



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, October 7 2018, 10:30 A.M.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Worship begins when the first person arrives. Please worship silently through the prelude.

The congregation reads or sings parts in bold.

*Please stand if able

In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.

We express gratitude that through God's grace and Christ's giving of himself on the cross we are forgiven and restored to God and one another.

The Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.

We invite young children to come to the front at this time.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Today's Scripture passages reveal to us the majestic divinity and intimate humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ. The letter to the Hebrews describes how Jesus left his glory in heaven to come and walk alongside us, tasting the fullness of human suffering. His atoning death and resurrection enable us to become his brothers and sisters, united in one body of faith as children of God. In Mark's Gospel Jesus himself invites us to become as little children. It is by this example of childlike dependence that we are shown how faith in Jesus is the way to eternal life and the Kingdom of God.

PRELUDE

Chorale-Prelude on "St. Peter"
(In Christ There Is No East or West)
Let Us Break Bread Together

Harold Darke

Raymond Haan

WORDS OF WELCOME

(Please circulate the friendship forms found in the aisle seats.)

Rev. Robert Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist Kathy Malesick

L: *This is the day that the Lord has made.*
P: **Let us rejoice and make peace in it.**
L: *This is the hour that the Lord has made.*
P: **Let us rejoice and make peace in it.**
L: *This is the church that the Lord has made.*
P: **Let us rejoice and make peace in it.**
L: *This is the earth that the Lord has made.*
P: **We will rejoice and make peace in it!**

*HYMN 516

Lord, We Have Come at your Own Invitation

O QUANTA QUALIA

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Great God of peace, we confess the ways we have sought division rather than reconciliation. We are too fond of our doors and fences and all manner of things that keep family from family, neighbor from neighbor, human from human. We have sinned and we are sorry. Teach us to live as peacemakers, as bridge builders, as members of your beloved community, gathered together in the love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

L: *Friends, believe the good news.*
P: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*Gloria Patri - 579

*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 and Amen.*

*Passing the Peace and Greetings

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kirsten Trachsel

(Children are encouraged to go downstairs for Children's Church following the Children's Moment.)

CHORAL ANTHEM

Many Colors Paint the Rainbow

Roy Hopp

Many colors paint the rainbow arching over land and sea; Many colors form the fabric of our human tapestry. God, with joy and hope you made us by a pattern you had planned, Weaving varied threads together with a skilled and loving hand. Many people bring their treasures, as those kings who traveled far, Drawn from all earth's scattered places, back to Christ, the Morning Star. All may offer gifts to others, and from them receive in turn. In the gathering of nations, help us God, to teach and learn. Many faces round the Table wait for Christ, the Risen Lord; For he comes with love to meet us, in the Loaf, the Cup, the Word. All are welcomed, none rejected, bound by Christ in unity, Naming others sisters, brothers, in a worldwide family. Many voices sing God's praises in a language all their own, Tongues confused at Babel's Tower now are joined around God's throne. Free our hearts of hate and discord, till our lives in concert blend. "Alleluia! Alleluia!" be our anthem without end.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Come, O Holy Spirit, and open our hearts to your word. Open our ears to your Wisdom as she sings to us of your goodness. Open our mouths so that we may breathe in your hope and breathe out your love. Open our minds that we might be challenged by your call. Open us up, so that we may be opened up for the sake of the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURES Hebrews 1: 1-4 (page 218 in pew Bible)
Mark 10: 2-16 (page 46 in pew Bible)

Liturgist Malesick
Rev. Martin

L. This is the Word of the Lord!

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Let the Little Children Come to Me

Rev. Robert Martin

*HYMN 304

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION (NAMI)

Adrienne Nagy

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Choral Response

Rev. Martin

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

O Day of Peace

Charles Callahan

***Doxology - 592** 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 (in unison)

God of hope, we bring our offerings of peace before you, trusting that you will use them toward the work of shalom, the work of peace and wellbeing for all people. Make us faithful witnesses in all times and in all ways to the peace found in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation to the Table

The Eucharistic Prayer

L: The Lord be with you,

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts;

P: We lift them to the Lord.

