

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 9, 2019, 10:30 A.M.

Outdoor Service



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

**or God

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Fifty days after Easter, the church celebrates the festival of Pentecost. Echoing the ancient Jewish festival of Shavuot, which remembers God's giving of the law on Mount Sinai, Pentecost celebrates God's giving of the Holy Spirit, itself a fulfillment of ancient prophecy. In the Acts of the Apostles, the disciples are gathered in Jerusalem when the Holy Spirit descends upon them in tongues of flame. The disciples are given miraculous ability to speak in many languages, and boldly proclaim to the people that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord Jesus shall be saved.

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson

Bob Stewart & Ben Jordan

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Robert Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our creator.

P: In God's hands are the depths of the earth; and the heights of the mountains are his.

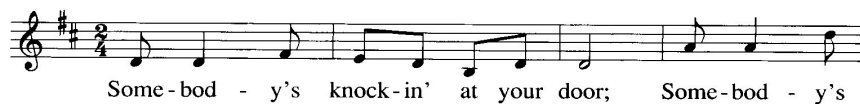
L: The sea belongs to the living God, and the dry land which his hands have formed. God is sovereign over creation. The earth belongs to God.

P: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our creator; for the Lord is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, the sheep of God's hand.

L: Let us worship God.

*HYMN

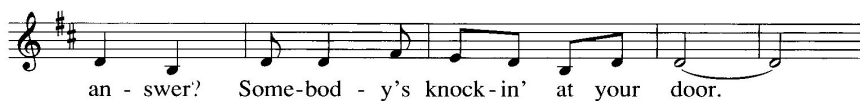
Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door



Some-bod - y's knock-in' at your door; Some-bod - y's



knock-in' at your door; O sin - ner, why don't you



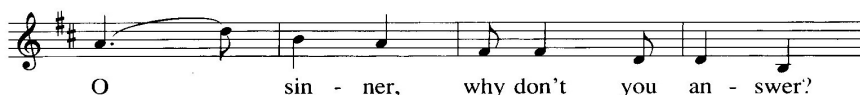
an - swer? Some-bod - y's knock-in' at your door.



1. Knocks like Je - sus,
2. Can't you hear him?
3. Je - sus calls you, Some-bod - y's knock-in' at your door.
4. Can't you trust him?



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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.

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.

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.

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

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

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."

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples, creating bold tongues, open hearts, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Get Together
Bob Stewart & Ben Jordan

Chester Powers

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Holy Spirit, sent by the God, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, and come now to illuminate your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SCRIPTURE Romans 8:18-25
Acts 2:1-21

L. This is the Word of the Lord!

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Earth is the Lord's

Rev. Robert Martin

***HYMN - See Insert**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION (Earth Day)

Lee Gregg

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Martin

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

Seek Ye First

Bob Stewart & Ben Jordan

***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)

O God, bless these gifts that we have given as expressions of our love for you and our neighbors, that they may bring closer to fulfillment your reign of peace and love; through Jesus Christ, our brother and our Savior. Amen.

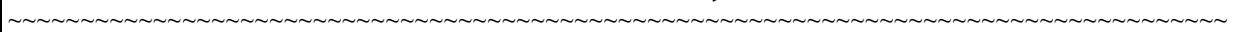
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I've Got Peace Like a River

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Bob Stewart & Ben Jordan



All-Church Potluck Picnic
Follows TODAY's Worship Service

Drinks, cold cuts, cheeses, bread and buns are provided.

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**Genesis Theater "Quilters"**  
**Performance Schedule**

**Evenings at 7:30 p.m.**

Friday, June 14th and Saturday, June 15th

**Sunday Matinees at 2:30 p.m.**

Sunday, June 9th and Sunday, June 16th

Tickets

\$10.00 Adult/Student

\$5.00 Age 12 and under

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

1021 on your  
digital box

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

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Minister: Rev. Robert E. Martin
CE Coordinator and Handbell Director: Kirsten Trachsel
Administrative Assistant: Jane Baker

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Church Activities for the Week

SUNDAY, June 9th - Pentecost Sunday - Outdoor Worship Service and Annual Potluck Picnic
10:30 A.M. - Minute for Mission during Worship, Stroud's Run, Bulldog Shelter
Following the Worship Service - Annual potluck picnic, Stroud's Run, Bulldog Shelter (*see below*)

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**MON., 10th** - Noon - Al-Anon, library  
5:00 P.M. - Genesis "Quilters" dress rehearsal, Sanctuary

**TUES., 11th** - 11:30 A.M. - Presbyterian Women's "Out to Lunch," Bob Evans restaurant  
Noon - Bible study, library

**WED., 12th** - 7:00 A.M. - AA, library  
7:00 P.M. - OU "Under the Elms" concert, College Greet  
Following concert - Ice cream social, Putnam House front porch

**THURS., 13th** - 1:15 P.M. - Finance Committee meeting, Putnam House  
3:00 P.M. - Property Committee meeting, Putnam House  
7:00 P.M. - Board of Deacons meeting, library

**FRI., 14th** - 7:30 P.M. - Genesis "Quilters" performance, Sanctuary

**SAT., 15th** - 7:30 P.M. - Genesis "Quilters" performance, Sanctuary

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SUNDAY, 16th - Trinity Sunday/Fathers' Day
10:30 A.M. - Puppets during Worship, Sanctuary
Following Children's Moment - Children's Church, classrooms
11:30 A.M. - Coffee and Fellowship time, fellowship hall
1:00-1:30 P.M. - Lindley Inn hymn sing, The Plains
2:30 P.M. - Genesis "Quilters" final performance, Sanctuary

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**Genesis Theater "Quilters" Volunteer Opportunities** - Volunteers are needed in these areas: ticket sales at the door the days/evenings of the performances, collection and accounting from ticket sales; refreshment providers and servers. If you can help in any capacity, please sign up on the sheet on the FPC bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs. Thank you in advance for your help and participation.

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**Fellowship Hosts Volunteers** - Are you willing to host Fellowship Hour after the church service some Sunday? If so, please sign the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. During the week prior to your Sunday, you will receive a letter with full instructions. Simple snacks will be fine. No cooking skills required! Thank you!

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Ice Cream Socials after the "Under the Elms" Concerts - The Church Community Committee needs hosts/hostesses for the ice cream socials (held at Putnam House) that follow the OU "Under the Elms" Summer Concert Series on Wednesday evenings: June 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, and July 3rd. Here's the good part: there's nothing to buy or prepare at home. The task is simply to pick up a key from the church office, grab the ice cream from the church kitchen freezer, and clean up afterwards. The typical crowd is about twenty people but could be as many as forty. If you are willing to host on any of these occasions, please contact Anne Kemmerle at annekemmerle@gmail.com. She will respond with easy-to-follow instructions. Thank you!

- June 12th - Raise the Curtain: Music of Stage and Screen
- June 19th - Collaboration Concert with Muskingum Valley Symphonic Winds
- June 26th - Children's Concert
- July 3rd - Celebrate America!