

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

*Closing Hymn *Crown Him with Many Crowns* #295

*Benediction

Postlude *Morning Song* Arr. Joseph Martin



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Organist	Marilyn Fry
Nursery	Carol Michenzi

First Presbyterian Church is Reformed congregation and a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. For more information about First Presbyterian and the EPC denomination, visit our website and Facebook page.

If you have any questions, prayer requests, or are ready and excited to join our mission to reach all of Casper for Christ, contact the church office or Pastor Mark.

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Welcome to our Visitors

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come -- this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are glad you are here to worship with us this morning! The pamphlet in the pew pocket will help you get to know our church better, and please fill out and return the visitor form also so that we can get to know you. We have fellowship and refreshments after the service in the parlor, which is through the doors at the front of the sanctuary.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone around you for directions. Activity bags are also available in the rear of the sanctuary for children to use during the service.

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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

**Please stand if you are able*

Prelude *How Firm a Foundation* Joseph Funk

Welcome and Announcements

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

***Call to Worship** (From Psalm 15)

Leader: O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?

People: **He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart;**

Leader: who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the LORD; who swears to his own hurt and does not change;

Unison: **who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved. Let us worship the Lord who calls us to righteous living and loves us even when we fail.**

***Opening Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* #38

***Invocation**

***Singing of Psalm 89:38-52** (To the tune of *Ode to Joy*)

Yet You have cut off, rejected; Your Anointed knows Your wrath. You've defiled Your servant's cov'nant, You have thrown his crown to earth. You have broken down his fences, Brought his strongholds to the ground. All who pass by have him plundered. He's the jest of nations near.	How long, LORD? Will You hide always? Your wrath ever burn like fire? O recall how short my life is; Have You made all men for naught? Who alive is free from dying? Who the grave's power will escape? Lord, where is Your cov'nant promise You to David swore in truth?
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You his foes have raised in power, Made his enemies rejoice. You have made his sword turn backwards, You've not strengthened him to fight. You've deprived him of his glory, Cast his throne down to the ground. Old before his time You've made him, You have covered him with shame.	Lord, remember all the insults Which Your servants bear for You. In my heart I bear the insults Taunting nations cast on them. Insults, LORD, for Your Anointed, Mocking ev'ry step he takes. Yet, LORD You are ever blessed, So I say, Amen! Amen!
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GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

Ten Commandments (in unison)

Ten Commandments Table I (Exodus 20:1-11) Pew Bible [Blue] p. 61, [Red] p. 77

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of our future: you are coming in power to bring nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom. We have lived casual lives and ignored your promised judgment. Judge us, O God, for we have been slow to serve you. Forgive us, for the sake of your faithful servant Jesus, our Savior, whose triumph we want and eagerly wait for.

(Silent Confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the

Gospel -- in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God for his grace!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gloria Patri

#735

Anthem

GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture

Luke 9:7-9, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 866, [Red] p. 1102

Sermon

Confuzzled

Mark Tippin

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

***Hymn of Response**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

#32

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

I am His, and He Is Mine

James Mountain

***Doxology**

#731

***Confession of Faith** – Westminster Confession 12.2 (in unison)

God has all life, glory, goodness, and blessedness in and of himself. He alone is all-sufficient in and unto himself, nor does he need any of his creations or derive any glory from them. Rather, he manifests his own glory in, by, unto, and on them. He is the only source of all being, by whom, through whom, and to whom everything exists. He has completely sovereign dominion over all things and does with, to, or for them whatever he pleases. Everything is revealed and completely open to him. His knowledge is infinite, infallible, and does not depend on any created being, so that to him nothing is conditional or uncertain. He is completely holy in all his purposes, works, and commands. To him is due whatever worship, service, or obedience he is pleased to require from angels, human beings, and all other creatures.