FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 14, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
WITH A SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRELUDE

Prayer of Saint Gregory  
Alan Hovhaness

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:  O God, who created the heavens,
People:  And fashioned the earth and all that lives here. We praise you!
Leader:  You give breath to the people upon it,
People:  And Spirit to those who walk on it. We praise and thank you, O God!
Leader:  That the eyes of the blind be opened,
People:  The broken-hearted be healed, the poor hear the good news, the captives be brought out of darkness. Your kingdom come, O Lord. Your will be done.
Leader:  So shall we sing a new song, O Lord.
All:  And praise your name forever.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 645  
Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above  
Mit Freuden Zart

*THE PEACE

Marilyn Hedgpeth

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

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Mary Berry

Leader:  The Lord be with you.
People:  And also with you.
Leader:  Let us pray.
All:  Merciful God, you have prepared for all who love you, such good things as to pass our understanding. Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 29:13-20  
(Pew Bible, OT page 657)

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 7:1-8, 14-23  
(Pew Bible, NT Page 42)

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

SERMON

“Walls, Stomachs, and Hearts”  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

(A moment for meditation.)

*HYMN NO. 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian  
I Want To Be A Christian

*Those who are able, please stand.
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Leader: Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you;
People: He will never permit the righteous to be moved. (from Psalm 55:22)
Leader: Let us pray.

(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 Music

Rhosymedre R. Vaughan Williams, arr. Chuck Seipp

*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!

(Children through first grade enter worship during the singing of the Doxology.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People: Amen.
All: Source of everlasting light, send forth your truth into our hearts and make your face shine on us, that in giving thanks in your house we may come to your eternal dwelling on high, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Marilyn Hedgpeth)

(Following “A Time with the Children,” children may join their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)

SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

INTRODUCTION

*MISCELLANEOUS

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Eternal God, source of all mercy: by our many sins we have spurned your love, and spoiled your image in us. We are ashamed and repent in sorrow. Forgive us and cleanse us of our sins. In Jesus’ name, hear our prayer.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Jesus said, “Come to me all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.” May Almighty God, who is loving and merciful, forgive us our sins and free us from guilt; deliver us from evil, lifting away our burdens to strengthen us in his service; and keep us in life, abundant and eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)
LAYING ON OF HANDS

Leader: O Christ our Lord, as in times past, not all the sick and suffering found their way to your side, but had to have their hands taken, or their bodies carried, or their names mentioned. So we, confident of your goodness, bring ourselves and others to you. As in times past, you looked at the faith of friends and let peace and healing be known. Look on our faith, even our little faith.

People: Let your kingdom come!
Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, lover of all,
People: Bring healing, bring peace.

(As the solo is sung, the congregation is invited to come and bring with you your request for blessings sheet to one of the stations at the front or back of the sanctuary for the laying on of hands.)

Solo

There Is a Balm in Gilead

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work’s in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

Don’t ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend,
And if you lack for knowledge, he’ll not refuse to lend.

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, “He died for all.”

Kate Busa, soprano

*CLOSING PRAYER

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad,
People: For the grace of God that brings wholeness, has appeared to all.
All: Eternal God, comforter of the afflicted and healer of the broken, we thank you that you have met us at our point of need. Grant that we, who are being made whole, may channel your healing love to your damaged and broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*NHYMN NO. 643

Now Thank We All Our God
Nun Danket Alle Gott

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Marilyn Hedgpeth

*POSTLUDE

Festival Postlude on “Thaxted”
Gustav Holst, arr. David Pettit

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 July 7th, we welcomed 37 visitors to worship.

Music notes: The Chancel Choir is on a much deserved vacation until the end of August. Special thanks to Alex Fioto (trumpet) and Kate Busa (soprano) for their music leadership of today’s worship service. We also thank Gordon Campbell (organ) for playing for Kathy Parkins who is on vacation.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Alice Raney to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Thomas Blount Fuller Raney.

