

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

(In preparation for worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mindy Douglas

Ritual of Friendship

**PRELUDE** 

Awake, My Heart, With Gladness

F. Peeters

INTROIT

Ye Holy Angels Bright

Darwall

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 Savior's face.

God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

(Those who are able, please stand for the Call to Worship.)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 34)

Bob Yoder

Leader: I will extol the Lord at all times;

People: God's praise will always be on our lips.

Leader: My soul will boast in the Lord.

People: Let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Leader: Glorify the Lord with me;

People: Let us exalt God's name together. Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good;

People: Blessed are the ones who take refuge in the Lord.

All: Let us worship God.

\*Processional Hymn No. 612

We Praise You, O God

Kremser

# \*Confession of Sin (remain standing)

**Bob Yoder** 

Call to Prayer

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 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

<sup>\*</sup> Those who are able, please stand.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY Jeanne Hervey

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Holy God, you have called witnesses from every nation and revealed your glory

in their lives. Grant to us the same faith and love that, following their example, we may be sustained by their fellowship and rejoice in their triumph; through

**Iesus Christ our Lord. Amen.** 

**GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 5:1-12 (Pew Bible, NT Page 4)

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

**EPISTLE LESSON** Revelation 7:9-17 (Pew Bible, NT Page 249)

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

**SERMON** "Invisible Saints" Marilyn Hedgpeth

\*Hymn No. 730 I Sing A Song of the Saints of God

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during hymn.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Marilyn Hedgpeth

> (No Children's Choir rehearsal today. Children may join their parents in the pew following "A Time with the Children," or return to the nursery.)

\*THE PEACE Sam Miglarese

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS** 

Offertory Anthem Saints Bound for Heaven Trad. American tune, arr. Parker/Shaw

Our bondage it shall end by and by.

From Egypt's yoke set free, hail the glorious jubilee,

And to Canaan we'll return by and by.

Our Deliv'rer he shall come by and by.

And our sorrows have an end with our three-score years and ten.

And vast glory crown the day by and by.

And when to Jordan's floods we are come,

Jehovah rules the tide and the waters He'll divide. And the ransom'd host shall shout we are come.

Then with all the happy throng we'll rejoice!

Shouting Glory to our King till the vaults of heaven ring,

And through all eternity we'll rejoice

\*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

Grand Isle

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!

Mindy Douglas

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader:

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 Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Creating and redeeming God, in Adam, Abraham, and Moses, in Deborah, Esther, and Mary, you have chosen not simply to direct the course of events but to be in relationship with us and to entrust your children with the embodiment and exercise of your will. In the dying and rising Christ, you give us not just a savior but an example, and in every generation you call people to imitate the pattern of his life and death, and so witness to your glory. You call us to be not heroes who go it alone but saints whose every breath depends on others and on you. We rejoice that these saints take their place in the company of heaven, to join in singing the unending hymns of your joy and praise. Hear now the names of those we have loved who have joined the church triumphant this past year:

Perry Allen O. Joseph Fleming, II Charlie McWhirter Alyce Anglin Stanley Fricks ₱Jean Moore Antoinette Bloom *♦Eunice (Ken) Goldner* Arlene Morey Mildred Bolen Susan Hamlin Iane Lewis Nelson Ruby Brown **†**Helen Ioanne Harrar *♦ Robin Kramer Puckett* Carlene Kinlaw Burns Kendra Harrington Margaret Pfeiler Evelyn Leight Churn Katie Hough Barbara Ruthjen ♦Sarah Cox Ellie Johnson Becky Smith *♦*Anna Currie The Rev. Dr. Joseph Whitner Kennedy Francis Snell Rodger W. Durham Robert Kost *♦Geraldine (Jerry) Tyren* Louise Dyke Kit McCoy Little Ted Wish Albert F. Eldridge **†**Randall Alexander McLeod Virgil Sales Yalong, Jr. Tom York † member of FPC

Leader:

Transforming God, in this gathering you take the fruit of the vine and human hands and make them a blessing for your people now and forever. As our earthly bodies decay and die, and resemble your Son's body taken down from the cross, send your Spirit and remake us in the image of your Son's resurrected body, that our scars may become signs of your glory and our hearts may be one with yours. Sanctify this bread and cup that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Great is the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader:

Resurrecting God, bless those who mourn, that they may be comforted. Bless the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven. Bless the pure in heart, that they may see you. Visit those who face death amid persecution and violence, that they may know the gladness and rejoicing of your kingdom. Be close to any who end their days in agony and isolation, that they may enter the joy of their reward. Where your children feel all is lost, meet them in their fear and touch them in their loneliness. Raise them by your mercy, so that on the last day, when you bring a new heaven and a new earth, they may discover you as an infinite circle whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere, and be changed from glory to glory, with and by you.

