Worship of the Living God

Prelude

Welcome Rev. Lara Musser Gritter

* Call to Worship Rev. Alicia Wilson

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgments are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.
How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

* Song *Our God*

* Confession of Sin

God of transformation, you transform water into wine,
hearts of stone into hearts overflowing with your love.
Sometimes we do not believe that you act in this world.
We hesitate to ask for your intervention
for fear you will not respond.
We take matters into our own hands
and do not wait for your guidance.
We are sorry and we humbly repent.
Restore us with your mercy and turn our hearts to you.

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Musical Response *Glory to God,*
Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Baptism

Scripture: Psalm 36:5-10

Scripture: John 2:1-11

Sermon

* Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God who saved us
not because of good things we have done,
but because of God's mercy.
God saved us by the washing of rebirth,
and renewal by the Holy Spirit,
whom God poured out on us generously
through Jesus Christ our Savior;
so that justified by his grace
we might become heirs with the hope of eternal life.
This is a trustworthy saying.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Celebrations

Offering
2 Cents a Meal Offering

Offertory *Your Love Oh Lord*

* Doxology *New Doxology*

* Prayer of Dedication

* Song *Everlasting God*

* Benediction

Postlude

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*Those who are able are invited to stand.
Bold indicates words spoken in unison.

Joys and Concerns this week:

Bunni Bost, David Hall, Caren Bills, Bill Baker, Pat Weber, Keith Corriher (Jan Corriher Smith's cousin)

Teen Aron and family on the death of her grandfather, Marvin Pinson

Rev. Josh thanks the congregation for holding up his grandfather, Marvin Gritter, in prayer these past months. On Wednesday morning of this last week, Marvin died peacefully in his sleep, and went on to see his maker face to face. The Gritter family appreciates your support and prayers in the coming weeks.

Continuing Concerns:

Dorothy Beisel (Carol Worthy's aunt), Lois Boyd (Ellie Grover's mother), Tom Harrell, Maria Hudson, Steven Lescoe, Jan Lewis, Rocky Mead (Chris Mead's father), Mike Purser (Kathy Sanborn's brother), Judy Rochelle, Ed and Jeanette Whitley, Acey Worthy

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Church Life

Parents: Our children are such precious gifts from the Lord. Please accompany your child when they go to the restroom during worship services or move through the church building to ensure their safety. We want our church to be a safe place for our children, but remember, our doors allow people to come and go.

Baptism

This morning, Ryan and Bekah Summitt present their daughter, Sloan Magnolia, for baptism. Sloan was born on March 14, 2021.

Lewis Preaching Series

Due to the increase in COVID cases in Rowan County, the Lewis Preaching Series events for January 30 are canceled. However, we will have our regular worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 that day.

Reconciliation Ministry

"Race: The Power of an Illusion" continues at 6:00, on January 19 and 26. Participants will watch and discuss excerpts from each episode. Facilitators Michelle Strong and Krista Hill will lead the discussion. Please, let the church office know if you will be attending.

All In Groups – Sign-up Ends January 20!

All In Groups will begin February 7 and continue through Easter. This is an opportunity for everyone to grow deeper in their faith and experience fellowship with others in the church you may not know. The curriculum will be based on each week's sermons. Use today's insert to choose your top 3 times to meet and then place it in the offering plate today

Sisters in Christ

All Ladies are invited to join in a new bible study with Sisters in Christ! They meet Sundays, 9:45-10:45 am. This winter season's study is entitled "How Much More" by Lisa Harper, which has 7-sessions. Join Sisters to discover divine love in the often overlooked and misunderstood passages. The class is led by Judy Mabe, Margaret Harris, and Robin Fisher, but we all join in great discussions with Lisa Harper's video questions and weekly reflections. To find out more, please contact Robin Fisher at rennisfisher@hotmail.com.

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes are now available in the Sanctuary narthex, Lewis Hall foyer, and the Business Office. Packs of 12 and 52 are ready for you to pick up.

FPC Day School

Our Day School has an immediate need for substitutes. Hours: 8:15-12:15, Monday-Friday. Contact Kathy Sanborn if you are willing to help.

Nursery Available

We are happy to have God's children of all ages attend worship. However, we have a fantastic nursery located in the Family Life Center building if you desire. Please see an usher, and they will be happy to guide you to the nursery since the building is locked for the safety of our children.

Upcoming Events

January 16	8:30	Worship in Lewis Hall
	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship in the Sanctuary
		Livestreamed to YouTube & Facebook
	5:00	Youth @ RHM
January 17		Office Closed
January 18	10:30	Staff
	5:00	Finance
	7:00	Session
January 19	Noon	Newsletter Deadline for Feb.
	5:30	Handbells
	6:00	Power of Illusion
	7:00	Choir
January 20	7:00	Life Center Rehearsal
January 21	9:45	BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) Study for Women – On Zoom in January

Each Sunday at 11:00 in the Sanctuary, we livestream to Facebook and YouTube.

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