

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost *Peacemaking Season*

September 22, 2024

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

*Enviado soy de Dios
(The Lord Now Sends Us Forth)*

Central American tune,
arr. Edwin T. Childs

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mindy Douglas

Leader: O God who called all life into being,
People: **the earth, sea, and sky are yours.**
Leader: Your presence is all around us,
People: **every atom is full of your energy.**
Leader: Your Spirit enlivens all who walk the earth,
People: **with her we yearn for justice to be done,**
Leader: for creation to be freed from bondage,
People: **for the hungry to be fed,**
Leader: for captives to be released,
All: **for your kingdom of peace to come on earth.**

***HYMN NO. 637**

O Sing to the Lord
(Sung in English or Spanish)

Cantai ao Senhor

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

John Weicher

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

**O God, gladly we live and move and have our being in you.
Yet always in the midst of this creation-glory,
we see sin's shadow and feel death's darkness:
around us in the earth, sea, and sky, the abuse of matter;
beside us in the broken, the hungry, and the poor,
the betrayal of one another;
and often, deep within us, a striving against your Spirit.**

O Trinity of love,

**forgive us that we may forgive one another,
heal us that we may be people of healing,
and renew us that we also may be makers of peace.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

*Those who are able, please stand.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

John Weicher

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

***REGATHERING HYMN (No. 399)**

Themba Amen

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Candace Gunn

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

People: **Holy God,
 may this your Word
 give us the power to comprehend,
 with all the saints,
 the length and width,
 the height and depth
 of the love of Christ
 and the fullness of life in you. Amen.**

PSALM LESSON

Psalm 145:10-19

(Pew Bible, OT Page 581)

Candace Gunn

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:1-15

(Pew Bible, NT, page 97)

Mia Umaña with Karla Koll

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"Life Processes"

Mia Umaña with Karla Koll

(silent reflection)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Hispanic Creed

John Weicher

**We believe in the Church universal because it is a sign of God's reign,
whose faithfulness is shown in its many hues
where all the colors paint a single landscape,
where all tongues sing the same praise.**

**We believe in the reign of God – the day of the Great Fiesta
when all the colors of creation will form a harmonious rainbow,
when all people will join in joyful banquet,
when all tongues of the universe will sing the same song.**

**And because we believe, we commit ourselves:
to believe for those who do not believe,
to love for those who do not love,
to dream for those who do not dream,
until the day when hope becomes a reality.**

***HYMN NO. 762**

When the Poor Ones

El Camino

Andrew Whiteman, guitarist and Amy Wilson, soloist
(Leader sings verses, congregation join in at the refrain.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

John Weicher

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give
Offertory Anthem

Esto Les Digo

(Sung in Spanish) Amy Wilson, soloist

Where two or three are gathered in my name, there will I be also.

Mindy Douglas
Kinley Lange

(The *Hunger for Change Offering* will be received following the offertory anthem.)

***Doxology with Alleluias**

Lasst uns erfreuen

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia; Alleluia;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!***

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mindy Douglas

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Mindy Douglas

**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.**

***HYMN NO. 747**

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Enviado

(Leader sings each part in Spanish and the congregation echoes in English.)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Mia Umaña with Karla Koll

Children's music follows worship

Children from kindergarten to age 6 are invited upstairs to the choir room immediately after worship for a time of music with Kathy Parkins.



First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship with us. Let us know you have joined us for worship by scanning the QR code to the left. For online giving, scan the QR code to the right.



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We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Jesus Christ. First Presbyterian welcomes individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender identity, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that you may know who is sitting nearby, please sign the *Friendship Pad*, pass it along the pew, and **then return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you.

We *welcome to worship* PC(USA) International Peacemaker *Mia Umaña* from Costa Rica and her translator, *Karla Koll*. For 30 years, Mia has been working to support vulnerable communities in comprehensive and empathetic ways. She currently provides pastoral accompaniment and support to migrants with a particular focus on gender violence, femicide, and environmental justice. She works to strengthen relational networks while providing support to migrants at Casa Adobe.

Today's *flowers* are given by Peggy Hammond to the glory of God and in memory of Peggy's daughter *Sharon* and Sharon's husband *David McAlister*, in memory of Peggy's husband *Charles Hammond*, and in celebration of *Sheila Breitweiser*, whose birthday is today.

We are grateful to *Amy Wilson* and *Andrew Whiteman* for providing music during today's worship.

Childcare: A staffed nursery and children's playroom are available on the second floor of the education building during worship. **Activity bags** are available in the foyer for children to use during worship. Please return bags to the foyer at the end of worship.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle by the door or return it to the audio/visual console. Receivers are sanitized after each use.