Portions of today’s worship text were reprinted from the Book of Common Worship (2018).
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 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. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Free copies of These Days devotional booklets for July – September 2019, in regular and large print, are available from the tables in the foyer and narthex.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Cookie/Brownie Bakers needed: Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church is hosting the Stated Meeting of New Hope Presbytery on Tuesday, July 23, and they would like volunteers from all of the Durham Presbyterian churches to provide hospitality. FPC has been asked to bake two dozen cookies or brownies for lunch (which will include about 125 people). Please let Marilyn Hedgpeth know if you can help. You may drop the baked goods at FPC, and Marilyn will deliver them to the Presbytery meeting.

Greeters/Ushers needed: FPC is hosting the regular monthly business meeting of the Durham Branch NAACP on Sunday, July 28 at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you would like to help provide hospitality as a greeter, usher, or devotional leader, please contact Tyler Momsen-Hudson or Tom Bacon. The Durham branch NAACP and its meetings are open to anyone who wishes to support the organization.

PROPOSED TRIP TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

A group of First Presbyterians is planning a trip to the National Memorial for Peace and Justice and The Legacy Museum in Montgomery either the weekend of October 11-13 or 18-20. Details regarding transportation and lodging are to be determined. If you are interested in learning more please contact Kathy Conner (919-451-5445) or Eric Wiebe (919-656-0886). Link to information about the museum: https://museumandmemorial.eji.org/

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

Added this week: Ralph Edwards, grandfather of Amy Wilson

Traveling mercies:
Lenore Champion and Laura McDow (Indiana)
Mindy Douglas and Tim O’Brien (South Africa)
Emily Wilkins (Puerto Rico)

Home:
Judy Arrowood
Doug Butler

Diana Carrasco
Harold Dunlap
Margaret Mubanga
Joseph Ngumi
Phyllis Supple
Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

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

Family and Friends of the Congregation:
Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood
Rebecca Aysque, friend of Christy Gudaitis
Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss
Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King
Drew Doll, friend of FPC

Dennis Hill, friend of FPC
Ngugi Mbogua, brother of Mary Gitata
Doug Neece, brother of Vernon Neece
Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss
Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey
UPCOMING

Sunday, July 28
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
Hunger for Change Offering received
Jennifer Copeland, preaching
4:00 p.m. FPC hosting Durham NAACP meeting
Tyler Momsen-Hudson and Tom Bacon, coordinators

Saturday, August 3
Trip to the International Civil Rights Museum in Greensboro
Cheryl Henry, FPC coordinator

Sunday, August 4
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion
Mary Berry, preaching

Sunday, August 11
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Baptism
New members received
Sam Miglarese, preaching

Sunday, August 18
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
Special music by the Interfaith Prison Ministry Choir
Marilyn Hedgpeth, preaching

Sunday, August 25
9:45 a.m. Sunday School Fall Kickoff/ Promotion Day
11:00 a.m. Worship
Mindy Douglas, preaching
1 Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
2 What God's almighty power has made God's gracious mercy keepeth; by morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. With our peace and joy and blessing, as healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless
3 The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, my voice unwearied raises. Be in the kingdom of God's might, lo! all is just and with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body,
murmur stilled:
all is right:
chosen band:
take your part:
to God all praise and glory!
1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
2 Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
3 Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
4 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
who, from our mothers’ arms, hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in God’s grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
the God who was, and is, and shall be ever more.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
who, from our mothers’ arms, hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in God’s grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
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and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
the God who was, and is, and shall be ever more.

3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
who, from our mothers’ arms, hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in God’s grace, and guide us when perplexed,
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## The Week at a Glance!

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### CHURCH STAFF

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator  
Vernon Cooper, Administrative Support  
Robert Daye, Sexton  
Mindy Douglas, Pastor (on sabbatical)  
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate  
Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor  

Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate  
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator  
Sam Miglarose, Associate Pastor  
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music  
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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