First Presbyterian Church

Durham, North Carolina

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | *All Saints' Sunday* | November 1, 2015

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS — Marilyn T. Hedgpeth
Ritual of Friendship

PRELUDE — *Blessed Are Ye, Faithful Souls* — J. Brahms

INTROIT — *Ye Holy Angels Bright* — Darwall (1776)

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light, fly at your Lord's command,
Assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest, who ran this earthly race
And now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — Alex Stayer Brewington

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
People: **My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;**
Leader: My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
People: **Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.** (from Psalm 84: 1,2 4)
All: **Let us worship God.**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 326** — *For All the Saints* — *Sine Nomine*

***CONFESSION OF SIN** (remain standing) — Alex Stayer Brewington

Call to Prayer
Prayer of Confession

In every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.
We confess that we are 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.

Silent Confession
Declaration of Pardon

* Those who are able, please stand.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY Sarah J. Finbow

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray.
All: **Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love. Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 *New Revised Standard* translation

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:1-6a (Pew Bible, NT Page 259)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL LESSON John 11:32-44 (Pew Bible, NT Page 105)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *"Old Heaven and New Heaven"* Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Nicene Creed Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***HYMN** *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones* *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim, More glorious than the seraphim, Lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word, Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest, Ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong, All saints triumphant, raise the song,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Minute for Stewardship Carlo Diy

Offertory Anthem *Oh, How Beautiful* John D. Horman

Phyllis Supple, piano

Oh, how beautiful is your dwelling place, Lord of hosts!
My soul longs, even faints for the courts of the Lord,
With heart and soul I cry with joy to the living God.
Even sparrows and swallows find a nest for their young.
And so, O God, your temple calls for your people to come.
Oh, how beautiful is your dwelling place, Lord of hosts!

*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!

(As the symbolic gifts of the people are brought to the table, the elders will take their places for communion.)

***THE PEACE** Sarah J. Finbow

Gathered from places near and far, let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Marilyn T. Hedgpeth and Sam R. Miglarese

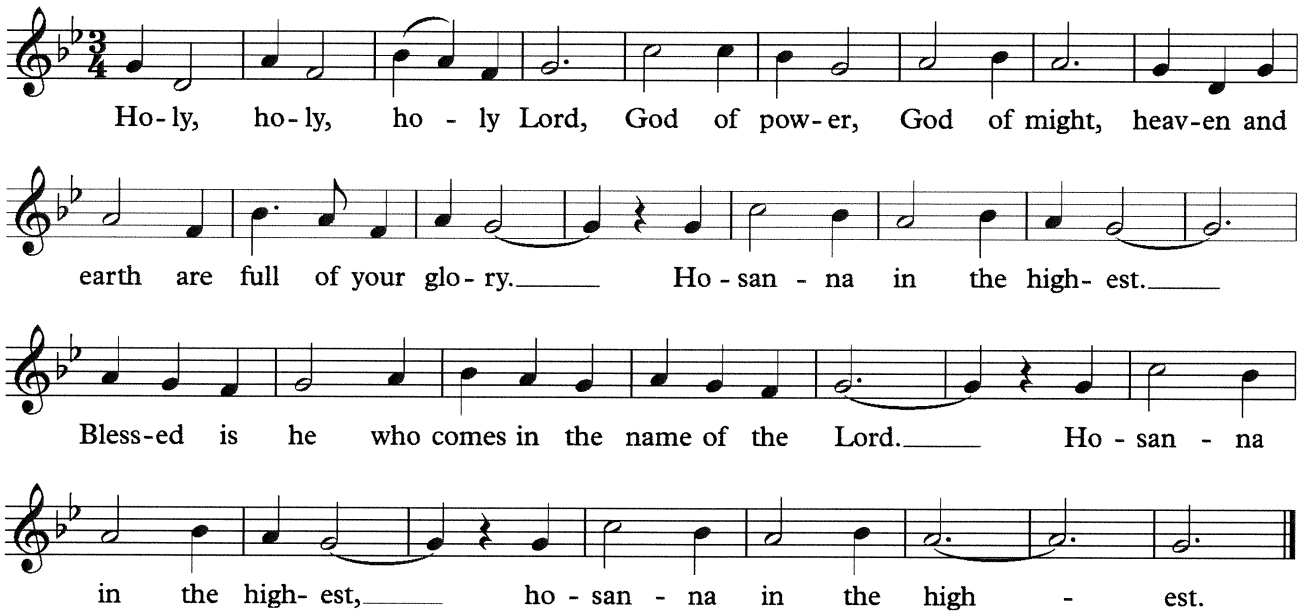
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Leader: Let us give thanks to the One who has gathered us here.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Leader: We praise you for the great multitude of saints that no one can number. From every nation, from all tribes, peoples, and languages, you have gathered us into your realm of peace and set a table of sustenance and love. We are grateful that our communion with you is not a solitary event but includes all your people, and especially our own loved ones and friends, who, having lived with us in their generation, now live eternally with you. With gratitude we name before you our brothers and sisters who have joined the church triumphant this past year:

