May 18, 2025 . . . 10 a.m. Worship Guide It's a great day to live the gospel!

John 17 records the prayer of Jesus for all his followers. He prayed, "Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth." At FPCB, worship is a journey through God's Word that renews our minds, touches our hearts, and transforms our lives to love God, one another, and our neighbors. Welcome to the noble calling of worship! A digital version of the Worship Guide is available at www.fpcb.org. You will be able to click the links to the songs and all the scripture references for each movement of worship.



We Gather to Seek, Speak, and Sing God's Grace...

Scripture Affirmation <u>from Mt 11:28-30</u>

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

^Song: <u>Lord, I Need You</u> <u>Mt 11:28-30; Ps 62:1; Heb 4:16; Phil 4</u>

God Offers Grace by Calling Us to Worship...

^Call to Worship Ps 23:1-3

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I have what I need.

All: He lets me lie down in green pastures;

Leader: He leads me beside quiet waters.

ALL: He renews my life; he leads me along the right paths for his name's sake.

^Song: *I Will Trust My Savior Jesus*<u>Dt 33:27; Ps 9:10, Prov 3:5; Mt 11:28-30</u>

God Offers Grace in the Confession of Sin and Offerings of Gratitude...

Call to Confession of Sin

Unison Prayer of Confession

based on Phil 2:12-16

Ps 51:17, Acts 3:19

Holy Spirit, we confess weariness in Your work to make us like Jesus. We stumble, and our progress feels slow. We haven't always worked out the salvation You've given us with the reverence it deserves (Phil 2:12). Forgive us for forgetting that it is You who works in us, both to desire and to do what pleases You (Phil 2:13). Renew our commitment to pursue holiness, not to earn Your favor, but as a grateful response to Your grace. Through Your Word, prayer, worship, and fellowship together, enable us to live out this salvation, let others see how You are changing us from the inside out. For the sake of Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Grace Heb 9:15

We Offer Our Hearts: And Can It Be
Phil 2:7, Acts 12:6-8, Rom 8:1, and Heb 4:16

God Offers Grace Through His Word...

Scripture Readings: Romans 8:28-30 and Philippians 2:12-16 Pew Bible pp. 1119, 1162

Sermon: Sanctification: The Blacksmith's Ongoing Refinement

Unison Prayer of Response

Holy Spirit, continue to conform us into the likeness of Jesus; empower our diligent use of Your Word, prayer, and fellowship for growth in holiness. Grant us patience and perseverance on this journey. Amen.

God Sends Us to Live in the Power of His Grace...

^Song: <u>Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me</u>

click for the scripture basis of the song

^Benediction <u>1 Thes 5:23-24</u>

Journey Notes



Join us on a journey to follow Jesus, grow together, and make disciples.

Welcome!

Guests: Welcome! Please fill out a yellow welcome card found in the pew racks. They are behind the offering envelopes and can be placed in the offering plate or left on your pew. Thank you!

We offer childcare during worship for infants through pre-k students. See anyone with a name tag for directions to the childcare room.

Bring Your Children to Church. During the Offering each week, kindergarten through third-grade children are invited and led to Room 100 in the Education Wing for a bible lesson. No sign-up is necessary. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Jeremy Collins at collins@fpcb.org.



456 is our Sunday Ministry for preteens in grades **4**, **5**, and **6**. On Sunday mornings, when dismissed by Pastor Paul or Jeremy during worship, preteens will go to the Preteen room downstairs. They will be guided through **The Gospel Project** curriculum by adult teachers, along with high school and middle school teaching assistants. Please note that **456** does not meet on Communion Sundays. Students will remain in worship.

To receive *The Map*, our weekly email, or to have something published in *The Map*, contact our Communications Director, Julie, at kastelic@fpcb.org or 724-443-1555, ext. 224.

Care...

Is your household facing a health concern, hospitalization, or hospice? Contact Member Care Minister Elaine Stuebgen at stuebgen@fpcb.org or 724-443-1555, ext. 241. You may also contact Pastor Paul at 724-443-1555, ext 222.

The Elders are available to pray with you in two ways: 1) Submit prayer requests using the link at the bottom of our weekly emails (click here). 2) Before worship, speak to a Pastor to request prayer from the Elders in accordance with James 5:14, which says, "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord."

Notable...

Special Offering: Network of Life. Now through the end of the month, the Session invites you to support the Women's Choice Network—a Legacy Mission Partner of FPCB—through a special offering. Their mission is to empower those most vulnerable to abortion to choose life. To give, use a Special Offering Envelope from the church entryway or pew rack, note "Mother's Day" and the amount on the "SPECIAL OFFERING" line, and include cash or a check made out to **FPCB**. All gifts will go to the Women's Choice Network.



BPCC Preschool is wrapping up the 2024-2025 school year! Wednesday, May 21st, is the last day of classes, which will include a Kona Ice celebration! There are still openings for the 2025-2026 school year for the following classes: Mommy and Me; Friday Two-Year-Old class; Monday, Wednesday, Friday Three-Year-Old class, PM session; Monday, Wednesday, Friday Four-Year-Old class, PM session. Email or call the office for more information! wendy.bpccdirector@gmail.com or 724-443-5330.

Memorial Day remembrance on May 26th. If you're in town, physically able, and off work, please take a moment from your morning to attend the Memorial

Day observance hosted by American Legion Post 548 in Bakerstown. The event runs from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.