

October 23, 2022

Celebrity Chairs and Cheap Seats



When Jesus recommends genuine humility - and his story is not about banquet etiquette! - what is he calling us to? What is so great about this humility? In Jesus, we see the humility of the one who knew who he was - loved by the Father - and on earth to serve others. He is among us as one who serves, the one who sees the needs of his people and does his best to meet them.

- Sacred Space

Welcome and Invitation to Worship

Rev. Jesse Mabanglo

Opening Prayer

Call To Worship

(Beth Merrill Neel)

Leader: Children of God: welcome!

All: We are welcomed to this place of love and grace,

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

All: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

Leader: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

All: We are welcomed, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are. In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

Songs of Worship

Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

Here is Love, Vast As The Ocean

Prayer of Confession

(In Unison-MDPC, Houston, TX)

Gracious God, you are loving and kind. We confess to you our sins, for they are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change. Open us to your future, in which we will be changed. Grant us your grace to grow more and more into your likeness. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silence for personal prayer and confession)

Assurance of Pardon

(Psalm 103: 8-12, The Message)

God is sheer mercy and grace; not easily angered, he's rich in love. He doesn't endlessly nag and scold, nor hold grudges

forever. He doesn't treat us as our sins deserve, nor pay us back in full for our wrongs. As high as heaven is over the earth, so strong is his love to those who fear him. And as far as sunrise is from sunset, he has separated us from our sins. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Offering

Please consider tithing during this part of the service, or use our website under the "Give" tab.

K through 3rd graders are free to head back to Kids Connection

Scripture

Luke 14: 1-14 (NIV)

Message

"Celebrity Chairs and Cheap Seats" – Rev. Jesse Mabanglo

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Song of Sending

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Life In The Body (Announcements)

Benediction

*Nursery is available during the service for ages 0-5.

Worship Team: Barry Nehring (vocals), Jacque Ormsbee (vocals), Nancy Perry (vocals), Russ Sullivan (vocals), Dan Lamar (violin), Josh Bishop (sound), Fred Brown (computer)

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The *Life* of First Presbyterian Church

Weekly Happenings

Sunday Oct 23	Monday Oct 24	Tuesday Oct 25	Wednesday Oct 26	Thursday Oct 27	Friday Oct 28	Saturday Oct 29
8:00am Adult Education (Room 13) 9:30am FPC Worship Service (Sanctuary) 6:00pm Youth Group (B.O.B)		11:00am Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary)	6:30am Men's Bible Study (Room #7)	6:00am Men's group Jason Address (Looney Bean) 9:00am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)		

Announcements

- Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to have you here with us today. Please fill out a welcome card. Once completed, it can be put in the offering plate or one of the donation boxes on the back wall of the sanctuary.
- The Sunday Adult Study on *Uncommon Decency: Christian Civility in an Uncivil World* continues to meet at 8 a.m. before worship in Room #13 (behind the Fellowship Hall). You are invited and encouraged to attend the class even if you have not gotten the book or have missed a class. Join the lively (and civil!) discussions.
- A new membership class will start after worship beginning Sunday, November 6, and will meet for three Sundays. Please contact the church office to register. Current members are encouraged to attend as a "refresher" course.
- Pick up an Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box and make a child's day with fun toys and a note letting them know they are loved.
- To read more about what's going on at our church, please visit our website at <https://fpcmontrose.com/news>.

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