Wajid Bangura	Glen Gabriel	Howard Knickerbocker	Pat Morgan	Robert Shine
Robert Boss	Jillian Goff	Edward Kwon✞	Gladys Njenga	Mary Smith
William Boulden	Wilbur Gulley, Jr.	Ann Lawson	Justin Radtke✞	Diane Snyder
Seth Greyson Brown✞	David Hester	Anne Leathers✞	Ruth Reed	Robert Taylor
Eugene Chambliss	Brad Holbrook	Verlon Leverett	Jacqueline Robins✞	Ken Teachout
Michael Driver	Wayne House	Dorothy Maness	Jane Rowley	Gerald Thomas
Gene England	Diana Huggin✞	Anne Martin	David Scanlon, III	Jack Trout
Laura Frazier	Sarah Johnson	Frederick Mba	Donald R. Seawell	Andrew Velkey
Robert Fricks	Charles Kamutu	William McClure	John Segee	Hugh Verner
David Frisbee	Melissa Kelso-Walker	Louise Miglarese	BJ Seitzer✞	Alease West

✞ Member of FPC

Leader: For your gifts that have come through the lives of these saints, gifts of love and faith, and challenge and encouragement, we offer you our praise. So join us with the faithful of every age, that strengthened by their witness and supported by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us. With them may we receive an unfading crown of glory when we all stand before your throne of grace and gather round your heavenly table to feast with you in your kingdom. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

All *(sung):* *Sanctus* Haugen



Leader: We come to this table remembering the incarnation and holy life, the passion and death, the resurrection and glorious ascension of our Lord Jesus, which all draw us to this moment. Bless and set apart by your Spirit both us and these gifts of bread and drink, that the bread we break and the cup we lift may be our communion with Christ.

(Prayers of intercession and thanksgiving)

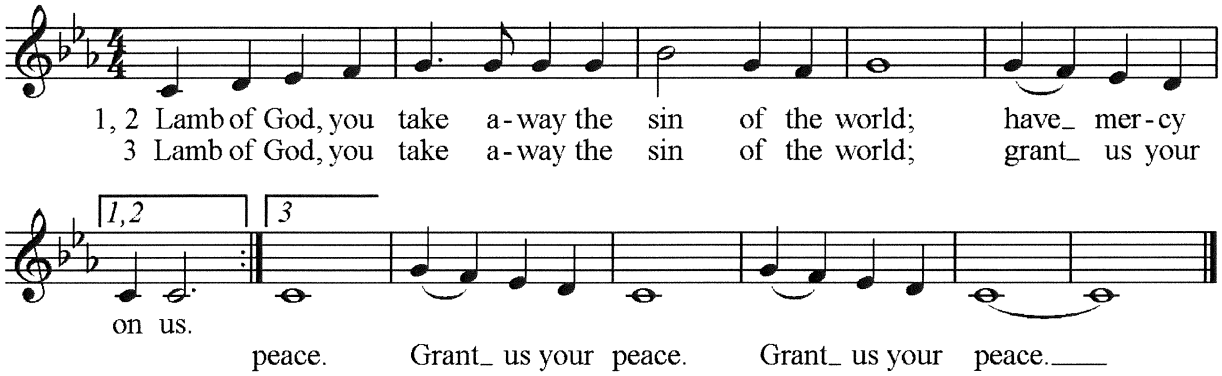
We pray in the name of him who gave his life a ransom for all, our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying:

All: **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.**

THE CONSECRATION Sam R. Miglarese

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP *(Gluten/ peanut-free bread is served at the baptismal font.)*

Agnus Dei



*Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
*People: Amen.

***THE THANKSGIVING AFTER THE SUPPER** Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

Leader: Let us give thanks and sing praise to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**
All: **Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

***HYMN NO. 1** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* *Nicaea*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Marilyn T. Hedgpeth

***POSTLUDE** *Lord, Let Thine Angels Come at Last (Herzlich lieb)* Richard T. Gore

(Parents: the ***Children's Choir*** and youth handbells will rehearse following worship today).

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the ***Ritual of Friendship pad***, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you. On last Sunday, October 25, we welcomed 10 visitors and their children to worship.

Special thanks to handbell players: ***Marilyn Hedgpeth***, ***Sam Henry***, ***Aurelia Klinck***, ***Parker Klinck***, ***Betsy Robinson*** and to ***Phyllis Supple*** for providing music for today's worship.

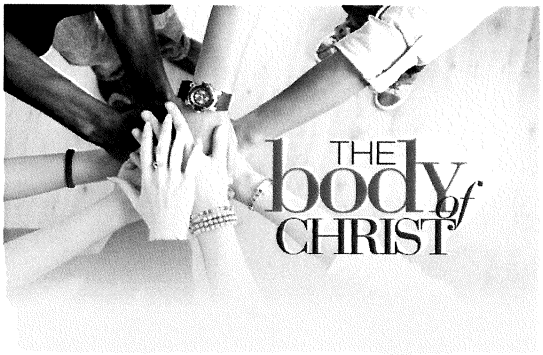
The ***flowers*** in the sanctuary are given by ***Kathy Parkins*** to the glory of God and in memory of ***Justin Radtke***. "All we go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."

