besides him there is no other. From heaven he made you hear his voice to discipline you. On earth he showed you his great fire, and you heard his words from out of the fire. Because he loved your ancestors and chose their descendants after them, he brought you out of Egypt by his Presence and his great strength, to drive out before you nations greater and stronger than you and to bring you into their land to give it to you for your inheritance, as it is today.

Acknowledge and take to heart this day that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth below. There is no other. Keep his decrees and commands, which I am giving you today, so that it may go well with you and your children after you and that you may live long in the land the LORD your God gives you for all time.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING

John 10:22-30

Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's

Colonnade. The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

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Thanks be to God!

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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SERMON "I Believe: In God"

Rev. Rebecca Luter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

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.

RESPOND TO GOD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Jakob Hintze

"Let the Whole Creation Cry"

Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high." Heaven and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty King." Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love; sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars in God rejoice!

Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold; join with children's songs of praise; worship God through length of days, From the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll: "Holy, holy, holy One, glory be to God alone. (*Stopford A. Brooke*)

*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, you are the giver of every blessing and good gift. In all things, make us wise for the right use of the resources you have entrusted to us. Give us such awareness of your unmerited grace and mercy that our hearts may be thankful, and let our whole lives be praise to you; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN – No. 691 “Lord, When I Came into This Life”

**Lord, when I came into this life you called me by my name;
today I come, commit myself, responding to your claim.**

**Within the circle of the faith, as member of your cast, I take
my place with all the saints of future, present, past.**

**In all the tensions of my life, between my faith and doubt, let
your great Spirit give me hope, sustain me, lead me out.**

**So help me in my unbelief and let my life be true: feet firmly
planted on the earth, my sights set high on you.**

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Festival March

Handel

* Stand as able.

Bold Type – congregation in unison

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Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor
Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education
Jim Thrash, Director of Music
Tom Bryant, Accompanist
Kay Patterson, Liturgist
Rev. Rebecca Luter, Children’s Moment
Ann Erickson and Jinney Hart, Ushers
Hadley Barr, Acolyte
Chancel Choir



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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY, AND
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING
THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. If you are interested in more information about the life of our congregation or in becoming a member, please speak with our pastor, Rev. Rebecca Luter. You may reach her by email at rluter@farmingtonpres.org or by phone in the church office, 901-754-2794.

New members are received by the Session in one of three ways:

- Profession of Faith for those who have not previously joined a church,
- Transfer of Membership for those who are moving their membership from another congregation, or
- Reaffirmation of Faith for those who have been inactive for some time in church or who wish to rededicate themselves to Christ and his ministry in the world through the church.

Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship? Go to our website: www.farmingtonpres.org

Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up? Email us at: church@farmingtonpres.org

Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

Sanctuary Flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Rev. Rebecca Luter in honor of teachers and mentors and their students with prayers for the new school year.

Join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall. Today's refreshments are provided by Shelley Wann.

Sunday School All ages meet each Sunday morning at 10am for study and fellowship. Elementary in A6, youth in the Youth Room, and adults have the option of a Men's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall or a study with Rev. Rebecca in the East Room.

Youth Group will not meet this afternoon (Sunday, August 8th). Have a great first week of school!

Do You Know My Story? Join us Monday morning, August 9th, at 9am as we study Old Testament women who sacrificed for their children. We meet on Zoom each Monday morning from 9-10am with Meeting ID: 811 5596 9116 Passcode: Bible. All are welcome!

Room in the Inn Wednesday lunches for children and guests will continue through August. We need volunteers to provide lunch for 15 on August 18 and 25. Go to farmingtonpres.org and click “Sign up” at the top of our website.

Wednesday Night Dinners We have decided to delay the start of dinners as we were aware that many were not planning to attend due to the current wave of COVID-19 in our community. We will continue to monitor the situation and are planning an outdoor event in September.

Young Adult Study will meet this Wednesday (August 11th) at the church at 6pm. Read Chapters 7 and 8 of Luke and join us for a fun and fascinating discussion.

Wednesday Night Dinners Scott and Becky Hutchins (Firehutch Fine Foods) are now catering to-go orders for dinner to be picked up on Wednesday evenings at the church between 5:00-5:30pm. They are donating 10% back to Farmington. If you would like to order, please contact them at hutchinsathome@gmail.com.

Bulletin Mailing List While we were all worshiping on YouTube Premier, we sent a bulletin weekly to every household. If you are returning to worship in the Sanctuary and would like to be removed from the weekly mailing, please email us at church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

Communications from the Church If you do not get the Happenings email each week and would like to, please email and let us know. We also send text reminders about upcoming Farmington events. You can get those by texting “@farmpres” to “81010.”

Worshipping In the Sanctuary Please be mindful of social distancing. Alternate pews are closed to assist in maintaining maximum capacity and distancing. Masks are required while inside the building of those 12 years of age and older who have not been fully vaccinated. All are encouraged to wear a mask indoors.

Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve In response to God’s blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account,

or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

Fellowship Coffee Sign up on our website to provide refreshments following worship, www.farmingtonpres.org Please keep it simple-something sweet and something salty.

Flowers for Worship as we regather for worship, we once again have the opportunity to give flowers to grace the Sanctuary in honor or memory of our loved ones. The Flower Calendar is located on our website and is posted on the bulletin board near Fellowship Hall.

This week at Farmington...we prepared to return to Sunday School today and welcome children to a new school year at Farmington Presbyterian Day School on Monday!

Remember in Prayer...Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Essential workers and all affected by Covid-19; Ryan Andrews, Jack Arendt, Mary Lou Barrentine, Natalie Bergeron, Carolyn Brooks, Bill Brown, Kenny Buckner, Jelena Colasurdo, Mary Lou Collins, D.J. Davis, Pat Rush Davis, Jane Egan, Ed Gallagher, Rev. Jim Hamilton, Bill Harrington, Martha Noble Hathcock, Gary Hutchins, Harland Lovell, Bettye Lucas, David McCandless, Norma Murphy, Rit Pangburn, Dennis Peeples, Sue Patterson Pine, Jonathan Riley, Patti Simpkins, Williams Stevens, Susan St. John, Tim Struble, Joan Wallace, Faye Woods and from our Presbytery: College and Young Adults and Parkway Garden United Church, Memphis, TN.

Sympathy...to the family and friends of Carolyn Brooks, mother of Susan Bryant, who passed away on August 4th. Please keep Susan and her family in your prayers.

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