

Morning Worship
November 25, 2018
Christ the King Sunday

We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Marion Anderson
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements
Prelude *Jesus Shall Reign* Peeters

Choral Introit *How Very Good and Pleasant*

*Call to Worship

The Lord is our shepherd

**We are the people of God's pasture,
The sheep of God's hand.**

The Lord is gracious and merciful to all.

Let us worship in the beauty of life the Creator and Sustainer of all.

*Prayer of the Day

Creator God, thou hast created us to be a loving people, holy unto thee.

In your grace, you have called us to be your children.

In your grace, we have our breath and see the beauty of others and all of creation.

Help us to be amazed at thy grace and power.

Help us to be amazed at thy call to each of us to hear and to be vessels of thy goodness. Amen.

*Hymn 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!*

Call to Confession

Let us come before our Creator, knowing the pull of God's love upon each of us. Even as we resist, the love of God reached into our souls and draws us to the throne of God's grace. Let us leave behind fear. Let us leave behind hatred. Let us leave behind that which seeks to destroy life as God wills life to be.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Creator God, we confess that we have gone far from thy love and peace and lived without regard for thee and others. We have lived in rejection of ourselves and others. It is in thy gracious embrace that we will know the forgiveness which only thou can provide. In thy embrace we will know love. In thy embrace, we will know the truth of living in peace. In thy embrace, we will experience hope – for ourselves and others. Amen. (Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

The Grace of God is upon each of us. Let us accept the forgiveness found in the abundant love of our Creator.

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 Karen Tillman
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

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 93

New Testament Lesson Revelation 1:4-8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Snow Donmoyer

“In the Kingdom of God”

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn 265 *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

* Declaration of Faith (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. 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 *Come Thou Almighty King*

Near

* 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 268 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*

* Postlude

We **welcome** Rev. Snow Donmoyer to the pulpit this morning.

He is a minister member of New Harmony Presbytery and has pastored churches in Florida and South Carolina. He is the father of one daughter, Erin, who lives in Vermont. He and his wife, Sylvia, reside in Lake City. Snow enjoys reading and working in the yard and landscaping around his home. Besides being an ordained Presbyterian Minister, he is licensed in South Carolina as a Counselor and has worked a number of years in the South Carolina Mental Health system. Currently, he is the Chaplain at the Presbyterian Community in Florence.

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today by Gerry Rogers in loving memory of Edith Glover.

Usher/Greeter Team for November

Sue Funderburk and Tracie Phillips

Prayer List as of November 25, 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!

The Church This Week (11/25/2018)

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
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

Nov. 25 Jean Page Watson

The **sympathy** of the congregation is extended to Fred Harris in the death of his aunt, Ethel Ann Laney Streater. She is also the mother-in-law to Ina Coggeshall's son, Berryman Edwards Coggeshall (Julie Streater).

MEALS IN A BOX---The Mission Outreach Committee will sponsor the Thanksgiving Meals in a Box program through the McArn Food Bank this year. Your gift of \$15 will feed a family. All donations will need to be in today, November 25. Last year we were able to help many families with Thanksgiving meals. **Please make your checks payable to First Presbyterian Church with the words Meal in a Box on the memo line.**

Realm Member Directory

Please see Kim Cauthen and Andy Beck after Church and at various Church functions throughout the month of November to have your picture taken for our online member directory. If you would like to upload your own picture, get login information from Tracie Phillips (phillipscte@aol.com). The directories will be able to be printed or viewed online. They will be a valuable resource for us and our new pastor.

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, December 7, Penny Rogers, flute – concerts are free and open to public.

FPC members are volunteering at a Habitat's Brush-in-Kindness Project on **Saturday, December 1st**, and **Saturday, December 8th**. We will be replacing a metal roof, fixing siding and painting for Jackie Ellerbe Shannon at 106 Agerton St. in Cheraw. Please meet at the job site at 8:30 am. No tools are needed. Also, if you plan to participate, please fill out the sign-up sheet in front of the Church's office.

Please join us on **December 12th** for our annual **White Christmas covered dish**. Dinner will begin at 6:00. You are asked to bring a covered dish along with a monetary donation for the benefit of Pee Dee Coalition.

**Christmas Joy Offering
Sunday, December 16, 2018**

During this season, we hear "the good news of great joy" that was proclaimed to the shepherds and transformed their fear to joy. We live with the anticipation that once again the spirit of Christmas will be born in our hearts. Our hope is that the love of God made known to us as the child of Bethlehem will be a reality in our lives and in the world. One way in which the PC (USA) shares this is through the Christmas Joy Offering. One half of this supports Presbyterian related ethnic schools and colleges. The Assistance program of the Board of Pensions receives the other half of the offering and uses it to assist pastors, missionaries, and church workers in special need. We will collect our annual **Christmas Joy Offering** on December 16 during Worship.

The Church Staff

, Pastor	Mr. Mac McCall, DCE & Director of Choirs
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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.**

Missionaries

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