A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

Christ Lag in Todesbanden
J.S. Bach

INTROIT

Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice
Moravian Chorale, Hayn

Jesus makes my heart rejoice, I’m his sheep and know his voice;
He’s a Shepherd, kind and gracious, and his pastures are delicious;
Constant love to me he shows, yea, my very name he knows.

Trusting his mild staff always, I go in and out in peace;
He will feed me with the treasure of his grace in richest measure;
When a-thirst to him I cry, living water he’ll supply.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: John saw a multitude from every land, and tribe, and nation.
People: Glory and power be to our God forever and ever!
Leader: The angels fell on their faces and worshiped the Lord.
People: Glory and power be to our God forever and ever!
Leader: The shepherd will guide the flock to the springs of water,
and wipe away every tear from their eyes.
All: Glory and power be to our God forever and ever! Amen!

PROCESIONAL HYMN NO. 369

Blessing and Honor
O Quanta Qualia

CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

Call to Prayer
Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace,
and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways.
Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace.
Amen.

(silent confession)

Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Almighty God, to whom all honor belongs, you have gathered a people from every
tribe and language to praise your name eternally. Join our song with all of heaven
as we worship you this day in the glorious light of Christ. Amen.

* Those who are able, please stand.
FIRST LESSON  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God!  
John 10:22-30 (Pew Bible, NT Page 104)

SECOND LESSON  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God!  
Revelation 7:9-17 (Pew Bible, NT Page 249)

SERMON  
"What Heaven Looks Like"  
Mindy Douglas

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH  
(from Psalm 23, KJV)  
John Weicher

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

HYMN NO. 803  
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need  
Resignation  
Sam Miglarese

THE PEACE  
As we pass the peace, please be mindful that signs of hospitality and reconciliation may be expressed verbally.  
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.  
People: And also with you.  
(Children through 1st grade enter worship during The Peace.)  
John Weicher

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN  
(Children may join their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)  
John Weicher

SABBATICAL COMMISSIONING OF MINDY DOUGLAS AND THE CHURCH  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

Response (Hymn No. 8, verse 4)  
Eternal Father, Strong to Save  
Melita  
O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour;  
from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;  
thus evermore shall rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

JOYS AND CONCERNS  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER  
Leader: For the lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
People: And he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.  
Leader: Let us pray.  
(Revelation 7:17)  
(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

. . . 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.
DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS
Invitation to the Offering
Offertory Anthem

Wondrous Love
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
That caused the Lord of life to bear the heavy cross,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
That Christ should lay aside His crown for my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

*Doxology with Alleluias

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!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People: Amen.
All: Holy God, Divine Shepherd, you anoint us with the oil of gladness; your love overflows our hearts. Accept our offering for the good of the world as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 547
Go, My Children, with My Blessing
Ar Hyd Y Nos

*BENEDICTION
Mindy Douglas

*POSTLUDE
Toccata in G
Pachelbel

A Mother’s Day Luncheon will be held today following worship in Watts-Hill Hall. Dessert will include a special cake for Mindy, baked by Cora Williamson. Thank you for making a reservation for your family. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

Reminder to Parents: the Children’s Choir will practice in the choir room from 12:15-12:45 today. For parents attending the Mother’s Day luncheon, your children will join you in Watts-Hill Hall after practice.

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 Sunday, May 5, we welcomed 18 visitors to worship.

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Wendy and Mac McCorkle in memory of Sarah Hall Johnson and in honor of Elinor Weathersby McCorkle and mothers everywhere.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following “A Time with Children,” children can remain in worship with their parents/guardians or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues all of worship 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 are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of today’s worship texts were reprinted from Feasting on the Word and Call to Worship.

Interested in joining this church?
The current series of Membership Inquiry classes will meet (last one) next Sunday, May 19 from 9:45 – 10:45 in the Wilson Parlor. We do not require anyone to take classes before joining; rather you are welcome to join at any time. Just let one of the pastors know when you are ready. Contact Marilyn Hedgpeth for more information on how to become a member: m.hedgpeth@firstpres-durham.org or 919-682-5511 ext. 220.

Parents’ Night Out
The next Parents’ Night Out will take place Sunday, May 19, from 4:45 – 6:15 p.m. Children will get to meet “the robot” and the brains behind it, Sigfried Fullenkamp. We will eat a light dinner and play outside if the weather is good. Parents will slip away down the street for some burgers, refreshments and fellowship together. Let Marilyn Hedgpeth know if you are able to join us.

Calling All Graduates
FPC will recognize graduates again this year with a special bulletin insert in June. If you or someone in your family or household is graduating from college or high school this spring, help us share the good news. Please submit your graduate’s information to the church office by email to: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org or leave the information in Valerie's mailbox at the church. The deadline for graduate information is May 24.

