

Prelude "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Alice Jordan

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 119:49-50; Romans 8:2)

Remember your word to your servant, in which you have made me hope.

This is my comfort in my affliction, that your promise gives me life.

The Holy Spirit was promised.

The Holy Spirit was sent that we might have life and be free from sin and death.

Come, let us worship God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*Trinity Hymnal 455 "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" (v. 1, 4, 5) SAGINA

*Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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.

Bible Songs 187 "God's Overshadowing Protection"

Psalter Reading Psalm 91:1-14 (*Bible Songs*, page 332)

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; and 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 *universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Take Up Thy Cross" (excerpt) arr. Jeanette Keyser

Prayer

Offertory "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Walter Ehret

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer

Scripture Romans 8:1-8

¹ Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸ Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

Sermon "Life in the Spirit"

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal 329 "Come, O Creator Spirit Blest" (v. 1, 4, 6) GRACE CHURCH

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Andantino in E-Flat Major" Jakub Blied

Announcements for September 17, 2023

Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with our BBQ lunch for first responders.

The Session meets today following worship in the Conference Room.

If you are planning to go to Clover this afternoon to see the kitchen at First United Methodist Church, please meet briefly with Nancy in the Fellowship Hall.

Our fellowship meal and Bible study resume Wednesday, September 20th at 6:00 p.m. The church is providing our meal. We will be studying 1 Corinthians.

Our Women's Ministry will meet Sunday, September 24th and Sunday, October 1st.

Deacons have a budget meeting Sunday, September 24th at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Strides of Strength will have their annual fundraiser on Saturday, September 23rd from 6:30-10:30 p.m. at The Bins at Gaston Farm, 3445 JS Gaston Rd, Richburg. For more information please visit StridesofStrength.org or call 803-374-6255.

Erskine College will host its Second Annual Garnet & Gold Forum, an evening focused on Christian thinking in a secular society, on Friday, Sept. 29, 2023. Dr. Stephen C. Meyer, director of the Discovery Institute's Center for Science and Culture will serve as keynote speaker. The event, which includes a dinner and keynote address, will be held in the Bowie Arts Center on the Erskine College campus. For more information, please contact Beth Boyd at beth.boyd@erskine.edu or by calling 864-379-6502.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Meal, Bible Study, Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 21, 2023

6:00-8:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 24, 2023

10:00 a.m. - Child/Adult Bible Study

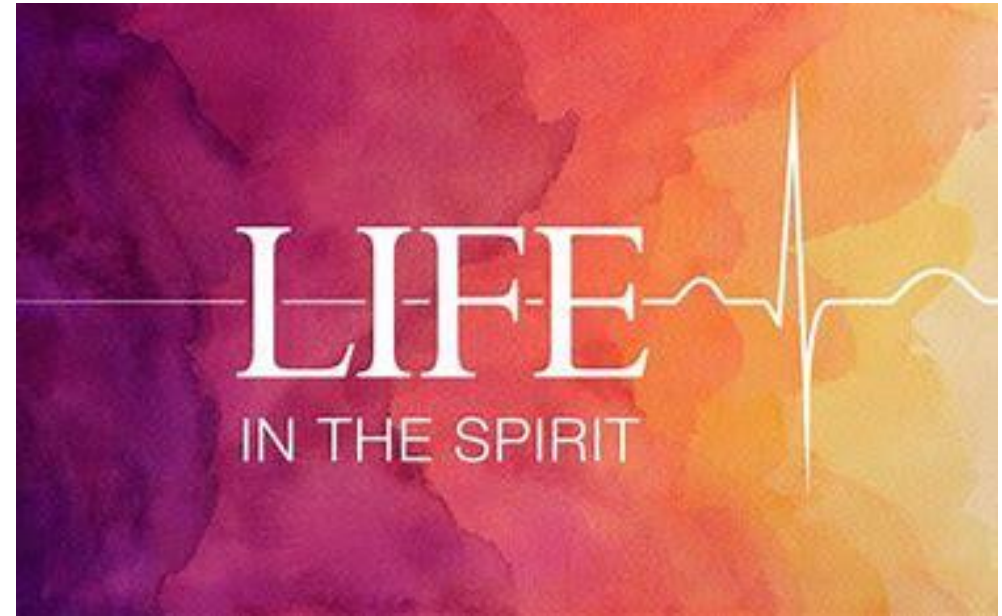
11:00 a.m. - Worship

Women's Ministry meets following worship

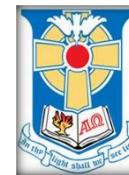
4:00 p.m. - Diaconate meets in Fellowship Hall

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Order of Worship Sunday, September 17, 2023



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.