

DIVINE WORSHIP

8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

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(Genesis 12:2, ESV)

+ Please stand for these acts of worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Steal Away* Hal H. Hopson

Jacqueline Taylor Hendricks, cello; Ann Barnes Wilson, piano

INTROIT: *Psalm 66* from *Anglo-Genevan Psalter* RENDEZ A DIEU

Let all the earth with loud rejoicing
The greatness of our God acclaim.
With shouts of praise let all adore Him,
Sing to the glory of His Name.
Let all then say, "How awe-inspiring
Are all Thy works, how great Thy power;
Before Thy strength, O God Almighty,
Thy enemies all cringe and cower."

The Youth Chorus Trebles

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Bult (8:30) Mr. Lauten (11:15)

+ **HYMN 14:** *New Songs of Celebration Render* RENDEZ A DIEU

+ **INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, which 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.

+ **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;
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was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven;
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ **GLORIA PATRI**



Gloria Patri, 2nd. cent. LADY STREET
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CHILDREN'S SERMON 8:30 A.M.: "Fruit of the Spirit: Patience"

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MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN 437:** *O God, to Us Show Mercy* MEIRIONYDD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Be Joyful in God* Carson Cooman

Be joyful in God, all you lands; sing the glory, sing the glory of his Name.
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"
All earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your Name."
Come now and see the works of God,
How wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of praise to be heard;
Who holds our souls in life, and will not let our feet to slip.
Blessed be God.

+ **DOXOLOGY** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 67
(Pew Bible page 481, Children's Bible page 617)

SERMON: *Windows of My Soul* Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas
"The Spreading Circle"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 7:** *From All That Dwell below the Skies* DUKE STREET

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Benediction WYCLIFF

May the grace of Christ our Savior and the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above.

POSTLUDE: *Sonata in F Major, Op. 2, No. 1, Allegro* Benedetto Marcello

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

"Nunc dimittis"

Luke 2:22-40 | Mr. David Henderson

SERMON NOTES

“The Spreading Circle”

Psalm 67 | Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

WORSHIP AT FIRST

Things to consider

- ☞ Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.
- ☞ The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask deacons for a receiver.
- ☞ Nurseries for children to the age of four are provided in the Education Building.
- ☞ A quiet room with a live video feed of the service is available in the Education Building, Room 113. There, mothers may attend to the needs of their children.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ☞ On October 21, all women are invited to “Discipleship Together,” a one-night event of fellowship, worship, and teaching. Registration is required, although there is no cost to attend. Dinner is included. For more details and to register, please visit www.firstprescolumbia.org/women.

For more information on upcoming events,
please visit the church website.

