

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship and we would love to share a treat and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the yellow Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Worship bags for children are available in the back of the sanctuary. After the service, please take the papers home but leave the crayons. The Infant Care Room, equipped so users can hear the service, is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary. Sunday School is offered during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Moment for All Ages. You are welcome to join your child in the class, have your child remain with you during the service, or send them off to class.

It is good to have you here. Welcome.

First Presbyterian Church IN **VICTOR**

**WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



VICTOR

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Welcome to a combined service with
our friends from the
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Order of Worship
12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021, 10am

Prelude "Meditation on 'How Great Thou Art'" by Joyce Jones

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Loving God, we have gathered to meet you.

We have come to listen to you, to seek you, to worship you.

You are the beginning of all things, the life of all things;
you knew us before we were born.

In you we become; in you we live.

Loving God, you are here and everywhere, around us and
within us;

you know our inmost thoughts.

In you we hope; in you we live.

You are the source of serenity, giving peace that is beyond our
understanding.

In you we are still; in you we live.

Loving God, we live in you; we worship you.

Loving God, you live in us; we worship you. Amen.

Opening Hymn #411

"Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

Unison Prayer of Confession

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a
people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to
miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have
preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked
the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with
making a living that we have missed the life you set among
us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts
to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with
all humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that
all who believe in him will not perish but have everlasting
life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to
condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved
through him. Beloved people of God, we are forgiven, believe
this gospel and live into its peace. **Amen.**

Gloria Patri #579

"Glory Be to the Father"

Moment for All Ages

Unison Prayer for Illumination

**Let there be light in our minds, O Lord, sent through
the reading and hearing of your Word. In its rich
treasures may we discover guidance for the living of
today; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Scripture

Psalm 69:1-16

Prayer for Deliverance from Persecution

To the leader: according to Lilies. Of David.

- 1 Save me, O God,
for the waters have come up to my neck.
- 2 I sink in deep mire,
where there is no foothold;
I have come into deep waters,
and the flood sweeps over me.
- 3 I am weary with my crying;
my throat is parched.
My eyes grow dim
with waiting for my God.
- 4 More in number than the hairs of my head
are those who hate me without cause;
many are those who would destroy me,
my enemies who accuse me falsely.
What I did not steal
must I now restore?
- 5 O God, you know my folly;
the wrongs I have done are not hidden from you.
- 6 Do not let those who hope in you be put to shame because of me,
O Lord God of hosts;
do not let those who seek you be dishonored because of me,
O God of Israel.
- 7 It is for your sake that I have borne reproach,
that shame has covered my face.
- 8 I have become a stranger to my kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.
- 9 It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.
- 10 When I humbled my soul with fasting,
they insulted me for doing so.
- 11 When I made sackcloth my clothing,
I became a byword to them.
- 12 I am the subject of gossip for those who sit in the gate,
and the drunkards make songs about me.

Scripture (cont.)

13 But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord.
At an acceptable time, O God,
in the abundance of your steadfast love, answer me.
With your faithful help 14 rescue me
from sinking in the mire;
let me be delivered from my enemies
and from the deep waters.
15 Do not let the flood sweep over me,
or the deep swallow me up,
or the Pit close its mouth over me.
16 Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good;
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

Sermon

“Trees Planted by the Water ”

Hymn of Response GTG#438

“Rock of Ages”

Offering

Doxology

Unison Prayer of Dedication:

Generous God, you have given us life,
a place to live in,
and people to live with.
Open our eyes to each other
and to all our brothers and sisters,
especially the poor, the oppressed, the alienated.
Make us humble enough to help and comfort them,
so that your love and justice and peace may come to them.
We make bold to consecrate ourselves and our gifts
to you and to the service of others,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

...Now we join our voices in the prayer Jesus taught us when he said,
**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.**

Closing Song GTG #661

“His Eye is on The Sparrow”

Benediction

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you as you go from this place. Amen.

Postlude

“Ye Servants of God” arr. by Roger C. Wilson



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Arise, Your Light Is Come!

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FESTAL SONG SM

Ruth Duck, 1974

William H. Walter, 1894

1. A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2. A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3. A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4. A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

Show forth the glo - ry of your God, Which shines on you to - day.
 Pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, Good ti - dings to the poor.
 Bind up the bro - ken - hearted ones And com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

Rock Of Ages

Words by
Augustus Montague Toplady

Music by
Thomas Hastings

$\text{♩} = 82$

VERSE

B \flat

B \flat /F

F

B \flat

1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in Thee. Let the
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill Thy law's de - mands. Could my
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sin - ply to the cross I cling. Na - ked,
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eyes shall close in death, when I

F 7

B \flat

F 7

B \flat

wa - ter and the blood, from Thy wound - ed side which flowed, be of
 zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow, all for
 come to Thee for dress; help - less, look to Thee for grace. Foul, I
 soar to worlds un - known, see Thee on Thy judg - ment throne, Rock of

9

B \flat /F

F

B \flat

sin the dou - ble cure; save from wrath and make me pure.
 sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
 to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Ag - es, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in Thee.

His Eye Is On The Sparrow

Words by
Civilla Durfee Martin

Music by
Charles Hutchinson Gabriel

$\text{♩} = 54$

VERSE

C

F

C

1. Why should I feel dis - cour - aged?
 2. "Let not your heart be trou - bled."
 3. When - ev - er I am tempt - ed,

Why should the shad - ows come?
 His ten - der words I hear,
 when - ev - er clouds a - rise,

5

A

A/C#

Dm

G

G/B

C

Why should my heart be lone - ly
 And rest - ing on His good - ness,
 when songs give place to sigh - ing,

and long for heav'n and home
 I lose my doubt and fear.
 when hope with - in me dies,
 when Tho' I

9

G7

C

F (A/C#)

Dm7

G7

Je - sus is my por - tion?
 by the path He lead - eth
 draw the clos - er to Him;

My con - stant friend is He:
 but one step I may see:
 From care He sets me free:

His eye is on the
 His eye is on the
 His eye is on the

14 C C#°7 Dm7 G7 C G/D C/E C7/G F Fm

spar-row, and I know He watch - es me. His eye is on the spar-row, and I
 spar-row, and I know He watch - es me. His eye is on the spar-row, and I
 spar-row, and I know He watch - es me. His eye is on the spar-row, and I

CHORUS

19 C G7 C G C7/G G

know He watch-es me. I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm
 know He watch-es me. I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm
 know He watch-es me. I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm

24 C C7/E F Fm C G7 C

free; For His eye is on the spar-row, and I know He watch-es me.
 free; For His eye is on the spar-row, and I know He watch-es me.
 free; For His eye is on the spar-row, and I know He watch-es me.