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 or return to an usher.

Nursery care for children 3-6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. After the sermon is delivered, these children join worship for the remainder of service. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children and youth. Books, on the pews in the narthex, are for young children to read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

Portions of today's texts were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship*.



"Many People, One Body"

DEDICATION (PLEDGE) SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 8, 2015

9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Scripture Readers' Class
11:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
Marilyn T. Hedgpeth, preaching

Remember to bring your completed pledge card to worship. Cards will be placed on tables at the front of the sanctuary as a symbolic dedication of our pledges and gifts.

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

We extend our sympathies to ***Carol Wills*** on the death of a close friend, ***Verlon Leverett***, who died unexpectedly on October 23rd in Durham.

Roger Kalthoff, husband of Jane Williams
Ron Brewington, uncle of Alex Stayer Brewington
Robin Morey and her friend ***Aquiles Navarro*** who is facing an immigration issue

Paul Cornsweet
Nowell Creadick
Sarah and Pete Finbow
Dewey Lawson
Snell Family

Brookdale Senior Living:
Julian Boswell

Brookdale of Chapel Hill:
Helen Garrison

Croasdaile Village:
Friendship Hall: ***Bob Keever***
Pavilion: ***Anne Davis***, ***Jean Moore***, ***Bob Rankin***, ***Walter and Florence Shackelford***, ***Jerry Tyren***

Hillcrest: ***Randall McLeod***

Forest at Duke: ***Fran Bryant***, ***Joan Englund***, ***Ken Goldner***, ***Peaches McPherson***

- ***Roy Blackwell***, father of Sheila Miglarese
- ***Parker Brown***, nephew of Neil Wilkins
- ***Ruby Brown***, mother of Eugene Brown
- ***Roger Durham***, father of Emily Durham
- ***Genie V. Martin***, cousin of Emily Wilkins
- ***Brooks Minks***, grandmother of Lucie House
- ***Lindsay Morris***, sister of Emily McClure
- ***Edward Robinson***, brother of Joe Robinson
- ***Jean Robinson***, mother of John Robinson
- ***Ryan Schlecht***, grandson of Ken and Mary Jo Schlecht
- ***Judy and Chris Wood***, mother and stepfather of Sharon Hirsch

The Week at a Glance!

Later Today	**Monday, November 2**	**Tuesday, November 3**	**Wednesday, November 4**
After Worship: Children's Choir Youth Bells **3:00 – 4:30 PM** Bible Study at Croasdaile Village **5:00 – 8:00 PM** Youth Groups	**10:30 AM** Presbyterian Women Circle and Bible Study **5:00 PM** Bell Choir	**1 PM** Worship Planning **2:00 PM** FPC Program Staff Election Day	**7:00 PM** Chancel Choir
Thursday, November 5	**Friday, November 6** **10:30 AM – 12 Noon** Bible Study **6:30 PM** First Friends Potluck (adults only) at the Hirsch home World Community Day	**Saturday, November 7**	**Sunday, November 8** ***32rd Sunday Ordinary Time*** ***Dedication (Pledge) Sunday*** **9:45 AM**. Sunday School / Scripture Readers' Class **10:55 AM** Announcements **11:00 AM** Worship **After Worship:** Youth Handbells **No Children's Choir** **No Shape Note Choir** **3:00 PM – 4:30 PM** Bible Study at Croasdaile Village **5:00 – 8:00 PM** All Youth (Groups combined - rehearse for Youth Sunday)

Today's ***bulletin cover*** depicts the entrance to the Memorial Garden at First Presbyterian Church, dedicated June 24, 1984 to the glory of God, the Creator and Keeper of life. The photo is courtesy of David Smith.

~ Serving Today ~

Acolytes: ***Almira Mbah***
Crucifer: ***Maryn Leonard***, ***Griffin Momsen-Hudson***
Croasdaile Driver: ***Paul Cornsweet***
Narthex Greeter: ***Delia Kwon***
After Worship Greeters: ***Kate Busa*** (rear/narthex), ***Bob Breitweiser*** (side/ font)
Ushers: ***Chris Brown*** (head), ***Dick Boulden*** (flowers), ***Keith Merritt, Lisa Rist, Cris Rivera, Leslie McDow***
Communion Elders: ***Wes Carson*** - Head / Replenish Elements

Beth Eisenson - Bread 1 / Process Bread
Emily Durham Diy - Bread 2
Bob Breitweiser – Cup 1
Will McDow – Cup 2 / Process
Michael Schultz – Shepherd font aisle
Jane Williams – Shepherd pulpit aisle
Aurelia Klinck – Bread 3
Kristin Meade – Bread 4
Joseph Ngumi – Cup 3
Caroline Rourk – Cup 4
Talitha Kwon – Shepherd center aisle