

Morning Worship
October 21, 2018
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* (see Hymn #66) Hailstork

Choral Introit *Come All You People*

*Call to Worship John Joyce

Upon this gathering of your people,

pour out your Spirit, O Lord.

Be near to us and speak to us,

and we will proclaim your glory.

Let us worship God. Let us pray:

*Prayer of the Day

God of unquenchable fire and overflowing grace, cast out the demons that oppress us; take away the things that make us stumble. Lead us into your realm of life and season us with your peace; in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 641 *When in Our Music God is Glorified*

Call to Confession

In faithful prayer there is power to save the sick; anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore let us confess our sins and pray for one another so that we may be healed. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions, our hidden faults, our secret sins. With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil; with our eyes we look out for ourselves.

Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Though we wander from the truth God brings us back and saves our souls from death. Rejoice, you have been brought back from wandering by the redemption of God. Friends, remember the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

We Receive God's Word

Children's Sermon

Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1st grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson James 5:13-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

“Expect Change”

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn 797 *We Cannot Measure How You Heal*

* Declaration of Faith (1 Corinthians 15:1-6)

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 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.

**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

**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.**

Prayers of the People (concluding with 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, forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation

Offertory *Clair de Lune* Claude Debussy, arr. Alexander Gluklikh
Sofia Guerrero, guitar

* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee

Prayer of Dedication

We Depart in God's Name

* Hymn 804 *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

* Postlude *Trumpet Tune*

Purcell

Usher/Greeter Team for October

Cathy Chapman and Mike Chapman

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today by Mrs. Norma Brewer in loving memory of Mr. Tom Brewer.

Prayer List as of October 21, 2018

Benny Moore

Dee Pierce

Anne Bryan

Gerry Rogers

Jack Baker

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC

Artha Sompayrac – Summerville

B. J. Moore - Summerville

Copies of the **extended prayer list** (which includes non-members) can be obtained by calling the church office.

To be a good steward of God's blessings, please help “**fill the wagon**” for the McArn Community Ministry. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

First Presbyterian Church
Cheraw, South Carolina

Our Vision

**Rooted by God's Grace,
Growing in the Spirit,
Reaching Out with Christ's Love**



Our Mission

**By the Grace of God, we are rooted in Christ through love.
We grow in the Spirit by worshipping, by studying,
and by cultivating relationships with Christ and others.
As stewards of God's gifts and affirming our faith
in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,
we share God's Mission of reaching out
with Christ's Love.**

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold
Stated Supply

Missionaries
Mr. Mark Hare/ Mrs. Jenny Bent Hare *Haiti* Mr. and Mrs. Alan Smith *Germany/Russia*

The church is participating in Samaritan Purse's **Operation Christmas Child** this year. Samaritan's Purse receives small boxes (shoe-box size) of items for a girl or a boy that convey the love of Christ and transports those boxes to countries that are learning about the gospel message. (Please **DO NOT INCLUDE**: chocolate, liquids, or toothpaste). The boxes are distributed at Christmas and the Christmas story is shared. You have the opportunity to participate in this ministry simply by shopping for items for play and hygiene and study. You may pick up your box from the church office and **we will receive and bless the boxes during worship on October 28**. You may place your box in the Library when completed. Please join us in this ministry!

We will place poinsettias in the sanctuary again this Christmas Season.

- 6 1/2 inch pots are \$9.72
- 8 inch pots are \$16.20
- Flowers will be white
- **CHECKS ONLY** made payable to First Presbyterian Church **and MUST BE TURNED IN TO JEAN PAGE WATSON ALONG WITH THE FORM**
- Deadline to order: Sunday, November 11th
- Flowers may be given in honor or in memory of a loved one

If you have any questions, please call Jean Page Watson at 843-287-0882.

In Memory _____

In Honor _____

Given By _____

The Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold, Pastor	Mr. Mac McCall, DCE & Director of Choirs
Mrs. Carolyn S. West, Secretary	Mrs. Barbara C. Dickson, Church Organist
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The Church This Week (10/21/2018)

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Tues.	5:30 p.m.	Session
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	3:00 p.m.	Fun Program
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

Nursery/Pray N' Play

Oct. 21	Elizabeth Hydrick
Oct. 28	Maylen Harris

The 2018 South Carolina Jazz Festival concludes this afternoon **with a Jazz Mass at 3:00pm** in the Family Life Center of Cheraw First Baptist located at 126 Greene Street. **Worship Pastor Chris Bridges** will serve as Director of the Jazz Mass Community Choir.

Our last **Chrismon Creations** for 2018 will be November 7th at 4:30. We will be in the Fellowship Building. Please come and create your Chrismon(s) for our church Christmas tree.

First Friday Concert Series - 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, 213 W. Home Ave., Hartsville, S.C. Friday, November 2, FPC Chancel Choir – concerts are free and open to public.

First Presbyterian Church, 213 W. Home Ave., Hartsville, S.C. **All Saints Organ Concert** on Tuesday, October 30, 7:00 p.m. Free and open to public. Barbara Dickson will be performing.