



<sup>9</sup> The commandments... are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>10</sup> Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

**Romans 13:9-10**

**Sunday, September 28, 2025**

*Please be seated, silence all devices, and prepare yourself for worship.  
All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!*

◆ **PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

PRELUDE

PRELUDE HYMN 518

*Lamb of God*

Mary Dailey  
Congregation

~~~ **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE** ~~~

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Murray

◆ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*The Peace of Christ be with you!*      **And also with you!**

◆ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Scott C

*What is the first and greatest commandment?*

**We will love the Lord our God with all we are.**

*And a second is like it.*

**We will love our neighbors as ourselves.**

*We are gathered together to express our love to God and to our neighbors,*

**We will worship God with heart, soul, mind, and strength!**

◆ **HYMN 462**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

Congregation

***Children are invited forward as we sing the final verse***

~~~ LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD ~~~

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Anything Through Christ

Women’s Ensemble

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Scott C

SCRIPTURE Romans 13:8-11 (NRSVUE)

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

Scott C

PRAYER OF CONFESSION    (*we begin in silent confession and then pray together*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We hold back forgiveness, cling to grudges, and overlook those in need of compassion.**

**Forgive us, O God. Turn our hearts to your way of love, so that we may live as your faithful disciples, following Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

HYMN 551

*LORD, HAVE MERCY*

Congregation

*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*

SHARING GOD’S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

Scott C

*...Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

**We will be at peace, and we will seek to live in love**

◆ 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.*

~~~ PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD ~~~

◆ GOSPEL Mark 12:28-34 (NRSVUE)

*This is the Word of the Lord.*      **God is still speaking.**

Pastor Murray

MESSAGE

Pastor Murray and Gilbert K

*To Love a Neighbor*

Sermon Series: *Love In Action*

HYMN 693

*The Gift of Love*

Congregation

~~~ RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD ~~~

CALL OF THE OFFERING

Pastor Murray

OFFERTORY

Mary Dailey

◆ HYMN 606

DOXOLOGY

Congregation

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

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Murray

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Pastor Winslow

◆ HYMN 547

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

Congregation

~~~ CARRYING GOD’S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD’S WORLD ~~~

Question: What does it look like in your daily life to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength — and how does that overflow into loving your neighbor?

Today’s Service

|           |                                  |
|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Music     | Mary Dailey and Women’s Ensemble |
| Liturgist | Scott C                          |
| Trustee   | Trey M                           |
| Ushers    | Connie S                         |
| Image     | Instagram                        |

*\*Prayer cards may be placed on the offering plate or in the box in Chandler Hall.*

The flowers in the Sanctuary are in honor of Jim and Lynda Kizer’s 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations to the beautiful couple!

We need 5 more tutors for  
Our Whiz Kids Tutoring Program at FPCL.

Students are in grades 1 through 5 and need one-to-one help with homework, math, and reading.  
**We meet once a week on Thursdays from 4:00-5:30 October through April.**  
Please contact Loretta D with questions or to volunteer.  
On behalf of the kids, thank you!



**Second Thursday of each month at 1pm in Ayers’ Parlor** or Zoom in with us if you can’t make it to church. Contact Janice F if you have any questions or want to join us.  
Here’s what we are reading next:

**For October 9**  
*A Calamity of Souls*, by David Baldacci

**For November 13**  
*The Lady and the Unicorn*, by Tracy Chevalier

**For December 11**  
no book, just a Christmas potluck lunch get-together!



**Tuesday Evening Women’s Bible Study every Tuesday from 7-8:15**  
Please contact co-leaders Sue C and Janice F for more information.  
**Wednesday Morning Women’s Bible Study every Wednesday from 10-11:30**  
Please contact co-leaders Joy C or Karla F with questions or to RSVP.



Open Door

**Circle** will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30.

All women are welcome. Please call Hedy L with any questions.

### ***Blessing of the Pets***

*All are Welcome to attend Our Blessing of the Pets*

*Please meet us at Wynetka Ponds Dog Park*

*5875 S. Lowell Blvd. CO. 80123*

*on Saturday, October 4th from 9:00-10:30am*

*And*

*At First Presbyterian Church in Littleton*

*1609 W. Littleton Blvd. CO. 80120*

*on Saturday, October 4th from 11:00-12:00pm*

### **PLEASE COME TODAY**

Join G from *Love with Actions* today for a light lunch and a viewing of the LWA movie upstairs in the youth room.

See you upstairs!

## **Sunday Bible Study October 5**

Bible Study is on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, following worship. Bring a 'brown bag' lunch and join us as we discuss God's Word to us. Both children and Adult Sunday Bible Study will meet, starting in Ficklin Hall for lunch.

### ***September's RightNow Media picks***

All content from RightNow Media is accessible for you to conveniently enjoy from your computer or mobile device. Your account is already paid for through FPCL, so all you have to do is sign up here: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/fpcl>

If you have any trouble creating your account, or accessing content, please contact Pastor Blakeley for assistance!

**For youth: "Not a fan—teen edition":** This study, based on Pastor Kyle Idleman's best-selling book, will challenge teens to re-think the reality of their relationship to Jesus, and consider whether they are a committed follower of Christ, or just a "fan".

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/187042>

**General audience: "40 verses to ignite your faith":** Following from our recent "Scripture shapes us" sermon series, this is an opportunity to discover a number of lesser-known Bible verses, which can help you to navigate through all the different seasons of life. Led by Laurie Short. <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/338075>

**For grandparents: "Shepherding your grandchildren":** 12:2 Take this study to learn more about how you can be a godly influence on your grandchildren, and help in the creation of a spiritual legacy that will bless their entire lives"

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/914654>



**To our friends and neighbors, FPCL will be offering community assistance on Tuesdays only, from 10am to 1pm. We are doing this in an effort to ensure that we can maintain enough supplies to help as many people as possible. Thank you for your understanding!**

**Volunteers:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0449A9AF2EAAFC1-55790041-welcome#/>

Church Office: 303-798-1389; [fpcl@fpcl.org](mailto:fpcl@fpcl.org)  
Pastoral Care Emergency Line: 720-662-7277

Staff Schedule:

Pastor Jonathan Murray, Minister of Word and Sacrament -----Tue. & Thu. 9-2, or by appt.

Pastor Blakeley Winslow, Pastor of Christian Discipleship-----Mon. 9:30-2:30; Tue. 1- 4:30;  
Wed. 10-3:30 or by appt.

Lydia Cooper, Office Manager-----Tue.-Thu. 9-2

Mary Dailey, Director of Worship Arts

Karen A. Meersman, Director of Handbells & Children/Youth Music

Joan Lund, Financial Secretary

Tracy Eidson, Child Care

Worship Focus

“What Disciples Do:\_\_\_\_\_” is the sermon series that  
will carry us from October-November.

October 5: Follow Jesus – Matthew 4:18-22 [*World Communion Sunday*]

October 12: Pray – Luke 11:1-13 *Bells*

October 19: Deny Ourselves – Luke 9:23-25

October 26: Wrestle with Scripture/Faith – John 6:47-69 [*Reformation Day*]

November 2: Commune – Acts 2:42-49 [*All Saints’ Day*]

Mission Statement:

We Believe the Good News that all of Littleton is called Beloved by Jesus Christ and  
together we Belong to God’s Kingdom.

