

First Presbyterian Church

November 6, 2022

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE ASSEMBLE TO WORSHIP GOD

**Rise in body or in spirit...(as indicated below)*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude on *Brother James' Air*

Searle Wright

CHIMING OF THE HOUR (Psalm 118:24)

The Chimes

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT (Hymnal 250, v.3)

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, God called the world into being, saying,

“Let there be light!”

In the fullness of time, Jesus came from God to us, saying,

“I am the Light of the world.”

In our everyday life, we see the work of the saints,

The ones in whom God’s light shines.

So let us give thanks for the saints this day,

And let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER 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.

*OPENING HYMN 321 (vs. 1,2,4,5)

The Church’s One Foundation

AURELIA

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we become indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

- A Moment for Silent Confession-

*KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

*RESPONSE: *Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

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.

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Rev. Kara Wheeler, Director of Family Ministries

(All children through 2nd grade are welcome in Children’s Church with Ms. Kara)

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 3:1-11

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

THE SERMON

“Mail Call in Colossae...or Being Really Real”

Rev. Dr. William C. Pender

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY LITURGY (see insert)

MOVING AHEAD IN HOPE

Karen Holt

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

By All Your Saints

GREGORY / Jeremy Bankson

*RESPONSE: *The Doxology*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

HYMN OF PREPARATION 527

Eat This Bread

BERTHIER

† INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† WORDS OF INSTITUTION

† SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

† PRAYER (UNISON)

O God, as we have gathered at this table, we claim our connection to the communion of the saints—past, present, and future. And, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one with all your saints until together we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

*CLOSING HYMN 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

[verses 1,2 – all, verse 3 – choir only, verses 4,5 – all]

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (Philippians 4:8)

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable,

Whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable,

If there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise,

Think about these things.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymnal 541, verse 1)

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

RANDOLPH

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd’s care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

For All the Saints (Chorale)

David Cherwein

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by loving friends to the Glory of God and in loving tribute to

Margaret Ann Tice on the occasion of her 98th birthday.

Guests...WELCOME to First Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us and pray that you will discover anew God’s love for you today. Your signing the Friendship Pad with your contact information when it is passed is encouraged. Church members and staff would be delighted to provide you more information about FPC

Worship Care Today: Vickey Dodge Nov. 13: Michele Murdoch
Extraordinary Children: Volunteer needed today Nov. 13: Heather Dellinger
Counters for Nov. 13: Matt Elston, Gordon Barrett
Acolyte(s) Today: Maddie Skinner Olivia Green
Acolyte(s) Nov. 13: Brynn Park, Jamison Deese

Please remember the following in prayer: Health Concerns: Worth Kendall, Mary Tice, Audrey Moore, Alvane Deal, Shirley Burton, Izzy Brooks, Ashley Kay, Beth Easley, Rev. Dr. Mark Verdery, George White, Will Read, Susan Read, and Gene Black's niece.

The rosebud today is given to the Glory of God and in honor of the arrival of Wrenn Neely Curley on October 30th. Proud parents are Miles and Jodie Curley. Grandparents are Doug and Betsy Curley.

Columbarium Update: Construction of the Columbarium has been completed, and installation of the Memorial Garden and associated landscaping began this week. Although there are no barricades in place, please treat the landscape areas as construction zones and stay on the existing sidewalks.

A dedication ceremony for the Columbarium and Memorial Garden is planned today immediately following the 11:00am church service.

Help for HOPE: Help for HOPE - Our congregation collected 94 packages of pasta and 66 jars/cans of sauce during the month of October for the clients of Project HOPE! Many Rock Hill families can enjoy hot and hearty meals from our contributions! Thank you from the Mission and Outreach Committee.

Crop Walk Today. Let Kara know that you are participating with the York County Crop Walk, meeting at Dinkins Hall at Winthrop at 2:30pm this afternoon.

The youth will collect money at the door following the service today to support food, water, and housing for individuals locally and around the world.

Ladies Night Out will meet at Flipside on **Tuesday, November 8th at 6:00pm.** RSVP by noon on Monday, November 7th.

Retirees Lunch will meet at The Little Café at noon on **Thursday, November 10th.** Guest speaker will be Spratt White, George White's brother, speaking about the Greenway and land conservation in York County. Hope to see you there!

Rock of Ages Bible Study will meet at the home of Scott & Angela Harris on Tuesday, **November 8th at 7:00pm.** Contact Scott for directions.

Kirkin of the Tartans: Next **Sunday, November 13th** during the morning worship service. Let Bev Keely know if you plan to carry your flag or if you need help. Meet in the sanctuary at 10:15am to pick up your banner & prepare to carry it in the procession.

Prospective Members Gathering: Rev. Pender will be leading this class on **November 13th at 9:40am in the Chapel.** The class will cover membership at First Presbyterian Church and generalities about being "Presbyterian" and some specifics about our congregation.

Thornwell Offering will be collected on **Sunday, November 20th.** You may also donate through Realm or mail to the church, designating *Thornwell* on the memo line.

Eradicating Systemic Poverty: \$2 a Day - Living on Almost Nothing in America. The book study begins on November 15th from 7:00pm - 8:00pm and will continue on the second and fourth Tuesday in December and January, ending on February 7th. There is room for two more participants. Contact Dave Keely if interested.

Save the Date! Congregational Life is sponsoring our Advent Workshop on **Sunday, November 20th at 10:00am** in Hopkins Hall. Use a pew reservation card or let Kara know of your family's participation so we can be prepared with Advent Wreath supplies.

