

First Presbyterian Church of Naples

*In the Heart of Naples with the Love of God:
we worship, we love, we grow, we serve*



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 23, 2022
9:30 a.m.

Let us quiet our hearts, minds, and voices for the beginning of worship.
At this time, please silence all cell phones.

The Prelude

Rigaudon

ANDRÉ CAMPRA

THE TIME OF GATHERING

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

*Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: We will rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Great is the Lord!

People: And greatly to be praised!

All: Let us worship God!

A TIME FOR PRAISE AND CONFESSION

*Hymn of Praise #298 (vs. 1,2,5) **Lord, You Give the Great Commission**

ABBOT'S LEIGH

1. *Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:*

Refrain: with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

2. *Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:
Refrain.*

5. *Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:
Refrain.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you invite us to come and follow you, but we turn away. You call us to see all people as your beloved children, but instead we see friends, and strangers and we even see some as enemies. You call us to love but in our anxiety we give in to fear. You call us to extend compassion and to do justice, but when we see those in need we pass by on the other side. Forgive us, O God, for our waywardness and cold hearts. Help us to see neighbors everywhere. Fill us this day with your love and give us the strength and the courage to follow in your way. We pray in the name of Jesus.

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. God's grace abounds.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Receive your forgiveness and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri #580

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!

Children's Time

REV. REX CHILDS

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

PATTY RUTZLER

First Reading

Psalm 8

PEW BIBLE PAGE 427

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ²Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. ³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? ⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. ⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, ⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Choral Response

Live in Charity

TAIZÉ COMMUNITY

Live in charity and steadfast love. Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Second Reading

Luke 10:25-37

PEW BIBLE PAGE 844

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Third Reading

Matthew 22:34-40

PEW BIBLE PAGE 804

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Who Cares?

DR. GEORGE WIRTH

*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith—PCUSA 1983)

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...We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. 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. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving and 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

Sing to the Lord a New Song

CRAIG COURTNEY

*The Doxology

***All: 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

*Hymn of Commitment #435 ***There's a Wideness in God's Mercy***

IN BABILONE

- 1. There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.***
- 2. For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind.
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.***

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Rondo in G

JOHN BULL

Ushers

Bill Kearney (head usher), Ned Camuti, Roni Haggart and Chuck Work,
Deborah Meeson-Vigé, Dottie Morse, Betty Plum

Greeters

Marti Beard and Larry Succop, Cindy Esler, Lucy Koll

Flower Dedication

The Chancel flowers are given by William Morgan
in loving memory of Thomas A. Morgan.

In Sympathy

We express our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Joan Bird Eisenhower who died on October 13, 2022. A service will be held at a later date.
Please keep her husband, Rich, and her family in your prayers.

We welcome Dr. George Wirth

Dr. George Wirth is the Pastor Emeritus of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta where he served as Pastor from 1990 to 2013. Dr. Wirth also served as Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Sewickley, Pennsylvania and as an associate pastor at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div.) and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (D. Min.). He currently serves as a consultant to the Cousins Family Foundation. George has served on a multitude of boards, including his current service with Princeton Theological Seminary and The Rabun Gap Nachoochee School. George and his wife Barbara reside in Atlanta. Dr. Wirth and Rev. Goodrich served together at First Presbyterian of Atlanta for over 20 years.

Prayer List

In an effort to keep the prayer list current, names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks, unless we are notified otherwise. If you wish for a name to be included, please contact the church office.

Jenn Abbott	* Eileen Malstrom	Missionary-Honduras
Lora Adams	Edison Martinez	Dorie Hjalmarson
* Linda Arsenault	Isabella McKenna	Central Presbyterian Reformed
Darryl Bernhardt	* Gene McCree	Church (Matanzas, Cuba)
Ellie Cabarrus	Kent Morse	Marilyn Bello, Jazmin
* Roy and Marjorie Cashion	* Jon Myers	Martinez, Walkiria Rodríguez,
* Bill Crawford	* Corbin Wyant	Patria Gonzalez and family,
* Norma Dallessandro	The U.S. Military	Leydis Santana, retired
* Pam Fisher	Stephen Ministers/care receivers	pastors Miguel Pérez, Ofelia
Spencer Frantz	* church member	Ortega, Daniel Montoya, and
* Don Herring		for the lack of medicine they
Ray Kemner	Medical Missionary-Guatemala	are facing.
Lorraine Kornek	* Mark Speake	

Giving Opportunities

Session has approved the creation of a **Hurricane Ian Relief Fund** (HIRF) which is open to receive donations that will be distributed to agencies providing relief, based on recommendations from the Missions Committee. We are also encouraging contributions to the **Pastor's Emergency Assistance Fund**, which is available on a confidential basis to assist individuals who are connected to our congregation with emergency expenses. If you are or know of someone who is in need of assistance, please contact either Rev. Craig Goodrich, craigg@fpcnaples.org or Sharman Pfaus at sharmanp@fpcnaples.org or 239.262.1311. You may donate to these funds either online (www.fpcnaples.org/give), by cash or check. Please designate which fund your donation is to be given to: **Hurricane Ian Relief Fund** or **Pastor's Emergency Assistance Fund**. We would encourage you to prayerfully consider donating to both funds. For additional information on these funds and how you contribute, please contact Debbie Savage, Director of Finance, at debbies@fpcnaples.org or 239.262.1311.

Guests and Visitors Welcome

We're so glad you joined us in worship this morning. Please visit our Welcome Table in Spencer Hall and join us for refreshments served by the Presbyterian Women.