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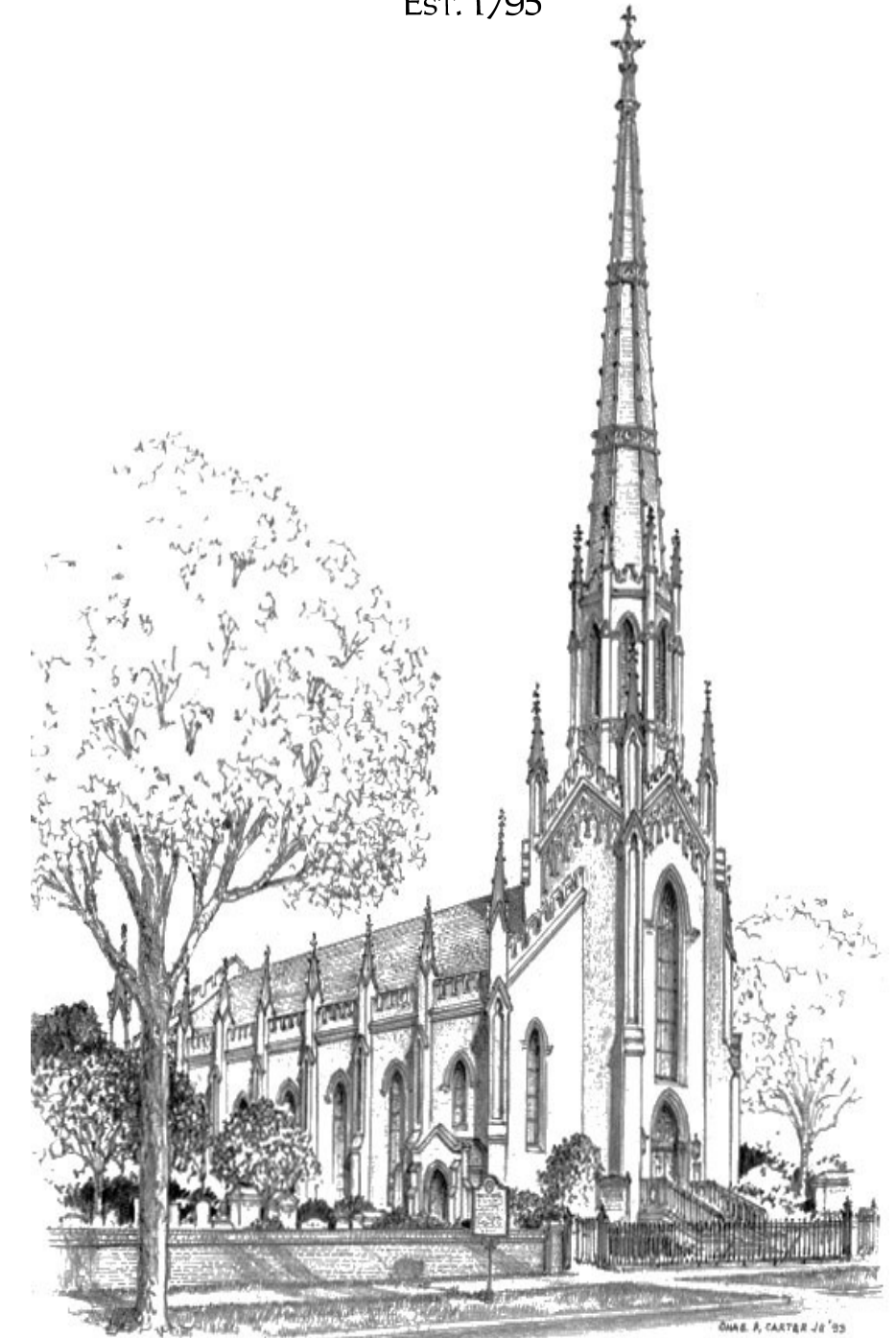
WELCOME

We extend our cordial greetings to all who are visiting us today and hope that you will join us again for worship. We ask our guests to sign the Friendship Register along with members of the congregation and to give us an address so that we can send you information about First Presbyterian Church.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George and Molly Floyd given by their children.

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LORD’S DAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021

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(PSALM 92:1,2)

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**New songs of celebration render
To him who has great wonders done;
Sits enthroned in ageless splendor;
Come and adore the mighty One.
He has made known his great salvation,
Which all his friends with joy confess.
He has revealed to ev'ry nation
His everlasting righteousness.**

**Joyfully, heartily resounding,
Let ev'ry instrument and voice
Peal out the praise of grace abounding,
Calling the whole world to rejoice.
Trumpets and organs, set in motion
Such sounds as make the heavens ring;
All things that live in earth and ocean
Make music for your mighty King.**

**Rivers and seas and torrents roaring,
Honor the Lord with wild acclaim;
Mountains and stones, look up adoring,
And find a voice to praise his name.
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious,
Praises be his that never cease:
Just is our God, whose truth victorious
Establishes the world in peace.**

