

Service For Che Lord's Day

Rally Day / Officer Installation/Ordination

September 19, 2021

*Those who are able, please stand. 10:00 A.M. Worship

WELCOME! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We pray that you will be challenged and find joy, hope, and celebration in this time spent together in the presence of God.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God of the first and last, give us strength of mind, so that we might learn and walk the path of obedience and discipleship. Guide our thoughts and emotions, so that we may be like children, totally dependent on You, welcoming all with hospitality and love. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you. All:

PRELUDE

"Shall We Gather at the River"

arr. Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

Leader: Little children, the One Who welcomes you is here in word and spirit. Little children, young and old, all the baptized: welcome to the place of hope.

All: All of God's children, Jesus calls us all into the circle of His arms, Come. Let us worship the Lord.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (In Unison)

Gentle Jesus, You call us to live in Your name with honor and respect, fully known to You and precious in Your sight. Draw us near to You now and every day as You teach us how to feed on Your gifts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

No. 14 GTG

*CALL TO CONFESSION

(Lay Reader)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

O God, Who makes known to us all truth, we confess that we are weighed down by our failings: envy distances us from other people; greed alerts us only to our own desires. Where we might bring reconciliation, we create conflicts. Where You call us to give, we take. Where Your presence beckons, we resist. Deal with us not as we deserve, O God, but forgive us, cleanse us, and teach us Your way. Amen.

*KYRIE No. 574

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Pastor Betty)

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

We pray for Your great wisdom, O God, to come to Your people and set us free. Help us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church this day. Teach us this day and every day. Amen.

FIRST READING Psalm 1

INTERLUDE "I Love You, Lord" arr. Cota

FPC Bell Ensemble

CHILDREN'S TIME Amy Lynn Clark

SECOND READING Mark 9:30-37

SERMON "Welcoming One Such Child" Rev. Dr. Betty Angelini

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

excerpt from the Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the

Church. The same Spirit Who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

ORDINATION / INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

- Presentation of Newly Elected Officers: Elders, Deacons, Endowment Committee, Ruling Elder Mary Kilpatrick, Chair of Nominating Committee
- Litany of Installation

Pastor: There are different gifts,

People: But it is the same Spirit Who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

People: But it is the same Lord Who is served.

Mary Kilpatrick: God works through different people in different ways,

People: But it is the same God Who achieves God's purpose through them all.

Mary Kilpatrick: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit

People: To use for the common good. Pastor: Together we are the Body of Christ

People: And, individually, members of the Body.

Pastor: Though we have different gifts, together we are a ministry of reconciliation led by the Risen Christ. We work and pray to make the Church useful in the world, and we call men and women to faith, so that, in the end, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God. Within our common ministry, some members are chosen for particular work as ministers of the Word, Elders, or Deacons. In ordination, installation, and appointment, we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord said, "Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all, and the one who wants to be first among you must be the slave of all people!"

People: Just as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve and to give His life to set us free from sin.

• Constitutional Questions

Ordination and Installation of Elder Betty Kay Womer and Deacon Guy Latessa Installation of Deacons and Elders and Recognition of Endowment Committee Members

• Congregational Questions

Ray Rubrake

- Prayer and Laying On of Hands
- Welcome and Greeting

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS AND BAGS

... "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, the power and the glory forever. Amen."

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Mrs. Skyeler O'Neill, Willard School

OFFERTORY

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Hayes

*DOXOLOGY

No. 592

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

(In Unison)

We thank You for the wealth You shower on us daily, O Lord, and we witness the marvelous goodness that comes from You. Transform these gifts into signs of welcome for all who are touched by their use. Bless these gifts of school supplies so generously given so that the receiving students can learn and understand Your creation and all its aspects of discovery. Transform us into people who bless others throughout each day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

"Let Us Build a House: All Are Welcome"

No. 301 GTG

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Narthex and Foundation

GOD'S PEOPLE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Joysong"

arr. Hayes

THE CELEBRATION HAS ENDED; LET OUR SERVICE BEGIN!

WELCOME VISITORS! We are pleased you chose to worship with us today.

FPC VISION: Glorify and enjoy God through worship, education, and service.

FPC'S WEB PAGE ADDRESS is http://www.fpcwarren.org – come visit us on the 'Net! Our e-mail address is fpcwarren@hotmail.com.

WATCH US LIVE ON FACEBOOK at First Presbyterian Church of Warren.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – The flowers on the Chancel this morning are given to the Glory of God and in memory of **Mr. and Mrs. W. Roberts, by M.A. Vlad.**

JOIN US THURSDAY MORNINGS... for our weekly prayer talk. We meet in Fellowship Hall for guided devotionals with scripture and prayer and fellowship at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome. Please join us. ...let us walk in the light of the Lord Isaiah 2:5

RADIO MINISTRY is funded this morning by **Gordon and Pat McLean.** Our service is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sundays on 1570 AM. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, donations designated for the Radio Ministry may be placed in the offering plate; contributions may also be mailed to the Church Office with "Radio Ministry" in the memo of the check. Our Radio Ministry costs approximately \$100.00 per week; your financial support will keep this ministry alive.

THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons' Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting **Kleenex**, **bar soap**, **and dish soap** for the month of **September**. You may leave your items in the Deacons' box in Fellowship Hall.

CALENDARS: If you ordered a calendar from M.A. Vlad, you may pick it up and pay for it in the Church Office, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MIRIAM ESTHER BOOKS can be picked up in the Church Office, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please pay \$10.00 for your book at the first Miriam Esther Study on **Thursday, October 7**.

FINAL EVENING VESPER WORSHIP: Our final evening worship will be **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**, at 6:30 p.m. You are welcome to gather from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with your lawn chair, blanket, and dinner. We will have a service of the Blessing of the Animals. You are welcome to bring your caged or leashed animal to receive a blessing during the service. Our pets are part of our family and circle of friends. Each pet holds a special place in our hearts while providing comfort and contributing to our overall heath. Please come and be part of this service. The worship service will last until 7-7:15 p.m. Fellowship afterwards is also encouraged.

LADIES LUNCH: We will meet at the Church at 11:30 a.m. and travel to the Welshfield Inn on **Wednesday, September 22**. Please call the Church Office or sign up in Fellowship Hall as soon as possible due to the limit of 12.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR and join the Trumbull County Historical Society and Voices of Micah 6:8 after services on Sunday, October 10, at 11:30. Meghan Reed, the Executive Director of TCHS, will be presenting the first installment of their Black Voices program. Discover the roots of the School-to-Prison Pipeline, the effect on our community, and opportunities for action. There will be a light lunch served afterwards. Please register by September 27 at the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y57X5RG or call the Church Office. All are welcome!

LAY READER: CANTOR: RADIO, LIGHTS AND SOUND SYSTEM: VIDEO PROJECTION: Lynn Griffith III
Alexis Musgrove
Luke Heiligenberg
Russell Zampino and Amy Lynn Clark

Sun, Sept. 19	WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE - Rally Day / Officer Installation/Ordination - Worship
Mon, Sept. 20	- OA, P
Tues, Sept. 21	- Al-Anon, MC
Wed, Sept. 22	- AA, MC
Thur, Sept. 23	- SPIRE DEADLINE - Prayer Talk, FH
Sat, Sept. 25	- Hrinsin Memorial and Lunch, FH 11:00 am
Sun, Sept. 26 FH-Fellowship Hall	- Worship

Rev. Dr. Betty Angelini Pastor

Melanie A. Vlad Director of Music Ministry Amy Lynn Clark Director of Youth & Family Ministry

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