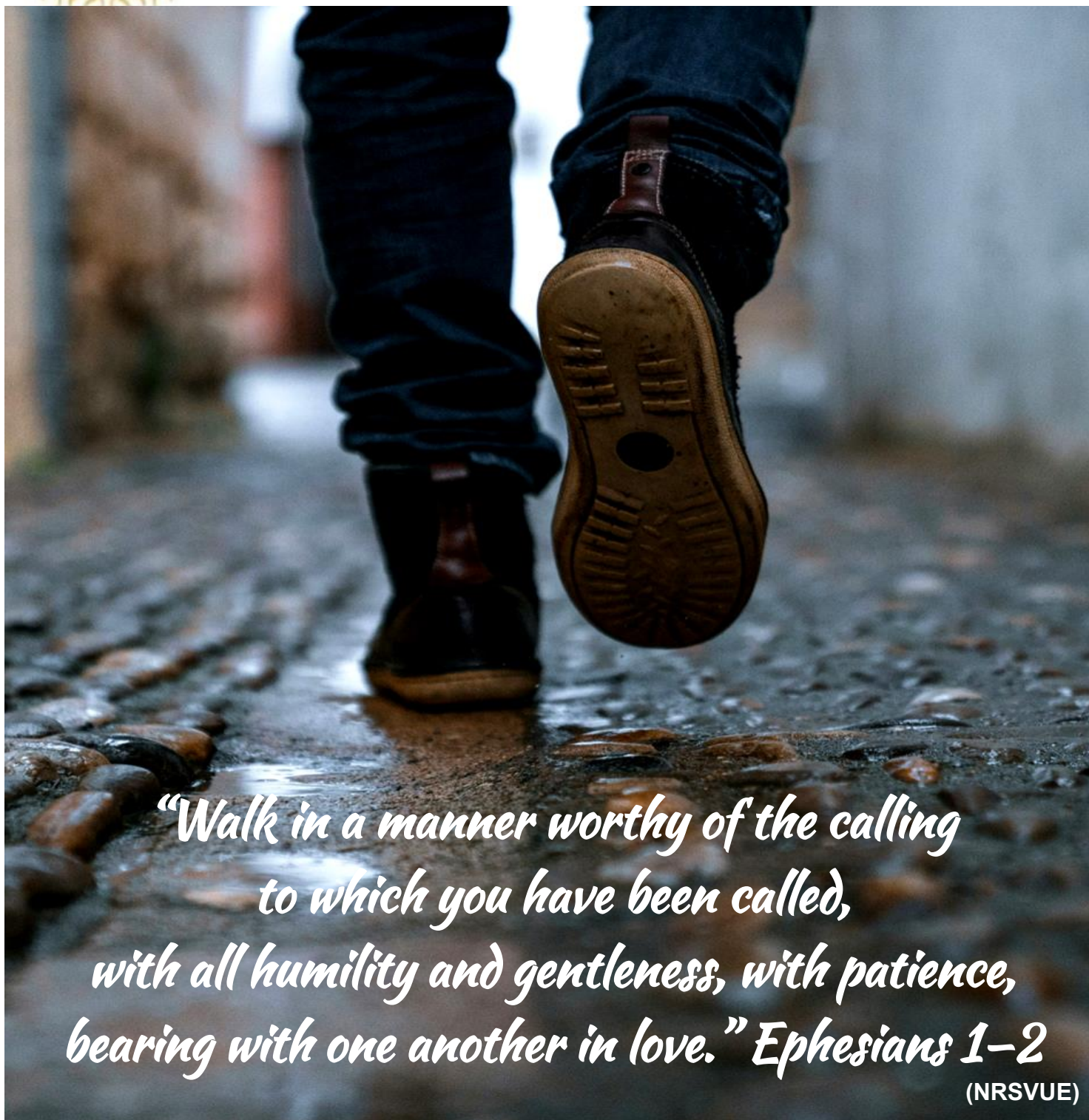




First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



*“Walk in a manner worthy of the calling
to which you have been called,
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,
bearing with one another in love.” Ephesians 1–2*

(NRSVUE)

July 14, 2024

*All of God's children are welcome in this space, wiggles and giggles included!
Please center yourself in God and silence all devices for worship.*

◆ Please stand if you are able.