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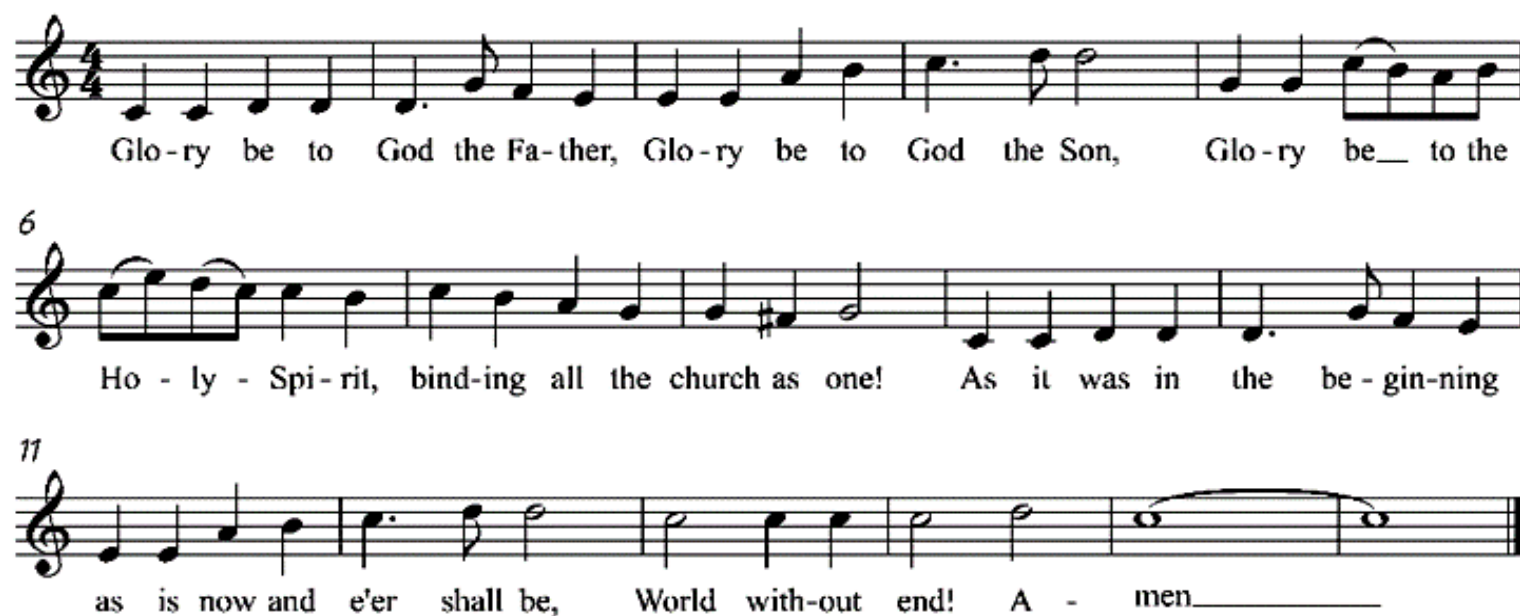
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GLORIA PATRI



The musical score for the Gloria Patri is written in 4/4 time and consists of three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry be to God the Fa-ther, Glo-ry be to God the Son, Glo-ry be__ to the". The second staff starts at measure 6 and continues the melody with lyrics: "Ho - ly - Spi- rit, bind-ing all the church as one! As it was in the be - gin-ning". The third staff starts at measure 11 and concludes with lyrics: "as is now and e'er shall be, World with-out end! A - men_____". The final note is a long, sustained note.

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MORNING PRAYER

HYMN: O God, to Us Show Mercy

**O God, to us show mercy
And bless us in your grace;
Cause now to shine upon us
The brightness of your face;
That so your way most holy
On earth may soon be known,
And unto ev'ry people
Your saving grace be shown.**

**O God, let all men praise you,
Let all the nations sing;
In ev'ry land let praises
And songs of gladness ring;
For you shall judge the people
In truth and righteousness,
And through the earth the nations
Shall your just rule confess.**

**O God, let people praise you,
Let all the nations sing,
For earth in rich abundance
To us her fruit shall bring.
The Lord our God shall bless us,
Our God shall blessing send,
And all the earth shall fear him
To its remotest end.**

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DOXOLOGY

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**1 May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,**

**2 that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

**3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

**4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

**5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

**6 The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.**

**7 God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

SERMON: “The Spreading Circle”

Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

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HYMN: *From All That Dwell below the Skies*

**From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator’s praise arise;
Let the Redeemer’s name be sung**

Through every land, by every tongue.

**In every land begin the song;
To every land the strains belong.
In cheerful sound all voices raise
And fill the world with joyful praise.**

**Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends your word.
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more.**

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *Benediction*
**May the grace of Christ our Savior
and the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
rest upon us from above.**

**POSTLUDE: *Sonata in F Major, Op. 2, No. 1, Allegro*
Benedetto Marcello**