

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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17th Sunday After Pentecost

October 5, 2025

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Meditation

"In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love thru'out the whole wide earth." ~ John Oxenham

PRELUDE

Ben Marti

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Eric Garner

MINUTE FOR MISSION ~ FAIR TRADE

Molly Yunkers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Eric Garner

Creator God, we praise you!

Risen Christ, we greet you!

Holy Spirit, we are one body by your grace.

You alone are holy, and we worship you.

You gather us as one people around the world:

one in Christ, one in your Spirit, and one in our worship of you.

We give thanks for the gathered community, and for your presence among us!

Alleluia! Make us one, God! Make us one! Alleluia!

HYMN

The Lord Is God

GTG 63

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Eric Garner

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

By what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

Have mercy on us and forgive us;

That we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,

To the glory of your Name.

Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Eric Garner

Through Christ we have been brought into friendship with God. Know the joy of communion through the power of the Holy Spirit and trust that you have been forgiven.

In the name of Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Gloria

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

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The musical score for the Gloria is written for piano in B-flat major, 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff with lyrics: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -". The second system also has a treble and bass staff with lyrics: "gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines. There are page numbers 8 and 8 at the beginning and end of the score respectively.

CHORAL ANTHEM

In the Father's Hands

Ben Marti and Dr. Andrew Kendall

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Eric Garner

CHILDREN'S TIME

Lizz Kendall

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. — Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

The musical score for the Sung Prayer for Illumination is written for piano in B-flat major, 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff with lyrics: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." The second system also has a treble and bass staff with lyrics: "Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. — Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines. There is a page number 9 at the beginning of the score.

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

1 “Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, **2** so that you and your children and your children’s children may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. **3** Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

4 “Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. **5** You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. **6** Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. **7** Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. **8** Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, **9** and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 19:6-9

Pastor Eric Garner

6 Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunderpeals, crying out,
“Hallelujah!
For the Lord God
the Almighty reigns.
7 Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready;
8 to her it has been granted to be clothed
with fine linen, bright and pure”—
for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.
9 And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” And he said to me, “These are true words of God.”

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Space, Time, and Matter

Pastor Eric Garner

HYMN

"Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

GTG 349

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Eric Garner

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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, Our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead; on the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER
CALL FOR OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY

Pastor Eric Garner

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Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God all crea-tures here be low; praise

God, a-bove ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The image shows a musical score for a piano accompaniment. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment, ending with a double bar line. The number '9' is written below the first staff of the second system.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor Eric Garner

POSTLUDE

Ben Marti



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CALENDAR

- Sunday, October 5:** 11:00 a.m.
2-Cents-A-Meal during Coffee Hour
Fair Trade Sunday during Coffee Hour
FPC Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, October 5:** 10:20 a.m. immediately after Children's Sermon
Kidz Club
FPC Kids Room
- Sunday, October 5:** 11:15 a.m.
The WiredWord Adult Sunday School
FPC Library

Eric Garner, Pastor and Head of Staff
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