

# Additional Liturgy for August 27, 2017

For: Tom Ball

Suggested Announcements (please edit as desired):

The Presbyterian Women's **VALLEY CLUSTER FALL GATHERING** will be held on Saturday, September 9, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at First Presbyterian Church-Mission. Workshops include "A Year of Biblical Womanhood", "Finding Faith Through Art", and Chair Yoga. Registration is \$6 through Sept. 1 and \$10 thereafter. To register, call or e-mail Kathy at 956-682-2836 or [fpcpastorkathy@gmail.com](mailto:fpcpastorkathy@gmail.com).

**COME AND SEE—WHERE JESUS INVITES US INTO LIFE.** FPC's "Rally Day 2017" will be Sunday, September 10. Following worship, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for brunch and information about the new curriculum program year at FPC. There's a lot of good stuff coming, so come and see. If you'd like to provide food for the meal, contact Cristina Garfield at 956-378-1650 or [cgg2313@aol.com](mailto:cgg2313@aol.com).

The Worship Calling is in need of **VOLUNTEERS FOR USHERS** during Sunday worship services. Normal attrition has left us short-handed. Ushers are organized into teams that rotate from month to month, so scheduling is flexible. Please volunteer by emailing Tom Ball at [tomasball@aol.com](mailto:tomasball@aol.com).

## Call to Confession

Secure in the promise of God's knowledge of us, and trusting in God's readiness to forgive, let us confess our sin.

# **Prayer for Illumination**

It's time to hear God's Word read and proclaimed. Let us pray:

Lord our God, your name and your word are exalted above everything. We are listening for your word; we are looking for your light. By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our minds and hearts so we may discern your will and respond in faith. We pray in the name of your Son, our Savior. Amen.

## **First Reading**

## ***Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17***

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>12</sup> As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup> Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup> Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## **Invitation to the Offering**

With gratitude for God's blessings, through the power at work in Christ Jesus, we gather now the gifts of the church for the sake of the gospel.

## **Offertory Prayer**

Compassionate God, we ask that you bless and multiply these gifts, that they may be used to proclaim the glory of your kingdom and make known to all people the power of your saving acts. Amen.