(Prayers of intercession and thanksgiving)

All:

... Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup (Peanut- and gluten-free bread is served by the baptismal font)

Communion Hymn No. 402 (all sing) How Lovely, Lord

Merle's Tune

How lovely, Lord, how lovely is your abiding place; My soul is longing, fainting, to feast upon your grace. The sparrow finds a shelter, a place to build her nest; And so your temple calls us within its walls to rest.

In your blest courts to worship, O God, a single day
Is better than a thousand if I from you should stray.
I'd rather keep the entrance and claim you as my Lord
Than revel in the riches the ways of sin afford.

A sun and shield forever are you, O Lord Most High; You shower us with blessings; no good will you deny.

The saints, your grace receiving, from strength to strength shall go,

And from their life shall rivers of blessing overflow.

(Please stand)

## \*Prayer After Communion

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

All: Loving God. v

Loving God, we thank you that you have gathered us with all the saints in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

\*Hymn No. 326

For All the Saints Sine Nomine

\*Benediction Marilyn Hedgpeth

\*Postlude

The Heavens Declare

B. Marcello

Reminder to members: as you leave the sanctuary, there will be containers at the Main Street doors and in the foyer to deposit your name tag for availability on the next Sunday.

*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 <u>return it to the starting point</u>, noting the names of those sitting near you. On October 29, we welcomed 17 visitors to worship.

We are grateful for *Gordon Campbell*, organist, and for his leadership to the Chancel Choir while *Kathy Parkins* is away.

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God by *Kathy Parkins* and in memory of those who have lost their struggle with mental illness. "But as for them, they shall behold thy presence in righteousness; and when they awake up after thy likeness, they shall be satisfied" (Psalm 17).

THE LORD'S PRAYER when Holy Communion is celebrated: From the beginning, one of the hallmarks of Reformed worship has been liturgy in the vernacular—in the common language of the people of God. Many, however, continue to use the language of another era (the Tudor dynasty) when praying the prayer Jesus taught. We hope that, by using this ecumenical version, new generations will learn and understand this prayer in a fresh way. Of course, you may always choose to pray in the words closest to your heart, be those words debts or trespasses.

**Childcare for infant through 6-years of age** is provided during worship on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. This Sunday, children ages 3-6 will join worship for "A Time with the Children," after which they should join their parent(s) in the pews or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants–2 years continues in the nursery for all of worship. 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 narthex and foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

*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.

Portions of today's *worship texts* were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship, Daily Prayers*, and *Eucharistic Prayers*.

The *bulletin cover* is a photo of an "All Saints and All Souls" observance in Poland. Retrieved November 3, 2017 from: https://www.tripsavvy.com/all-saints-day-in-poland-and-lithuania-1501900

# Vespers for All Souls and in Remembrance of the Homeless 6:00 p.m. today at Binkley Memorial Baptist Church, Chapel Hill Mindy Douglas, preaching

The Olin T. Binkley Memorial Baptist Church, in partnership with The Inter-Faith Council, offers a service of VESPERS for ALL SOULS and in Remembrance of the Homeless. Music provided by The Binkley Chancel Choir and The NC Boys Choir. Binkley Memorial Baptist Church is located at 1712 Willow Drive, Chapel Hill. All are welcome.

# SPECIAL REMINDER: FPC will be a polling place this week!

On **Tuesday, November 7**, FPC will serve as a polling place for Durham residents. We recommend that you contact the church staff by phone or e-mail that day as there will be little, if any, parking available at FPC during regular hours. The Day School will operate on its normal schedule. Please contact **Tom Bloom**, Business Administrator, at *t.bloom@firstpres-durham.org* if you have questions.



The **Pastoral Care Committee** is assembling care packages for our college students and young adults away serving our country. You are invited to support this project by bringing in flat items for the packages — gum, hot cocoa, microwave popcorn, hard candy, granola bars, puzzles or joke books, etc. Baskets are labeled at the Mission Collection Center in the foyer for your donations. **Items are needed by Sunday, November 26.** The care packages will be sent the week after Thanksgiving. Parents, remember to update your student's college address to ensure a timely delivery of the care package.