Restroom locations: To the left and right as you exit the rear of the sanctuary; on the second floor of the education building; and on the first and second floors of the church house. There is an infant changing table in the restroom area located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Portions of today's worship texts are taken from *Iona Abbey worship book, Peacemaking Through Worship, Feasting on the Word (Liturgies for Year B, Volume 2)* and *Glory to God (The Presbyterian Hymnal)*. Music is reprinted under Onelicense.net A.713926.

FPC's Peacemaking Banner is on display in Watts-Hill Hall through the end of September. The banner was completed in 2010 to honor the 30th anniversary of "Peacemaking: The Believer's Calling." The congregation chose and signed the squares. *Sue Fricks* assembled the banner.

The *These Days* devotional books for October-December 2024 have arrived. Free copies are available from the table in the foyer while quantities last.

JOYS and CONCERNS

CELEBRATION: *Poston Pritchett*, son of *Ed Pritchett*, was inducted into the Riverside High School Athletic Hall of Fame inaugural class on September 21st. Poston, Class of 2003, was a star swimmer at Riverside, 5-time state champion, and 3-time All-American. Later, at the University of Texas, he was a captain of the swimming team. Poston lives in Kansas City, MO with his wife and two children.

CONCERNS:

- *Phyllis Verhey* is a patient at Duke Medical Center following a fall.
- *Tony Brown* began chemotherapy this week.

Fred Callaway

Kerry Holbrook

Mitzi Lesher-Thomas

Franzi Rokoske

Paul Cornsweet

Lee House

Jen McGonigle

Keith Rokoske

Sam Crabtree

Ann Huff

Madge McKeithen

Alfred Tisdale

Susan Cyr

Jenni James

Vernon Neece

David Verner

Care Communities

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Dub Gulley*

Durham Ridge: *Phillip Herndon*

Hillcrest Convalescent: *Maxie Honeycutt*

Carol Wills

Bill Mordecai, father of Beth Eisenson

Family and Friends of the Congregation

Tim Boyer, cousin of Fred Moore

Jerry Boles, sister-in-law of Maxie Honeycutt and aunt of Michael Honeycutt

Francisca Cristobal, family of Al & Judy Arrowood

Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings

Larry and Lynn Farrell, parents of Rachel Bethune

Isla Foster, cousin and *Linda Foster Momsen*, mother of Deborah Momsen-Hudson

Katie Jackson, wife of Matt Hirsch

Rosalind Mutua, sister of Mercy Ndambiri

Paul Pasquarella, husband of Michael Honeycutt

Alan Petersburg, brother-in-law of Jenni James

Doug Rimmer, brother of Steve Rimmer

Joe & Mary Kay Robinson, former members of FPC

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

John C. Weicher, father of John Weicher

Denisha Williams, daughter of Sybil King

Joy Wintermute, friend of Kerry Holbrook and FPC

PRIDE



DURHAM ★ NC

Saturday, September 28 / Sábado, 28 de Sept.

Music & Market Festival / Festival de Música y Mercado

Pop-up Market / Mercado Temporal | 12:00–4:00 p.m.

Lot 8 (215 E Parrish St) & Chapel Hill St Lot (326 E Chapel Hill St)

Concert Stage / Escenario de Concierto | 12:00–8:00 p.m.

CCB Plaza (201 Corcoran St)

Food Truck Station / Estación de Comida | 2:00–6:00 p.m.

Durham Central Park (501 Foster St)

Sunday, September 29 / Domingo, 29 de Sept.

Parade & Community Kickback / Desfile y Reunión Comunitaria

Parade / Desfile | 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Duke East Campus (Campus Dr & Main St)

Community Kickback / Reunión Comunitaria | 1:00–4:00 p.m.

Duke East Campus

FAITH FORMATION

Treat & Talk for 20

October 6, November 17,

February 16, & March 30

We're finding some new ways this year to connect across generational lines, over a delightful piece of toast. For the first twenty minutes of the faith formation hour on these four days, different classes make new friends while they nosh.

- Faith & Community and middle schoolers? Muffin besties!
- Younger elementary school and Journeys? Cereal twins!
- Lectionary and high school? Powerhouse Biblical scholars!

When the clock strikes 10:05, the visiting class will head back to its regular space.

Treat and Talk for 20!

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR INTERGENERATIONAL CONVERSATION DURING FAITH FORMATION!

OCT 06	TOAST AND TALK!
NOV 17	CEREAL AND TALK!
FEB 16	MUFFINS AND TALK!
MAR 30	DONUTS AND TALK!