~ Prayer Concerns ~

Students and faculty (and their families) affected by recent gun violence at UNC-Charlotte and in Denver CO

Caroline Rourk, preparing for hip replacement surgery

Recovering at Home:
Margaret Mubanga
Joseph Ngumi
Franzi Rokoske (and her mother)
Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:
Brookdale Durham: Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett
Croasdale Pavilion: Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin
Durham Regent: John Kerr, Ann Prospero
Pruitt Health (Carolina Point, Durham): Helen Garrison
The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant

Family and Friends of the Congregation:
Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood
Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss
Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King
Heath Huberg, friend of Kathy Parkins
Roger Kalthoff, husband of Jane Williams
Patrick Kimiti, friend of Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett (in Kenya)
Charlie Ramos, great-nephew of Nora Tubbs Tisdale
Don Smith, recovering from the gas explosion near Brightleaf
Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss
Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey
LOCAL MISSIONS

WELCOMING OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

On Sunday mornings First Presbyterian Church (FPC) gives thanks for those God brings our way and wants to welcome all people with warmth and hospitality, regardless of their life circumstance. Occasionally, a visitor may ask for money or food. Members and friends want to help, but may not know what the right response should be.

In order to help our members and friends receive our visitors with grace and love, while also recognizing certain restrictions and boundaries we have on Sundays, we recently compiled the following information for those times when a visitor asks for assistance:

a. **Food, immediately**: Free, hot lunch is available on Saturdays and Sundays from 12:30-1:30 at Urban Ministries of Durham.* Blessing bags (i.e. snack bags) from FPC are available only during the week.

b. **Food, long term**: Urban Ministries of Durham Food Pantry is open 9-11 a.m. Mon-Thurs. They provide three meals a day, every day.* No one should be hungry in Durham.

c. **Clothing**: Urban Ministries of Durham clothes closet open 9-11 a.m. Mon-Thurs.

d. **Bus passes**: Along with other forms of assistance, bus passes can be requested at FPC on Mondays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. and noon at our Walk-in Ministry. We do not offer this assistance on Sundays.

e. **Requests for money**: For many reasons, please do not give out cash. **FPC does not give cash.**

f. **Request to meet with pastor**: Pastoral appointments can be made through our Monday and Thursday Walk-in Ministry volunteers.

g. **Needing prayer or prayerful listening**: We are working on putting together a prayer team that will be available following worship for those who need prayer or someone to just talk to for a bit. Stay tuned for more information!

The **FPC Walk-in Ministry** offers prayer, support, guidance, and assistance in many forms on **Monday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. -12 noon**. When in doubt about how to offer assistance, please direct individuals to this important ministry of the church.

Most of all, we want to always treat our visitors with dignity and respect, showing kindness and compassion and giving a listening ear. If at any time, however, someone becomes agitated or angry, please ask them to leave or find someone else who can ask them to leave.

*Urban Ministries of Durham is located on 410 Liberty Street, behind St. Philip’s Episcopal Church, one block from the FPC parking lot. Mon-Fri – breakfast and lunch bag 8-9 a.m., dinner 7-8 p.m., Sat-Sun – breakfast 9:30-10:30 a.m., lunch 12:30-1:30 p.m., dinner 7-8 p.m.

**Note**: Your stewardship dollars provide financial support to Urban Ministries through our Service and Mission budget.
1 Blessing and honor and glory and power,
2 Let all the heavens sound forth Jesus’ name;
3 Ever ascending the song and the joy,
4 Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;

Wisdom and riches and strength evermore,
let all the earth sing his glory and fame.
ever descending the love from on high;
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;

be to the Lamb who our battle has won,
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower
blessing and honor and glory and praise:
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,

whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.
echo these praises and tell of God’s power.
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
dying in weakness but rising to reign.
1 My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
2 When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my stay;
3 The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;

In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
One word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.

He brings my wandering spirit back when I for-sake his ways,
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread;
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;

and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my head.
no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.
1 Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
2 O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissively heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and own amid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
3 O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude, and bade its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
4 O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wherever they go; thus evermore shall rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.
1 “Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
ever. Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

2 “Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son’s story; here you touched him, saw his glory.
glory. Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

3 “Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you; here my tender comfort
stilled you. Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”
~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Izzy Pleasant*
Narthex Greeter: *Maxie Honeycutt, El Hess*
After Worship Greeter: *Alice Raney* (side/font)
Ushers: *Julie Whidden* (head), *Emily Wilkins, John Mozart, El Hess*

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| Walk-in Ministry      |
| Client Interviews     |
| 5:30 – 6:30 PM        |
| Day School Board      |
| Committee             |
| 6:30 – 7:30 PM        |
| Day School Board      |
| **Friday, May 17**    |
| 7:00 – 9:00 AM        |
| FPC serving breakfast |
| at Durham Urban       |
| Ministries            |
| **Saturday, May 18**  |
| 11:00 AM              |
| Bob Velkey Memorial   |
| Service (sanctuary)   |
| followed by a reception (Watts-Hill Hall) |
| 6:00 PM               |
| First Friends Potluck |
| (adults only - at the home of Jancy Johnstone) |

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