## **Care Team Opportunity**

A new Care Team is forming for *Phillip Herndon* who joined the church last winter. Many of you have had the chance to meet him in Sunday school, worship, or at fellowship meals. He recently moved into his own apartment and is doing well. However, we need a few more folks on his team to help make sure he remains as independent as he wants and needs to be. Serving on a Care Team means doing as you are willing, able, and available. Contact *Susan Dunlap* by email (sjd4@duke.edu) if you wish to serve on Phillip's team.

#### ~ Our Concerns ~

We extend sympathies to *William* (husband) and *Deems and Patrick Currie* (sons) on the loss of FPC member *Anna Currie*, who died October 31. An interment service will be held at 12:30 p.m. next Sunday, November 12 in the FPC Memorial Garden. A reception will follow in the East Parlor.

Added this week: Marc Crawford, friend of Ricky and Brianna Bennett

Sallie Robinson, friend of Kerry Holbrook

Jerry Walter, friend of Brian and Jeannette Castle

Paul Cornsweet Charles Hammond Natalie Hansel Bill Lorimer Julie Maxwell

Atria Senior Living: **Peggy Mordecai**, mother of Beth Eisenson

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): Julian Boswell

Croasdaile Village: Bette Conroy, Bob Keever, Bob Rankin, Florence Shackelford

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point (Durham): Helen Garrison The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson

#### Family and Friends of FPC Members and Staff:

George Bernhardt III, son of George & Jo Bernhardt and U.S. soldier stationed in South Korea

Laura Brannon, cousin of Libby Gulley

Claiborne Clark, son of Arthur & Mary Clark

Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings

Lillie E., student of Delia Kwon

Lindsay Efland, friend of Cherrie Henry

Dell McMillian, brother-in-law of Valerie McMillian

Danny Parker, Al & Judy Arrowood's son's father-in-law

Vickie Tobey, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman

Rev. J.C. Williams, friend of Steve & Martha Rimmer

Asher Wilson, grandson of Chuck & Jean Wilson

Christina Z., mother of Franzi Rokoske

The Week at a Glance!			
Later Today 5:00 - 8:00 PM	Monday, November 6	Tuesday, November 7	Wednesday, November 8
Youth Groups 6:00 PM Vespers Service at	10:30 AM Presbyterian Women Circle and Bible Study	Dept Vocel	<b>5:30 PM</b> Christian Education Committee
Binkley Memorial BC, Chapel Hill	<b>1:30 PM</b> Investment Sub-Committee	Election Day (FPC is a polling location) 1:30 PM Plan Worship	6:00 PM Budget Working Group 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
	5:00 PM Bell Choir	2:30 PM Program Staff	7.00 FM Chancel Chon
	<b>6:30 PM</b> Service & Mission Committee	<b>5:30 PM</b> Stewardship Committee	
Thursday, November 9	Friday, November 10	Saturday, November 11	Sunday, November 12 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time
	10:30 AM - Noon	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	9:45 AM Sunday School
	Book & Bible Study 6:30 PM Scratch/Young Adults	"Presence is Power" Non-Violence Training	<b>11:00 AM</b> Worship & Baptism (New members rec'd)
	Soup Night at Andy & Cherrie Henry's home	Votoven's Dev	<b>12:30 PM</b> Interment Service for Anna Currie
	First Presbyterian Day School Closed in	Veteran's Day	(FPC Memorial Garden)
	observance of Veteran's Day		<b>2:00 – 4:00 PM</b> Triangle Shape Note Singers
	holiday		<b>5:00 – 8:00 PM</b> All Youth

## ~ Serving Today ~

Acolytes: *Sheya Wehrman, Laura McDow* Crucifer: *Minna Fullenkamp* Liturgists: *Jeanne Hervey, Bob Yoder* Narthex Greeter: *Delia Kwon* 

After Worship Greeters: *Ellie Dilworth* (narthex/rear); *Brent Curtis* (side/font)

Ushers: Julie Whiddon (head), Mary-Jo Keenan (flowers), Karen Swope, Alissa Miles,

Jane Williams, Andy Henry

Communion Elders: Head elder (replenish elements): Al Arrowood Bread: Ellie Dilworth, Delia Kwon, Gray Wilson, Alice Raney

Cup: Cris Rivera, Sigfried Fullenkamp, Lenore Champion, Tyler Momsen-Hudson)

Shepherds: Eric Wiebe (pulpit aisle), Barbara Buckley (center aisle), Gerald Postema (font aisle)

## ~ Church Staff ~

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator Robert Daye, Sexton Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate Sarah Finbow, Youth Minister



Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music