Childcare

Nursery care is available in the Mase Christian Education Center in Room 206 for those in preschool and younger.

Kidz Lab

Children in grades Kindergarten through grade 6 are invited to Kidz Lab after the Time for Children. Children in Kidz Lab engage in the same scriptures explored in church which encourages family conversations after the service. Children will be brought to Spencer Hall after the service.

Church Tours

All are welcome to join a "Behind the Scenes" church tour this morning following the worship service. The guided tour is intended to orient, inform, and familiarize you with the spaces and activities that take place at FPCN. The 30 minute tour will include the Offices, Choir Room, Mase Christian Education Center, Youth Room, Chapel, and other areas with historical perspectives from parishioners. Participants should assemble at the front of the Sanctuary 15 minutes following the church service. We are looking for additional volunteers to help lead or assist with upcoming tours. Contact Sarah Nichols for additional information, sarahsnichols@gmail.com or 615.268.5407.

Young Adults

The Young Adult Group will meet today at 12 noon via Zoom. Contact Nancy Van Fleet for details at nancyv@fpcnaples.org

Wednesday's at First

Please join us to listen and discuss key topics and recent exciting experiences with our clergy and senior staff and enjoy fellowship, conversation, and a meal. Dinner (\$10) catered by Wynn's Market begins at 5:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 6 p.m. in Spencer Hall. To register for dinner please contact Sandy Knight at sandyk@fpcnaples.org by the Monday prior to the event.

- November 2-Dr. Brice Gerlach: Sabbatical Time and The Season of Music
- November 9-Nancy Van Fleet: Growing Young
- November 16-St. John's Bible Preview

Sacred Habits

Join us for our fall session of Sacred Habits as we explore the labyrinth. We will meet on Thursday mornings from 8 - 9 a.m. through October 27. Contact Nancy Van Fleet at nancyv@fpcnaples.org for more information.

Kirkin' O' the Tartan

Sunday, October 30 at 9:30 a.m. Join us for our annual Reformation Sunday tradition as we welcome the St. Andrew's Society and The Harp and Thistle Pipe Band.

Women of the Way

ALL women are invited to our **WOW** fall study for a new season of fellowship, exploration of Scripture and small group discussion on Thursdays, through - December 1 (excluding Thanksgiving) from 9 - 11 a.m. in Spencer Hall. A live Thursday morning Zoom option will also be available. Sign-up in Spencer Hall at the WOW table after worship or online at fpcwomen2017@gmail.com. The study book "The Spirit-Led Heart" can be purchased directly from Amazon or copies will be available in Spencer Hall at the WOW table (cost: \$11).

Presbyterian Women

Stop by the PW table in Spencer Hall to purchase your study book for this year's Circle Bible Study: *Celebrating Sabbath* (\$10 each). PW Circle groups begin in November! And also, today you can sign up for our PW Gathering being held on Wednesday, November 2. Lunch (\$10) is at noon followed by our program. We will be blessed through our program to receive Nancy Van Fleet's support and encouragement for accepting God's gift of rest and delight. In this year's PW Circle groups we will learn together about the refreshing of our bodies, minds and souls as Christian women. Participation in our PW Gatherings and/or our PW Circle groups is a time for fellowship and sharing with our Christian sisters. Hope you can join us.

Share a Meal

We are pleased to offer "Share a Meal" on Friday, November 4. Hosts/Hostesses are asked to welcome attendees into their homes to share a meal for 4, 5, or 6 people. Hosts are responsible for furnishing the main entrée and soft drinks. Guests will provide dishes to accompany the main course. For details or if you would like to host or attend a "Share a Meal" please visit Spencer Hall or contact Saralene Oldham, at soldham@helmsbriscoe.com or 239.643.4703.

A Season of Music Concert

Join us for the first concert of the season as we welcome organist, Kateri Andress on Sunday, November 6 at 4 p.m. Most recently, while studying for her undergraduate degree, she held the position of Assistant Director of Music at Ave Maria Catholic Church in Ave Maria, Florida. Kateri is currently the organist at the United Church of Canandaigua in Canandaigua, New York. Her program will include works by Bach, Mendelssohn and contemporary composer Naji Hakim. This concert is open to the public at no charge. A free-will offering will be taken.

Helping Hands Ministry

The Helping Hands Ministry of the PW includes the Sew and Sews and the Prayer Shawlers groups. Join them on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 204 of the Mase Education Center. The Sew and Sews have challenged themselves to make a quilt for each family as a "house warming gift" when they move into their new home at the Immokalee Fair Housing Project. Anyone that knits or crochets is welcome to join the Prayer Shawlers you can get a prayer shawl pattern and work at home. For more information please contact Gail Clark at 239.331.3312.

Life-Line Screening

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in Spencer Hall on Monday, November 14. A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke.
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body.
- An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke!
- Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral arterial disease
- Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 screenings are offered for only \$149, take 60-90 minutes to complete and do not require you to disrobe. To learn more and to schedule your appointment call 1.888.653.6441, text the word circle to 797979 or visit Life Line Screening's website at <https://lisa.social/HS>. Appointments CANNOT be scheduled through the church office.

Staff Listing

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Elders

Class of 2022

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 Deborah Meeson-Vige
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 Patty Rutzler
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Class of 2023

Teresa Doane
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 Linda Gadkowski
 Roni Haggart
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Class of 2024

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