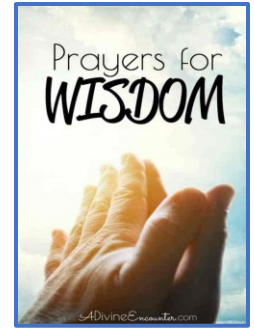




Sunday, June 21, 2020 Service – Online
Faith Presbyterian Church
Sierra Vista, Arizona
Seeking God's Wisdom in the Bible



PRELUDE *"This Is My Father's World"* Sheppard Piano/Organ Duet
Janis Wheat & Sharon Keene

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT *"Father In Heaven"* Heather Carter, Soloist Richard Carter, Accompanist

ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God alone is our Father, and we will worship no one and nothing else.
We give thanks for the good things He has done for us and all His people.
We ask Him to receive our praise and our petitions through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OPENING HYMN *"Come Christians, Join to Sing"* #267

1
*Come, Christians, join to sing,
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!*

2
*Come, lift your hearts on high;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky;
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend;
To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end:
Alleluia! Amen!*

3
*Praise yet our Christ again;
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore,
Alleluia! Amen!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Meticulous God of immeasurable grace, how shall we measure our sins?
Only you know their real dimensions; the history of human disobedience; the ramifications of hatred; the multiplication of wrongdoing by generations; the perpetuation of prejudices by unthinking repetition; the aggravation of offenses by the unforgiving and vengeful.
However you account for our sin, there are none of us who do not stand in need of some measure of your grace, which in Jesus Christ is out of all proportion to human wrongdoing.
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the Good News!

God's act of grace is out of all proportion to human wrongdoing.

God's gift has come to so many by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ.

Friends, believe the Good News! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CHILDREN'S SONG – *"My Father's House"* - Faith's Joyful Noisemakers directed by Debi Godwin

SPECIAL MUSIC *"These Hands"* George Wheat and Fred Whitley

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON

"The Good Father"

George VanderMeulen

John 4:46-54

There was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death. "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe." The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live."

The man took Jesus at his word and departed. While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him." Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and his whole household believed.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

The Message

"The Good Father"

RESPONSE

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 arose 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed by 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.

CLOSING HYMN “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” #353

**1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.**

**Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
 all other ground is sinking sand;
 all other ground is sinking sand.**

**2 When darkness seems to hide his face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.**

Refrain

**3 His oath, his covenant,
His blood support me in the whelming
flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.**

Refrain

**4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne.**

Refrain

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE “On Eagles Wings” #43

***And he will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.***

POSTLUDE “When There’s Love at Home” Wilson

Participants:

George Vander Meulen, Guest Speaker
Elder Fred Whitley, Worship Leader
Elder Heather Carter and Elder Richard Carter, Introit
Elder Fred Whitley and Elder George Wheat, Special Music
Sharon Keene and Janis Wheat, Musicians
Elder Paul Hay, Tech/Video
Elder Judy Mayhew and Elder Bill Brouwer, Photos