

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR JUNE 11, 2023

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Handbells: Here I am to Worship Hughes & Cora
INTROIT 288 Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

Gathering Around The Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Ps. 33:1-12

One: All who are righteous,
shout with joy to our God!
All: Let us sing a new song!
One: Praise God and give thanks,
with organs, with guitars, with all kinds of instruments!
All: Play your best with joy!
One: Because our Creator’s word is right,
and everything God does is done for our good.
All: Let your faithful love surround us, O God!

*HYMN 331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand NATIONAL HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION from Matt. 9:12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) from Gen. 12:1-9; Matt. 9:9-13
God of calling,
you called Abraham and Matthew
and gave them the strength they needed
to follow you.
You also called a people
and cared for and nurtured that people
so that they could live life in your abundance.
You also call us,
but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes
and cover our ears,
turning our backs to your will.
Forgive us, O God,
and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need
to follow when you call. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON from Rom. 4:25
Jesus was delivered to death for our sins and was raised to life for
our justification. God has poured out love upon us, and we have re-
ceived forgiveness for our sins. We can now live in peace!
All: In the name of the triune God, we are forgiven. Thanks be
to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 581 GLORIA PATRI
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.

Listening To the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD’S WORD from Ps. 33:6

FIRST READING GENESIS 12:1-9
(The scripture readings can be found on the side panel of the bulletin)

ANTHEM 340 This Is My Song FINLANDIA

SECOND READING MATTHEW 9:9-13, 18-26

SERMON Rev. Greg Kubar

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks ALLELUIA NO. 1

*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;
on 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 life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS See prayer concerns list, back page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER page 35 in hymnal

GIVING BACK TO GOD’S KINGDOM

God, who knows our needs and our wants, gives us all we have
and invites us to give in gratitude and joy
so that we can bless others as we have been blessed.
Let us worship God through our offerings, in thankfulness and love.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY 606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION from Ps. 68:9; John 17:1-17

God Sends Us Forth

*HYMN 305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy DARWALL’S 148TH

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION from Rom. 4:20-21

*BLESSING

HYMN 539 We Will Go Out with Joy! WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us a little about yourself!
You can scan this QR code with your
smartphone to fill out our online form.
We would love to get to know you better!



This Week

Tue., June 13 @ 5:00pm - Earth Care Team Meeting
Wed., June 14 @ 12:00pm - Packing Food Boxes @ GFP
Wed., June 14 @ 4:30pm - Mission Committee Meeting
Wed., June 14 @ 6:30pm - Choir Practice
Thur., June 15 @ 4:00pm - Deacon Meeting
Thur., June 15 @ 4:45pm - Fellowship Committee Meeting
Thur., June 15 @ 5:45pm - Centering Prayer
Thur., June 15 @ 6:00pm - Session Meeting

Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist.....Susie Lackey
Ushers.....Jo & Jimmy Salmon
Sound.....Terry Randall
Coffee Plus.....Marci Randall

*for portions marked with an asterisk, you’re invited to rise in body or spirit

First Reading—Genesis 12:1-9

¹The Lord said to Abram, “Leave your land, your family, and your father’s household for the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation and will bless you. I will make your name respected, and you will be a blessing.

³ I will bless those who bless you,
those who curse you I will curse;
all the families of the earth
will be blessed because of you.”

⁴Abram left just as the Lord told him, and Lot went with him. Now Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all of their possessions, and those who became members of their household in Haran; and they set out for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, ⁶Abram traveled through the land as far as the sacred place at Shechem, at the oak of Moreh. The Canaanites lived in the land at that time. ⁷The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “I give this land to your descendants,” so Abram built an altar there to the Lord who appeared to him. ⁸From there he traveled toward the mountains east of Bethel, and pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the Lord and worshipped in the Lord’s name. ⁹Then Abram set out toward the arid southern plain, making and breaking camp as he went.

Second Reading—Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

⁹As Jesus continued on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at a kiosk for collecting taxes. He said to him, “Follow me,” and he got up and followed him. ¹⁰As Jesus sat down to eat in Matthew’s house, many tax collectors and sinners joined Jesus and his disciples at the table.

¹¹But when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

¹²When Jesus heard it, he said, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor, but sick people do. ¹³Go and learn what this means: I want mercy and not sacrifice. I didn’t come to call righteous people, but sinners.”

¹⁸While Jesus was speaking to them, a ruler came and knelt in front of him, saying, “My daughter has just died. But come and place your hand on her, and she’ll live.” ¹⁹So Jesus and his disciples got up and went with him. ²⁰Then a woman who had been bleeding for twelve years came up behind Jesus and touched the hem of his clothes. ²¹She thought, If I only touch his robe I’ll be healed.

²²When Jesus turned and saw her, he said, “Be encouraged, daughter. Your faith has healed you.” And the woman was healed from that time on.

²³When Jesus went into the ruler’s house, he saw the flute players and the distressed crowd. ²⁴He said, “Go away, because the little girl isn’t dead but is asleep”; but they laughed at him. ²⁵After he had sent the crowd away, Jesus went in and touched her hand, and the little girl rose up. ²⁶News about this spread throughout that whole region.



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

Ed & Linda Cook; Jo & David Bosh; John Wright;
Nora Harp; John Cain; Jon Burlew; Hannah Vaught's
Brother-in-law, Steve Cravens; Carol Prater; Jeff &
Kathy Bishop’s daughter, Ashley; Jared and Ann
Hines; John Joplin; Michael & Rebecca Davis; Jack
Reynold's children; Bill House; Ed & Joyce Mick;
Sherry Woodall’s sister, Ardenia; Leslie Phillips

Assisting In Worship Today

Ministers.....Every Member
Liturgist.....Brenda Wesley
Ushers.....Autumn & Forrest Brock
Sound.....Josh Jones
Coffee Plus.....Jo Salmon
Director of Music.....Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ.....Debby McDonald
Preacher.....Rev. Greg Kupar

Deacons:

Paula Burlew	Eileen Stockham	Marty Whitson
Cindy Fountain	Mary Beth Waller	Katie Jones
Carol Prater	Susie Lackey	George Joplin
	Stephanie Ousley	

Elders:

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Forrest Brock	Charles Leveridge	Kelly Joplin
Kimberly King	Zack Vaught	Sharon Mandt
Chris Phillips	John Wright	Perry Waller

First Presbyterian Church

June 11th, 2023

Second Sunday After Pentecost



Wesley, Frank, 1923-2002. Woman with the Flow of Blood (detail), from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=59649> [retrieved June 8, 2023]. Original source: Estate of Frank Wesley, http://www.frankwesleyart.com/main_page.htm.

People of God, Welcome Home!

May Christ’s peace and presence fill your heart as you worship this day, and may you go forth with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any electronic devices be placed on silent so that all may hear what God has to say.