

## Early Service

**Teaching | Responding | Communing**

### Righteousness From God | Philippians 3:1-11

2 Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. 3 For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— 4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. 7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

#### Personal Reflection Question

Reflect on Jesus' gifts of forgiveness of your sins, your salvation, his resurrection power in you, and his presence in you. Which of these do you take for granted? How do these gifts bring you joy?

**Notes**

#### Upcoming:

Sunday 5/14 Mother's Day

Monday 5/16

4:00pm - Finals Week Study Night / North Atrium

Tuesday 5/16

6:30pm - Men's Tuesday Night Study Group / Room 015

Wednesday 5/17

10:00am - Morning MOPS / Nursery

5:30pm - Alpha Marriage Course / North Atrium

6:00pm - Adult Pickleball / Gym

6:30pm - Worship and Music Ministries Appreciation Dinner at Ocean Zen (*by invitation only*)

Thursday 5/18

11:00am - Prayer Team Meeting

Friday 5/19

12:00pm - Women's Table Talk Devotional Study / Room 114

#### Family Business

**Sundays at 9:45am, we have classes for all ages to encourage our growth as disciples You are welcome to join anytime!**

#### F&C MSU Exam Week Dinner and Study Space Calling F&C Volunteers

The Campus Ministry Committee is inviting college students to F&C for study space and a free dinner on **Monday, May 15 from 4 to 10 pm** at F&C. We love our F&C neighbors, and we want to care for MSU students during exam week! We are seeking assistance with:

- Baking cookies or other desserts and delivering them on **Monday, May 15** at 10:00 am (Please consider baking 2 dozen)
- Welcoming students in the south entrance when they arrive on May 15 during these shifts:
  - 4-6 pm
  - 6-8 pm
  - 8-10 pm
- Serving dinner in Fellowship Hall on May 15 from 6-7 pm
- Cleaning up after dinner on May 15 from 7-8 pm

Please call the church office at 862-5068 to let us know how you can serve in this min-istry opportunity.

#### More About F & C

**History Room** – First & Calvary Church is dedicated to preserving our historic past, and to that end, we maintain a History Room adjacent to the Stratman Library. The room contains paper and digital records of our congregation and mementos from the past, including photographs, china and silver used by the congregation in the past. Please contact the church office if you want to donate items or would like to make an appointment to visit and review our collection. 417-862-5068

If you are interested in learning more about First & Calvary Presbyterian Church, including how to become a Covenant Partner, contact Head Pastor Don Everts by calling the church office at 417-862-5068.

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# FIRST & CALVARY

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# Journey through Philippians

## May 7th, 2023



# Liturgical Service

## Prelude | Dr. Jim Davidson

### \*Call to Worship | Rev. Cooper McWhirther

Leader: The earth is the LORD’s and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;  
**All: for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.**  
Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?  
**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.**  
O magnify the LORD with me.  
**Let us exalt God’s name together!**  
—Psalm 24:1-4, NRSV

### \*Opening Hymn

*40 Let the Whole Creation Cry*  
Words: Stopford A. Brooke, 1881; para. of Psalm 148  
Music: Robert Williams, 1817; arr. John Roberts, 1837

### Confession of Sin

Almighty God,  
so many of King David’s psalms show a heart out of tune,  
sighing, crying, and breaking with sorrow,  
yet still clinging to faith in you.  
So too, O Lord, are our hearts.  
In Jesus Christ, you have given us what we need most:  
his cross makes our forgiveness possible,  
and his Spirit tunes our hearts again to sing your praises.  
Humbly we beg your pardon for our sins.  
Eagerly we plead your help  
to enthroned in our hearts David’s Son:  
Christ Jesus, King of the universe,  
our Savior and Lord.  
And with King David we declare our trust in your unfailing love. Amen.

### Hymn 817

*Hear Our Prayer*  
Words: Based on Psalm 143:1; Music: George Whelpton

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Remember these things, O Jacob,  
and Israel, for you are my servant;  
I formed you, you are my servant;  
O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.  
I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud,  
and your sins like mist;  
return to me, for I have redeemed you.  
—Isaiah 44:21-22, NRSV

Christian, be at peace and know you are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God!

### Hymn 805

*Glory Be to the Father*  
Words: Gloria Patri; Music: Henry Greatorex

### Time for Children | Chip Potts

*Jesus Loves Me*  
*Oh How I Love Jesus*

### Scripture | Philippians 3:1-11

*Please See Early Service Panel.*  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God!

### \*Anthem | Bell Choir; Dr. Jim Davidson, conductor

*Rondeau Fanfare*  
Music: Jean-Joseph Mouret  
Transcription: Martha L. Thompson

### Sermon | Rev. Jamie Swope

*Righteousness From God*

### Prayers of the People and 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.

### Invitation to Offering

*Feel free to use the offering plates or contact the church for online or direct deposit  
giving. Guests, please do not feel obligated.*

### Offertory | Bell Choir

*Outbursts of Joy*  
Music: Cythia Dobrinski

### \*Doxology

*Hymn 809*  
Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

### \*Offering Prayer

### \*Closing Hymn

*471 Nothing but the Blood of Jesus*  
Words and Music: Robert Lowry, 1876

### \*Benediction & Benediction Response

*471 Nothing but the Blood of Jesus, refrain*

### Postlude