

**Morning Worship**  
**February 11, 2018**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**

**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 *I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light* Wold

Choral Introit *We Are Standing on Holy Ground*

\*Call to Worship Hadleigh Smith

The glory of God shines like a consuming fire.

**We have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

The voice of God thunders like a mighty storm.

**Out of the cloud, God speaks: This is my beloved Son; listen to him!**

Let us worship God.

\*Prayer of the Day

**Holy and mighty God, gather us among your faithful ones, the people of your covenant, to stand in the light of your glory and listen for the word of the Lord, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

\*Hymn 191 *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding*

Call to Confession

God alone is righteous; God alone is perfect; God alone is judge. Yet this holy, righteous God comes to us in love, to save us. Rejoicing in God's grace, let us confess our sins together, so that we may know the forgiveness of God.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**God of all glory, beauty, and grace, we have tried to hide from you—to hide our faces, to hide our sin—yet you have never hidden your love for us. We have tried to search for you—in temples, in clouds, on mountaintops—yet you have already revealed yourself to us in the face of Jesus Christ. Forgive us and transform us so that our lives may shine with your glory, beauty, and grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Our God comes and does not keep silent; God speaks to us with grace and love, saying: You are my beloved child. Because of this love, made clear in Jesus Christ, we can rejoice that we are forgiven of all rebellion and strong-headedness. God is ever-present with us to guide us home. Friends, trust the good news of your salvation,

**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 1<sup>st</sup> grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation*

Anthem *Stewards of Heaven*

Brad Printz

In a world so full of pleasure and so many choices every day.

The Lord has blest us with his treasure can we share them all some way?

In a world so full of sadness for those who live in poverty.

Their hearts can still be filled with gladness.

Love and hope can set them free.

We are stewards of heaven.

Let us give so all may live with the joy we all deserve.

We are stewards of heaven.

From our hearts we'll do our part by offering now to serve.

In our worlds of smiles and laughter we must not fall victim to our greed.

We must promise ever after to remember those in need.

We are stewards of heaven.

Let us give so all may live with the joy we all deserve.

We are stewards of heaven.

From our hearts we'll do our part by offering now to serve.

To serve.

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson Mark 9:2-9

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold

“Helping Unbelief”

**We Respond to God's Word**

\*Hymn 104 *O Lord, How Should I Meet You*

\* Declaration of Faith *(1 Cor. 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 *O, Wondrous Type! O, Vision Fair* Gabrielsen

\* 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 744 *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

\* Benediction and Sending

\* Choral Response *Love the Lord Your God*

\* Postlude *Shine, Jesus, Shine* Kendrick

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Smith.

**Prayer List as of February 11, 2018**

Benny Moore Bennie Moore Pam Chapman

Gerry Rogers Tom Brewer

Dee Pierce Bill Tillman

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC

Ruth Leggett – Columbia

Artha Sompayrac – Summerville

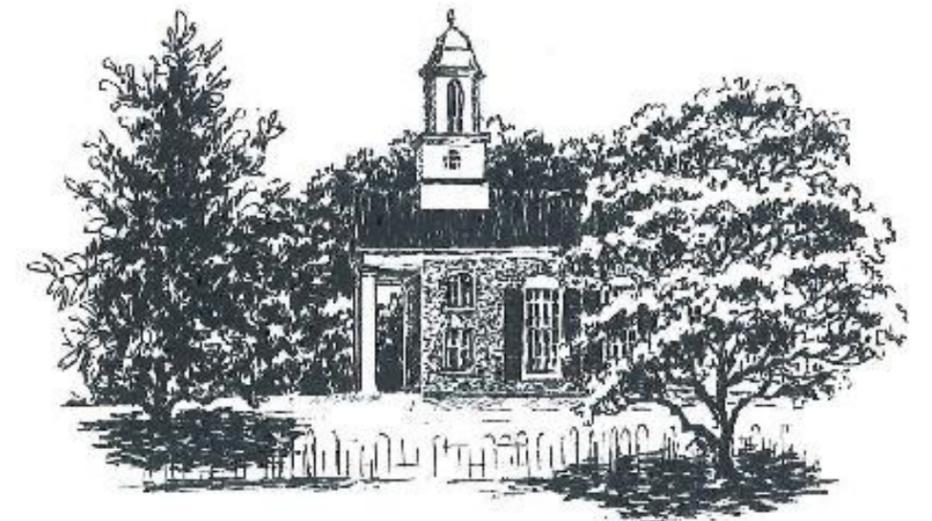
B. J. Moore - Summerville

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

**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*

**An Ash Wednesday** service will be held this Wednesday evening in the Session House at 6 p.m. We will reflect on the meaning of Lent before having the ashes of last Palm Sunday's palms applied to our foreheads as a sign of repentance. Join us for this start to the season of Lent on Wednesday evening.

**Treasured Tuesdays**, an older adult ministry of Camp Pee Dee, invites you to attend on Tuesday, February 20 for LIVING IN RETIREMENT: Making Your Money Last. Mr. Andy Hall, an Edward Jones Financial Advisor will lead the program. The program begins at 10:30 a.m. with lunch at 11:45 a.m. (Lunch is \$10 per person). Reservations required: contact Kelly Boone at (843) 479-3051. (See bulletin board for additional information).

**Elder in Charge of Greeting**

John Joyce

**Deacons in Charge of Ushers**

Fred Harris and Kelli Beck

To be a good steward of God's blessings, please bring a can or two to help "fill the wagon" for the McArn Community Ministry. The need for canned goods is very high. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

**The Church This Week (2/11/2018)**

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	4:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Tues.	10:00 a.m.	Circle 1
	4:00 p.m.	Circle 2
	5:30 p.m.	Pancake Meal
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	3:00 p.m.	Fun Program
	6:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
Thurs.	5:30 p.m.	Session
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

**Nursery/Pray N' Play**

February 11	Becky Childers and Andy Beck
February 18	Kelli Beck and youth
February 25	Christie and Alice McLeod

**First Presbyterian Church website**

[www.cherawfpc.org](http://www.cherawfpc.org)

Please join us this Tuesday in the Fellowship Building at 5:30 p.m. for a **Shrove Tuesday Supper**. Pancakes, scrambled eggs, grits, and sausage will be served.

**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
Mr. James W. Kendall, Sexton	Mrs. Kim Brabham, Director MMO
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