

FPC Interactive Worship Bulletin for November 1, 2020

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PRELUDE *Emma Thackston*

WELCOME *Dan Cravy*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome to worship at FPC Missoula on this All Saints Day, in which we celebrate our communion with the faithful departed, all of us in heaven and on earth bearing witness together to an everlasting life of gathered around the banquet of Christ's generous hospitality. You who are at home may wish to set aside bread and juice or wine as we gather around the Lord's table.

We are grateful you are 'here' today, wherever here may be. If you are visiting with us, you are welcome here. (Please do share your contact information with us so we might reach out – especially if needed for health reasons. There are forms on the tables in the narthex. As a sign of our care for one another and for our community, we ask that you wear cloth face coverings above nose throughout worship - except when speaking up front.) There are large print bulletins and printed First Words with our announcements in the back as well.

Today we encourage FPC members to join our 11:30 congregational meeting by Zoom (to discuss and vote on the sale of property for the development of a Hogan Senior Living Center). You should have received information by email and mail. If not, please see the First Word.

In Christian understanding, all believers are considered 'saints.' Those called to a holy life set apart. To lives made beautiful for God. And so let us join together with all the saints, in heaven and on earth as we prepare our hearts to worship the living God.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Martha Ripley*

In all our weakness and strength,
with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,
we come to be your people, O God.
Strong in faith and eager with questions,
singing our praise and whispering our prayers,
we come to be your people, O God.
Filled with saintly determination
yet mindful of our human limitations,
we come to be your people, O God.
Made strong in your endless love for us,
we know ourselves to be yours and
we come to be your people, O God.
May we truly become your people today. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER *Martha Ripley*

God of goodness and mercy,
of gentleness and kindness,
of righteousness and faithfulness:
be the light of our salvation
and sustain our souls.

We offer the daily tasks
that consume us to you,
for we accomplish nothing
without your grace.

FPC PRAYER LIST

ONGOING SUPPORT

Victor Schlimgen
Aaron Henderson
Mary Barnett
Roy Miller

Nancy and John MacDonald

HEALTH AND HEALING

Cecelia Ambriz
Elizabeth Ann Hall
Steve Hasterlick
Kelly Nicholson
Jason Kirschner
Bob Maitland
Bob Bricker
Irene Smith
Dave and Elaine Andrews
John and Elaine
Steve Arno
Lou and Jerry Power
Michaela (Boyette) Fetzer

CONDOLENCES

Family and friends of Peg McDaniel
Family and friends of Jacque Monroe

We submit to your will,
 that we should love you
 with our everything
 and love our neighbors,
 and even our enemies,
 as ourselves.

Renew us and transform us
 by your steadfast love
 into the people of God.
 Amen

OPENING SONG "Holy, Holy, Holy"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Martha Ripley*

Lord Jesus Christ, as your followers
 we are called to be people shaped by your ethical and selfless life—
 one that is so much at odds with accepted lifestyles of today.
 We confess how easy it is to be drawn into these worldly lifestyles
 and we need your constant help to make our behaviour consistent with yours.

Forgive us when our words have been less than truthful—
 inform us with your Spirit
 so that we speak the truth—your truth—at all times.

Forgive us for using anger to manipulate and to control -
 direct us with your Spirit
 that we might handle our anger responsibly.

Forgive us when our actions have lacked total integrity -
 mold us with your Spirit
 so that all our dealings are carried out honestly and ethically.

Forgive us when our words have been thoughtless and offhand -
 instruct us with your Spirit
 so that our words truly bring grace to those who hear.

Renew us with your Spirit
 so that our words and actions bring you pleasure and not pain.

Fall afresh on us, O Holy Spirit,
 and make our lives true reflections of Jesus' life,
 so that we live, love, and forgive
 as graciously and compassionately as he did. Amen.

SONG "Spirit of the Living God"

Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me; Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Martha Ripley*

We are enabled to be kind to one another,
 to be tenderhearted, to forgive one another, and to be forgiven,
 because Jesus feeds us with his life.
 A life given to save us from sin.
 Hear, then, the good news:
 those who are in Christ are a new creation;
 the old has passed away,
 behold, the new has come
 Thanks be to God!

KIDS TIME *Families can go to FPC Missoula's YouTube channel to find special lessons just for children.*
Video credit: Melinda Hickey

SERMON *Becoming Who You Are: Putting on New Clothes* by Dan Cravy
 See link for sermon in email or at fpcmissoula.org.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

All who hun - ger, ga - ther glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread. Come from
 All who hun - ger, ne - ver stran - gers; see - ker, be a wel - come guest. Come from
 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread. Come from

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wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed. You that
 rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy, we keep the feast. We that
 lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are

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yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food. Taste and
 once were lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
 those who from this ta - ble live their lives in gra - ti - tude.

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see the grace e - ter - nal; taste and see that God is good.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT *Kim Brander*

OFFERING *Emma Thackston*

Considering that 2020 has been the year that keeps on giving, and whose gifts have not been particularly pleasant, it seems especially important be mindful of and thankful for the many gifts that we have been given to by God. Although we are called to give thanks always, this new month gives us an extra large nudge to incorporate postures and practices of gratitude into our lives.

Before the ultimate sacrifice was made (Jesus' death on the cross), many sacrifices were physical, tangible objects – like animals and food. However, in the Old Testament, we also read that offerings of thanksgiving were made. As Christ followers who have been given new life and grace, we now have the opportunity to offer our grateful selves to God as a living sacrifice.

If you are worshiping from home, I want to invite you to practice gratitude, for both the little blessings in daily life and the big gift of life that you have been given. You can do this by writing three things you're grateful for everyday, sharing an encouraging note of gratitude with someone, offering a prayer of thanksgiving to God in the morning, and many other ways.

You may make your financial offering to the church by mailing in a check or going to the website.

SENDING SONG "Hear the Call of the Kingdom"

Hear the call of the king-dom, lift your eyes to the King; Let His
Hear the call of the king-dom to reach out to the lost with the
song rise with-in you as a fra-grant of -fer-ing, of how God, rich in mer-cy, came in
Fa - ther's com-pas-sion in the won-der of the cross, bring-ing peace and for-give-ness, and a
Christ to re-deem all who trust in His un - fail - ing grace. Hear the
hope yet to come: Let the na-tions put their trust in Him. *to refrain*
call of the king dom to be chil - dren of light with the mer - cy of hea-ven, the hu -
mil - i - ty of Christ; walk-ing just - ly be - fore Him, lov - ing all the isright, that the
Refrain
life of Christ may shine through us. King of hea-ven, we will an-swer the call. We will
fol - low, bring-ing hope to the world, filled with pass-ion, filled with pow-er to pro-claim sal -
va - tion in Je - sus' name.

SENDING *Dan Cravy*

And now unto him who is able to do far exceedingly more than we can ask or even imagine, to him be glory in the church, and in Christ Jesus, from generation to generation, forever and ever. And all God's people said: 'Amen!'

POSTLUDE