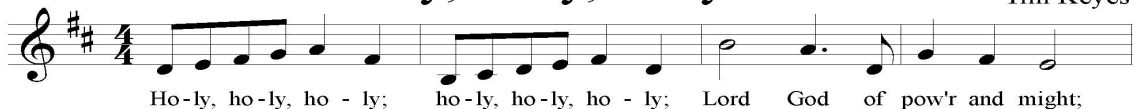
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

L:Therefore with our parents in faith, from every time and place, we sing the fullness of your witness to your world saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Tim Keyes



On behalf of the congregation, the Pastor expresses the corporate prayers of the congregation. These prayers are for world, local and personal concerns.

Doxology literally means "words of glory." Doxologies have long been used by Jews and Christians to praise God. Here we honor and thank God "from whom all blessings flow."

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 now and forever. Amen.

Worshipping With Children

- * AFPC welcomes children in the worship service, whether in the pews or in the Children's Corner.
- * Nursery is available for infant thru age six downstairs.
- * Please tell childcare staff about any allergies.
- * Bathrooms are located at the top of the stairs to the overflow area and in Fellowship Hall.
- * Changing tables are located in the nursery and upstairs restroom.
- * All children are welcome to attend the church service with their families or the childcare staff until after the Children's Moment.
- * Ages Pre-K through 6th are invited to Sunday School downstairs following the children's moment.

You can watch a broadcast of FPC Worship service on Athens Community Television.

Schedule

*9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
Monday through Friday
and
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday.*

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Closing Prayer (in unison)

Compassionate God, you have met us in these acts at this table. In this sacrament we receive strength to walk with all your children in peace, and witness to the truth of your reconciliation and love. Amen

***HYMN 508**

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

KINGDOM

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Choral Response

***POSTLUDE**

Dialogue

Gilbert Martin

TODAY'S Peacemaking Offering

The Peacemaking Offering (Peace & Global Witness Offering) is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday. A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

SATURDAY

(see today's insert)

Fall Canoe Outing on Dow Lake

FPC's annual summer canoe event was cancelled due to rain, but we won't let that stop us from enjoying God's amazing world from the water! Mark your calendars, **Saturday, October 13th**, for canoes and fall foliage. On that afternoon we will meet at Dow Lake for fellowship, food, and canoes! Forms are in today's bulletin.

NEXT SUNDAY

Chili Cook Off

The challenge has been issued!!

Who has the best chili? The Church Community Committee challenges everyone to try to come up with a prize winning chili. Sign up to make chili for Sunday, October 14th following worship. You will be a judge! To enter, simply make enough of your favorite chili to feed at least eight people. There will be cups placed in front of each chili into which you can place your money to vote for your favorite chili. It is asked that a list of ingredients of your chili is provided, (for those who may have a food allergy), but no names of who made the chili. Sign up as an individual or as a group to make chili and win the prize of this year's "best chili." (See last page for info on Rural Action and the Zero Waste Pledge.)

The purpose is to raise funds for FPC various mission opportunities.

Bring your appetite...the lunch is free.

Bring your friendsthe fun is entertaining, and delicious!

Sunday, October 21st

Pumpkin Decorating for ALL ages!

Minister: Rev. Robert E. Martin

CE Coordinator and Handbell Director: Kirsten Trachsel

Administrative Assistant: Jane Baker

Clerk of Session: Andrew Stuart

Organist: Janice Robison

Choir Director: David Tadlock

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Deacon of the Month - A friend to call in time of need - Harold Robison - hrobison@columbus.rr.com - 740-592-1450
Ushers - Martha Johnson and Wendy Toadvine Communion Prep - Helen King and Wendy Toadvine
Liturgist - Kathy Malesick Communion Servers - Harvey Ballard, Mary Costello, Pam Harvey, Martha Johnson, Harold Robison, Andrew Stuart and Andrew Trachsel

Church Activities for the Week

SUNDAY, 7th - World Communion/Peacemaking Sunday

9:00 A.M. - Women of Faith Book study, library
9:45 A.M. - Chancel Choir rehearsal, choir room
10:00 A.M. - Children's chime choir rehearsal, classroom 3
10:30 A.M. - Communion, Peacemaking Offering and Minute for Mission during Worship and Children's Church, Sanctuary and classrooms
11:30 A.M. - Children's crafts, classroom 3
11:30 A.M. - Coffee and Fellowship, fellowship hall
11:30 A.M.-Noon - Trail mix assembly, fellowship hall
2:00 P.M. - CROP Walk - bike path, Peden Stadium
(see next column and today's insert)