Prelude Mary Dailey
Prelude Hymn 385 (vs, 1&2) "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" Congregation
Welcome & Announcements Pastor Murray
◆ Sharing the Peace Pastor Murray

Please share the Peace of Christ with your neighbor

Leader: God is Good! **People: All the Time!**
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◆ Call to Worship Dylan Plug

Leader: *We are gathered here not because we have seen fit to choose Christ,*
People: but because Christ has looked upon us, and called us to be his own.
Leader: *Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you are called:*
People: We gather as God's people to live a life that is grounded in the Spirit.
Leader: *Come! Come praise the eternal God!*
**People: Let all that is within us — body, emotions, mind, and will
— praise God's holy name!**
Leader: *So come! Come, praise the eternal God!*
**People: We will sing songs from a grateful heart, and remember
all that God has done for us.**

◆ Hymn 749 "We Are Called" Congregation

Prayer for Illumination Dylan Plug

◆ Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-7 (NRSVUE)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Confession, In Unison Dylan Plug

(silent prayer) **Almighty and Holy God, we believe it is your will that all your children are one in Christ. There are times we have failed to make this true. Forgive us when we allow pride to blind us; or our lack of faith to stop us where we stand. Deliver us from our prejudices and our bitterness. Teach us to recognize the gifts of grace in all your children and to give faithful witness to Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn 551 "Lord, Have Mercy" Congregation
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Sharing of God's Love and Forgiveness

Leader: Hear the Good News! God is breathing, living, forgiving, restoring you in this moment, and always. Believe the Good News!

People: If God is for us, we can live and work so others may know Christ's love, hope and joy are life-giving.

Leader: Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

Children are invited to come forward as we sing "Glory Be to the Father"

◆ Hymn 581 "Glory Be to the Father" Congregation
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.

Children's Sermon and Prayer Pastor Winslow

Ministry of Music Hymn 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can use Me" Congregation

Scripture: Judges 16:4-6, 15-21 (The Message) Pastor Murray
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: God is still speaking.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Message "Samson" Pastor Murray
Sermon Series: Faith Leaders of the Old Testament

Hymn 331 "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" Congregation

RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

Offering Pastor Murray
Offertory Hymn 710 "We Are an Offering" Congregation
◆ Hymn 606 Congregation
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. Amen.

◆ Prayer of Dedication Pastor Murray

◆ Affirmation of Faith (Matthew 16:16, 1 Corinthians 15:1-6, Revelation 22:13) Congregation
This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:

**That Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,
That he was buried,
That he was raised on the third day,
And, that he appeared, first to the women,
Then to Peter, and to the Twelve,
And then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

Minute for Mission Whiz Kids Ashley Weldon & Loretta Davis
Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer Pastor Winslow

...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.

◆ Hymn 720(vs. 1,2&4) "Jesus Calls Us" Congregation

CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD

◆ Benediction Pastor Murray

Postlude Mary Dailey

Place your prayer request cards in the offering plate or in the box in Chandler Hall.

PARTICIPANTS

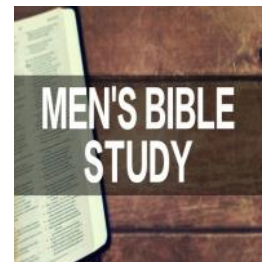
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Join in the fellowship and study

2 studies that alternate every other Monday between a morning study and an evening study. Morning Study 7:00am * Evening Study 6:30 pm Contact Scott Chandler for morning information. scott@franklincourtpartners.com or 303-888-0132



July Calendar of Events

July 20: Game Night 6-8:30pm—Please RSVP by July 15
July 22: Adventures with the Grandparents 9am—Noon
July 22 – August 2: Elinor's vacation time—Due to unforeseen circumstances, a volunteer is needed for July 30, Aug. 1 & Aug. 2. Please call the office if you are able to help out. 303.798.1389.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell 385

(Psalm 100)

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good; his mer - cy

Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make; we are his folk; he
 joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times

praise forth tell. Come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.



Adult & Children's Sunday School

Arrive at 8:45 am for a light breakfast! Classes start at 9:00am

- Adult Sunday School series--"Faith Leaders of the Old Testament" Class follows along with the Sermon Series in worship. We will explore the situation and actions of a Faith Leader from the Old Testament. This person will not always act in faithful ways, but we will see how God's grace and actions were at work in, through, and, sometimes in spite of, the person.
- Children's class will be held in the Sunday School room on the Windermere level.

