



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Called to Grow, Share, Serve”

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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021

11:00 AM Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Jeff Smith

The Prelude

I Will Come to You

Gathering to Worship God

Responsive Call to Worship

Steve Marks

Joshua 24:14-16

Leader: Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness.

People: **Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD.**

Leader: But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living.

All: **But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD. Far be it from us to forsake the LORD and serve other gods! Let us worship the LORD our God, only, and forever!**

*Song of Praise

Hello My Name Is

arr. Matthew West

Confessing Our Sin to God

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Jeff Smith

Holy God, in Jesus Christ, you have delivered us from slavery to sin and you have called us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Yet in response to your amazing grace, we continue to place other gods before you. Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our foolish ways. Help us to remember your claim on our lives; your goodness and your grace, that we may worship you alone all our days. For we offer our prayer to you in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord and our Savior. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

***Congregational Response** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! (v.1)* #839

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

***Passing The Peace** Rev. Jeff Smith

You are encouraged to verbally pass Christ's peace to your neighbors.

Proclaiming God's Word

Sharing with our Children Erin Fowler

(Our children are invited to join Mrs. Erin for children's church following the message.)

Choral Anthem *I Will Come to You* #177

Listening to the Word of God Rev. Jeff Smith

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1; 11-12 (Unison)

Second Reading: Exodus 20:1-21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Word of God Proclaimed Rev. Jeff Smith

Exodus: *"You Are Mine!"*

Responding to the Word of God **Responding as Faithful Stewards of God's Good Gifts**

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Decalogue* Steve Marks

And God spoke all these words saying: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth or in the waters below. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor." Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Steve Marks

Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

You Say

arr. Lauren Daigle

We encourage you to give:

You may place your gift in the offering plates located in the back or the front of the sanctuary.

Or you may go to the church website (www.firstpresboone.org) and click on the "Give Now" button, to give online.

***Doxology**

To the tune of All Creatures of our God and King

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Steve Marks

Going to Love and Serve the Lord

*** Going to Serve**

We Praise You, O God

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***Being Blessed to Be a Blessing**

Rev. Jeff Smith

***Being Sent Into The World**

***The Postlude**

God Be with You Till We Meet Again arr. Carol Tournquist