

Everybody's Church



First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham

Sunday, January 16, 2022, 10:00am, Second Sunday after Epiphany

Vision Statement

As Everybody's Church we commit ourselves to serving Christ by cultivating mission, inclusion and community.

Inclusion Statement

As Everybody's Church we strive to be a faithful, open and inclusive community. We welcome the full participation of all people of any ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or any other life circumstance.

Gathering Around the Word

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. John Judson

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Angels' Place Homes

Berlinda Wilcox

INTROIT

"Lead Me Lord"
Chancel Choir Ensemble

Wesley

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 36)

Molly and Ellie Burke

One: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens...

Many: And Your faithfulness to the clouds!

One: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains...

Many: And Your judgments are like the great deep!

One: How precious is Your steadfast love, O God...

**All: For all people may take refuge under Your wings!
Let us worship God.**

†HYMN 610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Bethany Peerbolte

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, who calls forth a worldwide community, forgive us when we believe that we can journey alone; when we believe that we don't need the support and guidance of Your people. Help us to open our eyes to the power of walking the road together. We pray this in the name of Your Son, our savior, Jesus Christ...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†OUR RESPONSE 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

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.

Please join in reading those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

†When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or in spirit.

For your protection and in accordance with our church's policy, all members of the Chancel Choir have been fully vaccinated.

Hymntune: AZMON

Confession acknowledges the reality of sin in our personal and corporate lives. This practice relieves us from the burden of sin and reminds us of the promise of God's forgiveness and grace sealed in our baptism.

This brief hymn of praise is an ancient text known as the Gloria Patri or "lesser doxology." We sing it to express thanksgiving for God's forgiveness.

Proclaiming the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

One: The Lord be with you!
Many: And also with you!
All: God, who invites us on a journey,
allow Your Word to remind us
that we never walk alone.
In Jesus' Name, Amen.

FIRST TESTAMENT LESSON

One: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Ezra 2:59-63

Please follow along with the reading on page 422 of the Old Testament in your Pew Bible.

ANTHEM

"The Lord is My Shepherd"
Chancel Choir Ensemble

Trotta

SECOND TESTAMENT LESSON

One: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Luke 3:23-38

Please follow along with the reading on page 60 of the New Testament in your Pew Bible.

SERMON

"On the Road Again: Credentials"
Dr. John Judson

Responding to God

MEDITATION

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"
Lara Alami, vocalist

Portman

Sealing the Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

Materials with additional activities to support faith at home are sent in an email each Sunday morning. Contact Cindy Merten or Dawn Swarthout if you would like to receive this information.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

†HYMN 630

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Hymntune: CRUSADERS’
HYMN

†BENEDICTION

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE

“In Thee is Gladness”

Bach

Andrew Herbruck, Director of Music Ministries, is playing the service.

Our liturgist this morning is Molly Burke daughter of Kevin and Kathryn Burke. Molly has been an active member of FPC's community since she was 1 yr. old, singing in the youth choirs and assisting in Worship Wonder for many years. She was confirmed at FPC in May, 2019, and is currently a Youth Elder on Session. Molly is a Sophomore at Seaholm High School, where she is Goalie on the Varsity Lacrosse team and participates in many clubs. She is looking forward to traveling to Greece this summer with her Grandparents (fingers crossed!)

The service of worship concludes following the postlude. Please take this time to reflect on the day's worship.

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O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - jice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

SPANISH

- 1 *Mil voces para celebrar
 a mi Libertador,
 las glorias de su majestad,
 los triunfos de su amor.*

KOREAN

- 1 만 입이 내게 있으면
 그 입 다 가지고
 내 구주 주신 은총을
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

630

Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Rul - er of the

na - ture, O thou of God to earth come
 wood - lands, robed in the bloom - ing garb of
 moon - light, and all the twink - ling, star - ry
 na - tions, Son of God and Son of

down, thee will I cher - ish, thee will I
 spring. Je - sus is fair - er; Je - sus is
 host. Je - sus shines bright - er; Je - sus shines
 Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o -

hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
 ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century.