Our Extraordinary Children Need You! We are excited our Extraordinary Children Classroom is open. We need a volunteer to assist York School District One Special Education teacher, Mary Gump, each Sunday. Contact Tara Park for details if interested in helping. Training will be provided.

November Deacons of the Month
Diane Hale, Tom Hickman, Freeman Sturgis

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Sunday, November 6

- 9:30 am Officer Training
- 9:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 12:15 pm Columbarium & Memorial Garden Dedication
- 12:15 pm Ladies Out to Lunch
- 2:30 pm Crop Walk at Winthrop
- 4:30 pm Children's Choirs
- 4:30 pm Handbell Choir

Tuesday, November 8

- 9:00 am Walking Group
- 4:00 pm Seniors Exercise/Yoga Class
- 6:00 pm Ladies Night Out at Flipside
- 7:00pm Rock of Ages Bible Study

Thursday, November 10

- 9:00 am Walking Group
- 10:00 am Seniors Exercise/Yoga Class
- 12:00 pm Retirees Lunch/The Little Café
- 3:00 pm Yarns of Love
- 5:30 pm Worship Committee

Sunday, November 13

- 9:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 9:40 am Prospective Members Class
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Kirkin' of the Tartans Service
- 12:15 pm Ladies Out to Lunch
- 4:30 pm Children's Choirs
- 4:30 pm Handbell Choir
- 4:30 pm Youth Bible Study

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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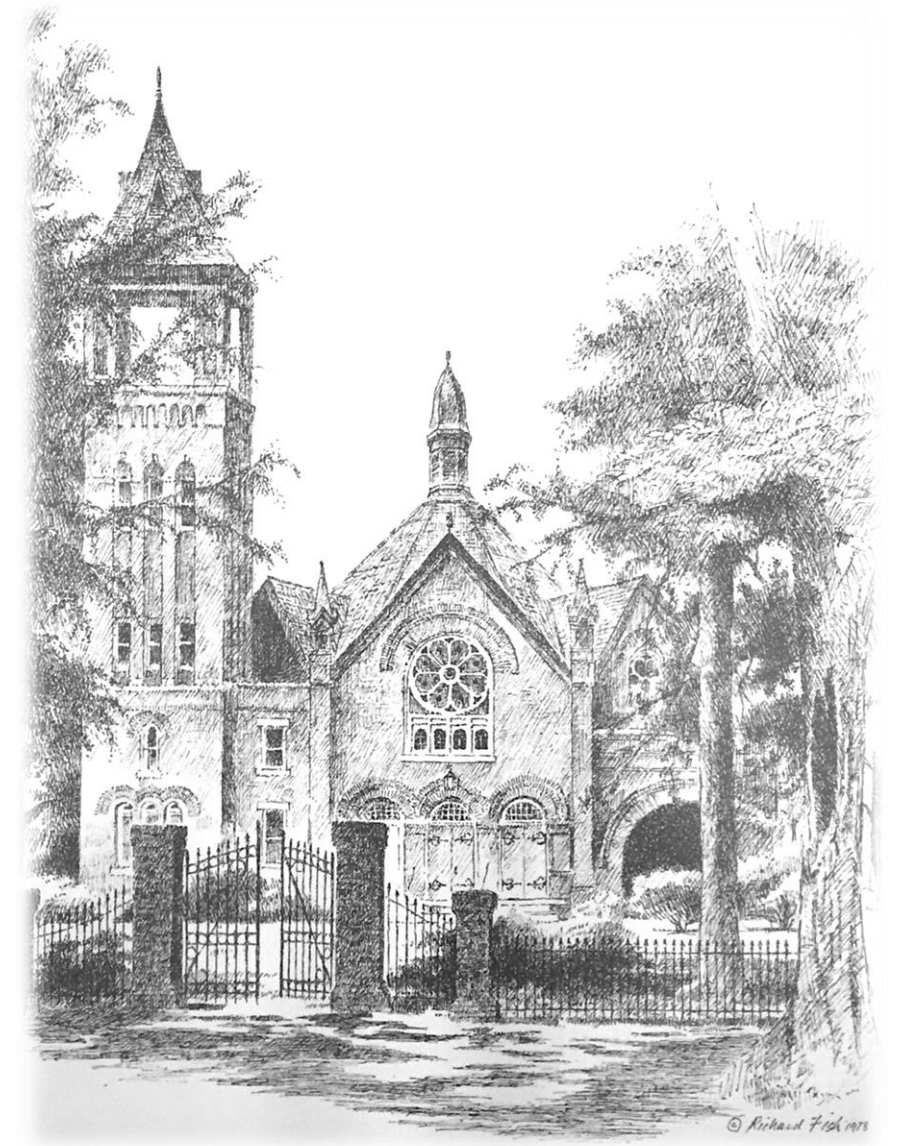
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First Presbyterian Church

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We are a diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ, who seek to glorify God by celebrating and sharing God's renewing and transforming love as we:

- Worship* the living God with joy and thanksgiving
- Teach* the Word of God to deepen our faith and grow in our love of Christ
- Serve* others through sharing our unique gifts of the Holy Spirit
- Fellowship* with one another to energize our life together as a congregation
- Nurture and Embrace* all of God's children.

Rev. Dr. William C. Pender - Interim Pastor
 Rev. Kara Wheeler - Director of Family Ministries
 Dr. Donald M. Rogers - Director of Music
 M. L. Marley - Organist
 Angela Harris - Director of Cherub Choir
 Ashley Platts - Director of Handbell Choir