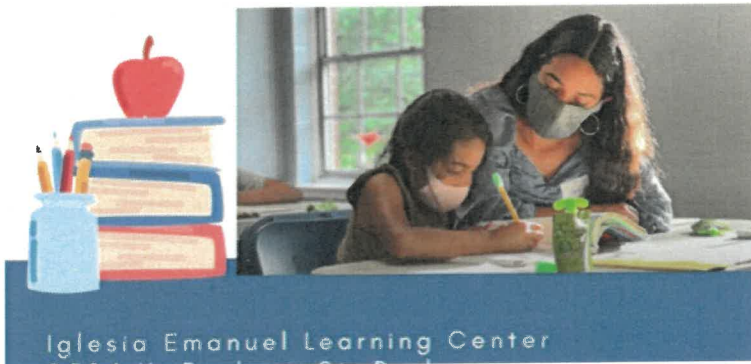
First Acts - Playreading Group

All are welcome to join in to read
"Inherit the Wind"

We will meet in Watts-Hill fellowship hall on Sunday, October 13, 4:00-6:00 p.m. For more information, please contact *Susan Dunlap* by email at sjd4@duke.edu or *Mason Essif* by email at masonessif@comcast.net.

Some copies of the script will be available but if you're interested in purchasing your own copy, here's a link: <https://www.dramatists.com/cgi-bin/db/single.asp?key=1689>. Both the 1960 and 1999 movie versions are available to stream if you want further immersion in the play.

IGLESIA EMANUEL



Iglesia Emanuel's tutoring program is looking for tutors! We offer 1:1 student to tutor ratios from kindergarten through twelfth grade, and tutors are paired with the same student for the entire year, which helps to foster a supportive and collaborative relationship between tutors and students. The focus here is on skill development through games and projects that are inspired by student interests, rather than homework help, so students (and tutors!) look forward to coming each week. No teaching experience is necessary. If you have interest in being part of this community as a tutor, we would love to have you! For more info, go to: www.emanuellearning.com or reach out to the learning center director, *Mimi Dunn*, by email: marydunn618@gmail.com or call her at 304-553-3295.

COMMUNITY-WIDE
TRUNK OR TREAT!
SUNDAY, OCT. 27, 5-7 PM

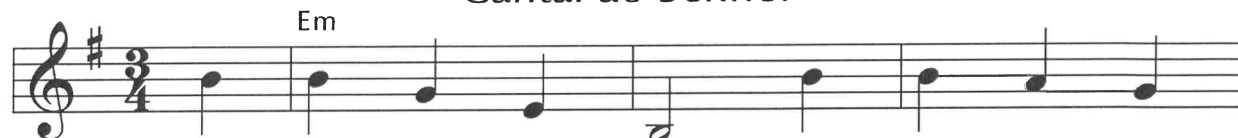
CANDY & COSTUMES
FOR ALL KIDS
FACE PAINTING & REFRESHMENTS

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIGN UP TO DO A TRUNK
VIA THE QR CODE

It is that time of year again, Trunk or Treat is nearly here! Please sign up to host a trunk via the QR code in the graphic above. There will be trunks, face painting, hot dogs and more!

O Sing to the Lord

Cantai ao Senhor

1 O sing to the Lord; O sing God a
 2 For God is the Lord, and God has done
 3 So dance for our God and blow all the
 4 O shout to our God, who gave us the
 5 For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le -



new song. O sing to the Lord; O sing God a
 won - ders. For God is the Lord, and God has done
 trum - pets. So dance for our God and blow all the
 Spir - it. O shout to our God, who gave us the
 lu - ia! For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le -



new song. O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song.
 won - ders. For God is the Lord, and God has done won - ders.
 trum - pets. So dance for our God and blow all the trum - pets.
 Spir - it. O shout to our God, who gave us the Spir - it.
 lu - ia! For Je - sus is Lord! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia!



O sing to our God; O sing to our God.

PORTUGUESE

- 1 *Cantai ao Senhor um cântico novo, (3x)
cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.*
- 2 *Porque ele fez, ele fez maravilhas, (3x)
cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.*
- 3 *Cantai ao Senhor, bendizei o seu nome, (3x)
cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.*
- 4 *É ele quem dá o Espírito Santo, (3x)
cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.*
- 5 *Jesus é o Senhor! Amém, aleluia! (3x)
cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.*

