

Prelude

Chaconne for Organ

by Martha Sobaje
Mitchell Jerko, organist

Welcome and Announcements

Mary VanderPol

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 96)

Mary VanderPol

Sing to the Lord and bless God's holy name.
Tell of God's saving power from day to day.
Worship the Lord in holy splendor.
Tremble before God, all the earth.

Come, and let us worship God!

Hymn #12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Prayer of Confession

***What a debt we owe to you, O God.
You have given us all things in Christ
and yet we withhold from you the honor and glory that are yours.
Instead, we pay tribute to powers that are not you.
we plot to entrap the innocent,
we put your patience to the test.
Forgive us, O God, and by your grace
restore in us the image of your face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Assurance of Pardon

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, 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.

Prayer for Illumination

Mary VanderPol

Holy God, through the message of the gospel
and the power of your Spirit
make us imitators of the Lord:
Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 45:1-7

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Special Music
In the Garden

by C. Austin Miles
Arr. by Randa Kirshbaum
Matthew Robison, Soloist

Second Scripture Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon "A Coin Toss"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn #717

For the Life That You Have Given

Offering/Prayer of Dedication

Those joining in worship "in-person" were invited to participate in offering their tithes and gifts as they entered the sanctuary. For those joining in worship "at home" we invite you to offer your lives to the service of Christ, during this time. If you wish to give a tithe or other financial gift, you may do so by sending a check to the church office (801 Leavenworth St., Manhattan, KS 66502) or by visiting our church website (<http://www.firstpresmanhattan.com/giving/ways-to-give/>). Thank you for your support, and your contribution to the outreach and ministry of Jesus through this congregation!

Charge and Benediction

Postlude
Fanfare and Trumpet Tune

by Stanley E. Saxton
Mitchell Jerko, organist

Announcements

The flowers on the Communion table this morning are provided by Emily Mark in celebration of all October Birthdays. In addition, we have flowers from Larry Bowers & Carolyn Knotsman-Bowers, who were both widowers that found love again and are Celebrating their 16th Wedding Anniversary which was on the 17th. We also have a red rose for Zoe Adeline Berding, born on October 12, 2020, who is Bob and Mary Metz's first grandchild.

Thank you to Matthew Robison for providing special music this morning.

One of our long time members, Dorris Beckenhauer, is turning 100 on Tuesday, November 2nd! If you could take a moment to send her a birthday card to her home, 112 N. Dartmouth Dr. MHK 66503 it would be greatly appreciated since we cannot celebrate with her as a church family due to Covid-19.

Our Children, Youth and Families will be having some Fall Family Fun on Sunday, October 25th at 5:00 p.m. at the Lazy T Ranch! This FREE event will be limited to 100 people and will include CORN MAZE, COMBINE SLIDE, HAY BALE MAZE, JUMPING MATS, GIANT FLINT HILLS SLIDE, and PETTING ZOO. Also includes FAMILY SUPPER AROUND THE BONFIRE and our YOUTH GROUP will be playing FLASHLIGHT TAG IN THE MAZE! **R.S.V.P. by Friday, October 23 to shiloh@firstpresmanhattan.com.** Social distancing guidelines and all other safety precautions in place at the Lazy T Ranch must be observed. Masks required for FPC family activities.

The Men's luncheon, formerly held at Meadowlark twice monthly, will now be held monthly at First Presbyterian Church the **third Monday of each month at noon**. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 19 at noon. I will be held outdoors in Friendship Park if weather permits, or otherwise in Fisher Hall. The "Upper Room," which is available in the Sanctuary and at the meeting, will be used for meditation and discussion. *Please bring your own lunch.* We look forward to seeing you there!

Please consider **making a donation to the Music Guild Student Scholarship Fund** that provides scholarships for our college students who sing in the Chancel Choir and participate in the Handbell Choir. Your generous donations in the past have made a significant difference in our Music Ministry and the lives of our talented college students.

The **Upper Room Devotionals for November/December are available now**. You can pick you one from the Narthex on Sunday morning during Worship or stop by the office anytime Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. If you would like us to mail you one, please call the office at 785-587-9578 and we will be happy to do so.

As a precautionary measure due to COVID-19, **the cry room is unavailable**. With love we welcome little ones in our worship service! If you wish to step out with your child, feel free to utilize the narthex sitting area at your discretion. A diaper changing station is located in the narthex's south-facing restroom, down the hallway from the elevator.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

Call To Service

Please consider joining other **BRIDGE BUILDERS** in our congregation, who are working to establish a strong link between our church home and the shut-in members still wanting a connection to their church family. The qualifications are simple...a caring heart and a few minutes in your schedule to make a visit or a call to someone in need of a “special friend.” Each **BRIDGE BUILDER** will be assigned to one “special friend” and the connection between you is of your own design. If you want to be a part of this very special mission within our own congregation, please email our church office at therese@firstpresmanhattan.com or call the office at 785-537-0518.

Community Meals NEEDS your help! Community Meals currently serves to-go meals on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. which includes a to-go breakfast as well. We are in need of volunteers who are willing to help with bringing food and/or serving the food. For more information, please contact Claudia Voos at cvoos@burnettauto.com or Missy Cox at mjc_2188@hotmail.com

Blessing Box...Did you know that some members of our congregation join with the members of First Congregational Church to place non-perishable and hygiene items in the BLESSING BOX at Poyntz Avenue and Juliette Street! All are welcomed by members of our community family whose lack of resources keep them from purchasing these necessities for themselves. Contributions now and throughout the year can be designated for THE BLESSING BOX and dropped off at the church office. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Prayer Corner

If you would like to be included in the prayer corner of the weekly email, please contact Therese Szatkowski, Communications Coordinator, therese@firstpresmanhattan.com; 785-537-0518.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

717 For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in

Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these

gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;

heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to

love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

The text was commissioned in 1987 by Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, where it has continued to be used each Sunday as the offertory response. The triune activity of God as Creator (line 1), Savior (line 2), and Sustainer (line 7) enables and inspires our thanks and praise.