



## ATTENDANCE

**ATTENDANCE:** Sunday, September 5, 2021, Worship 10:00 a.m. - 26  
Sunday, September 5, 2021, Adult Bible Study 9:00 a.m.-5  
Wednesday, September 1, 2021 Bible Study 1:30 p.m. - 10

### WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCES

Weekly contributions needed: \$2,280.00

Amount deposited for the week of September 5th, 2021- \$1,448.00

The First Presbyterian Church Annual Budget is: \$118,296.00

### Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 19, 2021

#### 17th Sunday after Pentecost

*Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3: 13—4:3, 7-8a*

*Mark 9:30-37*

### **VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED!**

*Proofreader needed for the monthly Redbud newsletter. If you have good grammar skills, and an eye for spelling errors, this is the job for you! (air-conditioning, a comfy chair & a dictionary will be provided!)*

*Proof reading the Redbud will require approximately one hour on one day at the end of the month. If interested see Pastor Clark.*



Our annual Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Drive has begun with virtual shoebox building on our website ([fpcmh@centurytel.net](mailto:fpcmh@centurytel.net)). Mary Smith will be heading up this mission project this year! Our congregation always does such a great job! The goal is 125 boxes between now and November 6th, 2021. Information about the Shoebox program was in the September Redbud, and will be updated as the "in-house" building starts to take place. **DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE ONLINE SHOEBOX BUILDING AT OUR WEBSITE- [www.fpcmh.net](http://www.fpcmh.net)! You can start now!!**

### FOOD BASKET

Food items are always needed for the Mountain Home Food Basket. You may bring any non-perishable food items and place them in the baskets in the Narthex.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

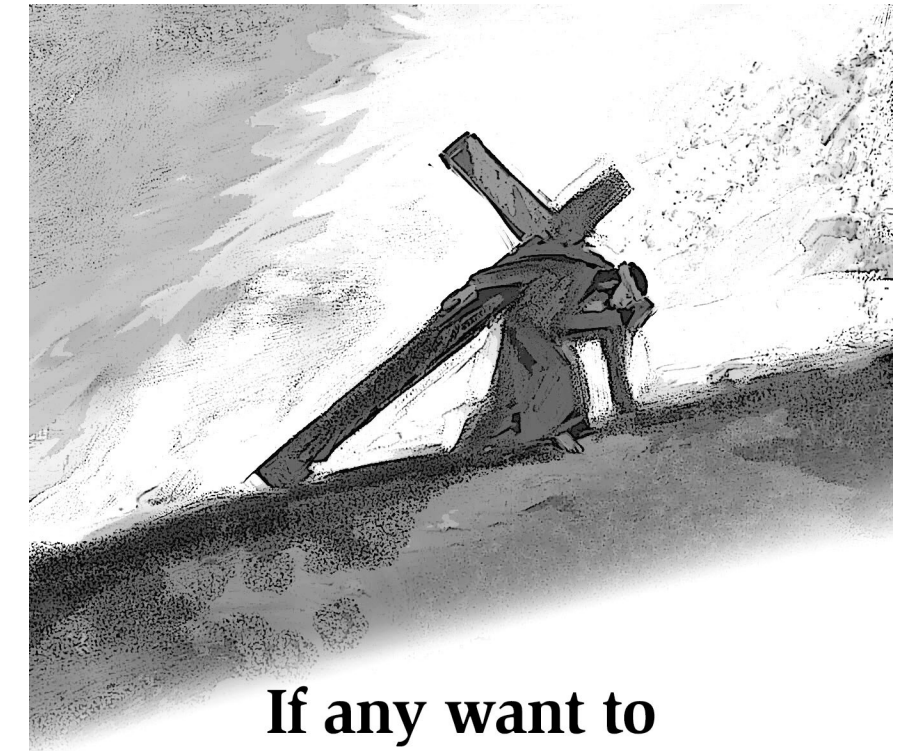


*If you have a prayer concern/request please contact Marilyn Wheat at 870-425-5148 or email at [wheatnotes@suddenlink.net](mailto:wheatnotes@suddenlink.net) who coordinates our Prayer Chain ministry. Please indicate who the prayer request is from when making the request. If you or anyone you know is entering the hospital please contact Pastor Clark at 316-648-9238 (cell) or the church office at 870-425-3799. Or, you may contact Marty Hasty, moderator of the Deacons at 309-224-0790.*

### Mission Statement

**First Presbyterian Church  
Mountain Home, Arkansas**

**Our mission is to glorify God, reach out to people of all ages and in all levels of spiritual growth in worship, Christian education, music and fellowship. Trumpet the good news we share of God's love and forgiveness, of Jesus Christ and his gospel to people everywhere throughout the local church community and the world.**



**If any want to  
become my followers,  
let them deny themselves  
and take up their cross  
and follow me.**

Mark 8:34, NRSV

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September 12, 2021

# Order of Worship

September 12, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## THE PRELUDE “Variations on Laudate Dominum”

“Praise Ye The Lord” Perry/Lowenberg

*(This is a time for quiet meditation and preparation for worship)*

## WELCOME Rev. Mike Clark

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Mike Clark

Leader: Rejoice with me, people of God.

People: **God has gathered us in from the wilderness.**

Leader: Rejoice with me, people of God.

People: **God has swept away the darkness of the night.**

Leader: Rejoice with me, people of God.

People: **Today, there is joy in the presence of the angels.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY Rev. Mike Clark

*(Please stand, as able)*

**GATHERING HYMN** # 288  
“I Sing The Mighty Power of God”

*(Please be seated)*

## FIRST READING

*Isaiah 50:4-9a*  
Mary Smith, Lay Reader

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Rev. Mike Clark)

Leader: O, Lord forgive your foolish people. We are skilled in doing evil, but we do not know how to do good. Create in us a clean heart, O God;

People: **put a new and right spirit within us.**

Leader: In the folly of our hearts we live as though there is no God. Create in us a clean heart, O God;

Leader: We forget all that you have done for us, and make false idols to be our gods. Create in us a clean heart, O God.

People: **put a new and right spirit within us.**

Leader: We act faithlessly, violently, and scorn your name. Create in us a clean heart, O God.

People: **put a new and right spirit within us.**  
*(silent confession)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. Mike Clark

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand, as able)*

## THE GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Psalm 116:1-9* Mary Smith, Lay Reader

## OUR OFFERINGS

*(Please stand, as able)*

## THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON) Mary Smith

**We rejoice and give you thanks, O God, for the lost have been found, sinners have received mercy, and the dead have been restored to life. Send us out in your service to tend your sheep and show the riches of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## SCRIPTURE READING

*James 3:1-12*  
Mary Smith, Lay Reader

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Mike Clark

## THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN #302 “I Danced in the Morning”

THE GOSPEL *Mark 8:27-38*  
Rev. Mike Clark

MESSAGE Rev. Mike Clark

*(Please stand, as able)*

**THIS WE BELIEVE (UNISON)** *(Apostles’ Creed Traditional)*

**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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mike Clark

BENEDICTION Rev. Mike Clark

POSTLUDE “Sortie in A”

Selected and edited by Orlando Mansfield

**THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IN THE SANCTUARY FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY.**

**Prayer List for Congregations, Presbytery of Arkansas 2021:**

Central, Pine Bluff (Organized 1910, Members— 92)  
Church Camp Ministries