MON., 8th - Noon - Al-Anon, library

5:45-8:30 P.M. - Calliope choir rehearsal, fellowship hall

TUES., 9th - Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team meeting, home of Mary Jane Black, 13 Warwick Lane

11:30 A.M. - Presbyterian Women's "Out to Lunch," Applebees restaurant

Noon - Bible study, library

WED., 10th - 7:00 A.M. - AA, library

Noon - Women of Faith Book study, library
6:00 P.M. - Bell choir rehearsal, bell choir room
7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary

THURS., 11th - 10:00 A.M. - Staff and Worship Committee meeting, Putnam House

11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. - College lunch and fellowship, kitchen and fellowship hall
1:00 P.M. - Finance Committee meeting, Putnam House
2:00 P.M. - Zero Waste Audit, Church
3:00 P.M. - Property Committee meeting, Putnam House
7:00 P.M. - Board of Deacons meeting, library

SAT., 13th - 2:30 P.M. - Canoeing, Stroud's Run

SUNDAY, October 14th

9:00 A.M. - Women of Faith Book study, library
9:45 A.M. - Chancel Choir rehearsal, choir room
10:00 A.M. - Children's chime choir rehearsal, classroom 3
10:30 A.M. - Bell choir during Worship and Children's Church, Sanctuary and classrooms
11:30 A.M. - Children's crafts, classroom 3
11:30 A.M. - Chili Cook off (see pg 3) and Zero Waste informal discussion (see next column), fellowship hall
1:00-1:30 P.M. - Lindley Inn hymn sing, The Plains

THIS AFTERNOON - CROP Walk - Today, 2:00 p.m. -

Walkers walk the bike path beginning at Peden Stadium, and will join other walkers to raise funds for Church World Service. CWS provides disaster relief all over the world. Walkers for FPC are Margaret Bourke, Helen King, Danny Moates, Janice Robison, and Keith Wiens. **Make a heartfelt donation to a walker!** Children are welcome! A Community Center near the start of the walk will provide activities for young people, so please invite your kids to come to the walk. Adult supervision will be provided.

NEXT SUNDAY - Chili Cook Off (see page 3 of bulletin) and Earth Justice Group

- Zero waste, what is that really? Come to the Chili cook-off next Sunday during the coffee and fellowship, and learn from Rural Action Zero Waste speakers about this topic and what's the commitment in signing the Zero Waste Pledge. Bring your questions and/or objects!

October 13th - Habitat For Humanity Scrap Metal Drive

- Saturday, October 13th from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at the county fairgrounds. All kinds of metal are welcome, though aluminum, copper, and brass are especially welcome. It's OK if wood/plastic is attached to the metal. Appliances, car engines, barn siding, lawn mowers, fencing, pots and pans, all are eligible.

October 16th - Going Deeper Bible Study

- The first study of the fall will be Tuesday, October 16th at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be served. This year's study will focus on individual books of the Bible, starting with the Psalms. (See October newsletter, page 9, for more information.) All are invited!

October 21st - Pumpkin Decorating for ALL ages

- Join FPC following the worship service on October 14th for pumpkin decorating. The pumpkins and the materials for pumpkin decorating will be provided. Decorating for one and all!

Pamphlets

- A new pamphlet on the history of the church's windows is available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall. This new history includes the stained-glass windows of the sanctuary, as well as the art-glass windows in the classrooms downstairs. It also includes information on some of the symbology found in the images.

Outreach/Mission Committee - Recovery House at the

Gathering Place - The Gathering Place is gearing up to open a new recovery house. This will be a residential facility to support individuals with a dual diagnosis (addiction/mental illness). There are still many items still needed related to furnishing, household and kitchen items. A list detailing the needs is posted on the Mission/Outreach bulletin board in fellowship hall. If you have any of these items to donate, please either contact: Carla Boyle (cehboyle@hotmail.com) or Mary Kneier (Gathering Place - mary@thegpathens.com)

Advent Devotional Writers Needed

- This year's Advent devotional will focus on the Star Gifts congregants received in August. Writers are encouraged to think about how their Star Gift word relates to the Advent season. Or, the a submission might focus on the Star Gift word and any challenges, spiritual growth, or new ideas that the word has generated. Devotional submissions are due by November 5th to Kirsten Trachsel. Please contact Kirsten Trachsel during fellowship or email to ktrachsel1@gmail.com - to sign-up as a writer.

Next Trail Mix assembly - October 28th