SPANISH

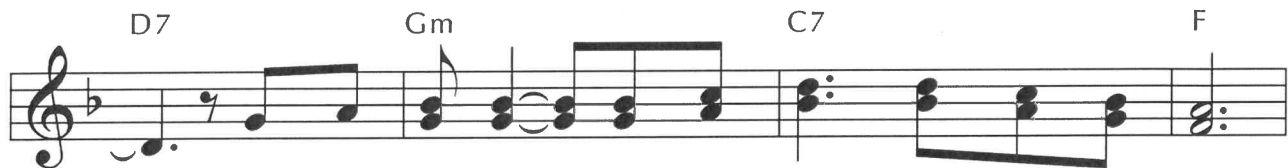
- 1 *Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo. (3x)
¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*
- 2 *Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. (3x)
¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*
- 3 *Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. (3x)
¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*
- 4 *Es él quien nos da el Espíritu Santo. (3x)
¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*
- 5 *¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! (3x)
¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!*

When the Poor Ones

Cuando el pobre

1 When the poor ones who have noth - ing share with strang - ers,
 2 When at last all those who suf - fer find their com - fort,
 3 When our joy fills up our cup to o - ver - flow - ing,
 4 When our homes are filled with good - ness in a - bun - dance,

1 Cuan - do el po - bre na - da tie - ne y aún re - par - te,
 2 Cuan - do un hom - bre su - fre y lo - gra su con - sue - lo,
 3 Cuan - do cre - ce la a - le - grí - a y nos i - nun - da,
 4 Cuan - do a - bun - da el bien y lle - na los ho - ga - res,



when the thirst - y wa - ter give un - to us all,
 when they hope though e - ven hope seems hope - less - ness,
 when our lips can speak no words oth - er than true,
 when we learn how to make peace in - stead of war,

cuan - do un hom - bre pa - sa sed y a - gua nos da,
 cuan - do es - pe - ra y no se can - sa de es - pe - rar,
 cuan - do di - cen nues - tros la - bios la ver - dad,
 cuan - do un hom - bre don - de hay gue - rra po - ne paz,



when the crip - pled in their weak - ness strength - en oth - ers,
 when we love though hate at times seems all a - round us,
 when we know that love for sim - ple things is bet - ter,
 when each strang - er that we meet is called a neigh - bor,

cuan - do el dé - bil a su her - ma - no for - ta - le - ce,
 cuan - do a - ma - mos, aun - que el o - dio nos ro - dé - e,
 cuan - do a - ma - mos el sen - tir de los sen - ci - llos,
 cuan - do "her - ma - no" le lla - ma - mos al ex - tra - ño,

Refrain / Estribillo

Dm/C B^b A7 Dm

then we know that God still goes that road with us,
Va Dios mis - mo en nues - tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar.

D7 Gm A7 Dm Gm Dm

then we know that God still goes that road with us.
Va Dios mis - mo en nues - tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar.

747 The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Enviado soy de Dios



The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, to
En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá pa -



make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.
ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.



The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain to
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar un



do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name; that
mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor; me



falls to you and me and all who are made free. Help
ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad. A -



us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.
yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.

The Week at a Glance!

Later Today

12:15-12:45 PM Children's Music with Kathy Parkins (Choir Room)

5:00-7:00 PM Youth Group (Meet at West Point Mill on the Eno, 5101 N. Roxboro St.)

8:00 PM MnM's Fellowship (via Zoom)

Monday, September 23

9:00 AM-12 Noon Walk-in Ministry interviews

1:30 PM Worship Planning

5:30 PM Diaconate (Deacons)

7:00 PM Session (Ruling Elders)

Tuesday, September 24

Newsletter today

11:30 AM Day Timers Luncheon (hosted by Joe & Carlisle Harvard at Thai Café)

Wednesday, September 25

1:00 PM All Staff (Daye Meeting Room)

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 26

9:00 AM-12 Noon Walk-In Ministry Interviews

Friday, September 27

6:00 PM CROSS Service Youth Retreat (overnight)

Saturday, September 28

CROSS Service Youth Retreat (overnight)

9:00 AM-12 Noon Landscaping and Grounds Workday at FPC

12:00 – 8:00 PM PRIDE Durham NC Music and Market Festival (CCB Plaza and Durham Central Park)

Sunday, September 29

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Youth return from CROSS Service Retreat

9:45 AM Faith Formation Classes for Children and Adults

11:00 AM Worship

12:15-12:45 PM Children's Music with Kathy Parkins (in the Choir Room)

8:00 PM MnM's Fellowship (via Zoom)

CHURCH STAFF

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator
Lenore Champion, Children's Ministry Director
Vernon Cooper, Sexton
Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Omar Guess, Sr., Sunday Morning Sexton
Joseph Harvard, Pastor Emeritus



Esther Hethcox, Associate Pastor
Sybil King, Administrative Assistant
Mitzi Leshner-Thomas, Associate Pastor (Medical Leave)
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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 Jeff and Christi Boyd, Democratic Republic of the Congo
 To learn more about their work, go to

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/mission-connections/>