749

Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,



to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and



free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

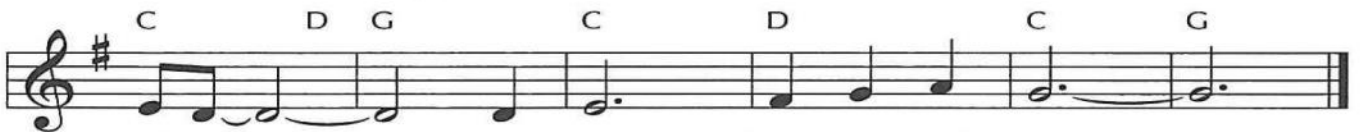
Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so)
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord,
 (my Lord,) an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

This hymn was generated by 19th-century centennial celebrations: the words by the Declaration of Independence and the music by the adoption of the United States Constitution. Despite these origins, no specific nation is mentioned in this hymn of praise and prayer for peace.

We Lift Our Voices

710

We Are an Offering

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of nine staves of music. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering." The score includes various musical notations such as treble clef, 4/4 time signature, and various chords (F, C, Dm7, G7, Em7, Asus, A, F, G, Esus, E, Am, Bb, Dm). There are also triplets and rests indicated.

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our
lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our
voic - es; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our
lives; they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we
give to you, we give to you. We lift our
voic - es; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing; we are an of-fer-ing.



Please pick up your loaned VBS items as soon as you can. We will soon be collecting used books for the Western Welcome Week book sale and need the storage space. Thank you. Items will be donated to Arc if they are not picked up.

Jesus Calls Us

720

1 Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 3 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 4 Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -

sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Staff

For Contact information call the church office. 303-798-1389

- ⇒ Pastor Jonathan Murray, Minister of Word and Sacrament
- ⇒ Pastor Blakeley Winslow, Pastor of Christian Discipleship
- ⇒ Mary Dailey, Director of Worship Arts
- ⇒ Karen Meersman, Director of Handbells & Children/Youth Music
- ⇒ Elinor Packard, Office Administrator
- ⇒ Joan Lund, Financial Secretary
- ⇒ Tracy Eidson, Child Care

MARK YOUR CALENDARS & JOIN US FOR
F.P.C.L.'S INTER-GENERATIONAL



GAME NIGHT FELLOWSHIP



EXTRAVAGANZA!!

**Join us in celebrating summer with
game night fun, frivolity, and FPCL fellowship!!**

WHEN: Saturday, July 20, 2024 6 – 8 p.m. (eat dinner beforehand!)

NEW!! PLEASE RSVP BY JULY 15th 303-798-1389 or fpcl@fpcl.org

WHERE: Ficklin Hall

PLEASE BRING:

1. your favorite games, cards, etc...
2. self-contained "finger foods" snacks
(bag of popcorn, brownies, bowl of chips, fruit, veggies, etc.)
& / OR
chilled juice boxes/pouches or cans of soda (water is good, too!)
3. Optional – fun items (for all ages) for the **BUNCO** prize table!!



Questions / RSVP (by July 15th):

E-mail Elinor in the FPCL office at fpcl@fpcl.org

or call 303-798-1389

and leave your RSVP message with Elinor

Leadership

Elders: Trey McDowell-Clerk of Session, Maggie Ashworth, Jan Hole, David LeMay, Don Meersman, Rick Wilson, Sue Chandler and Beth Opperman

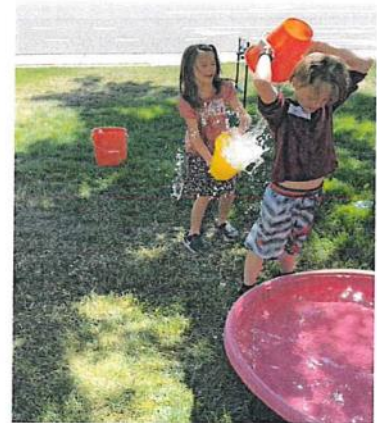
Presbytery Commissioners: Rick Wilson and Kathy McDaniel

Deacons: Joy Carreño, Becky Gibson, Cheryl Baughman, Kathy Frear, Julie Johnston, Jess Karet, Jennie Staritzky and Deb Graham



Adventures with the Grandparents!

A free summer program developed to foster relationships between grandparents and their grandchildren ages 4-11 yrs with games, snacks, crafts, conversation and visits from community friends!



Join us on Monday, July 22 from 0900-11:30am
for our next fun time together
learning all about the
American Flag with Boy Scout Troop 444!

Sponsored by and Hosted at:
First Presbyterian Church of Littleton
1609 W Littleton Blvd
Littleton, CO 80120

Please RSVP by Friday, July 19
Register at FPCL.org or by calling 720-353-1801

Only 20 spots available!

****Save the date for our final gathering for summer 2024!**** Monday, Aug 5

**Please put your used book donations
in the Welcome Center**

Puzzles, Games, DVDs, CDs are also wanted!



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