First Presbyterian Church
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 28, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRELUDE

Adagio

Frank Bridge

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19 and Psalm 24)

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God.
People: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
Leader: The plants and trees show God's presence.
People: Let us join with creation in praising God.
Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
People: the world and those who live in it.
Leader: God has founded it on the seas,
People: and established in on the rivers.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

John Weicher

Call to Prayer
Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil.
You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You
call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight
pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near.
Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and
strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

Silent Confession
Response

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

Marilyn Biery

Kate Busa, Soprano

Come. Come to me, O weary Traveler: come to me with your distress:
Come to me, you heavy burdened: come to me and find your rest.
Come. Rest in me, O weary traveler, rest in me and do not fear.
Rest in me, my heart is gentle: rest and cast away your care. Come to me.

Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Carl Rist

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in
all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may
show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

* Those who are able, please stand.
GOSPEL LESSON
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

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

SERMON
“Being Different”
Jennifer Copeland
(A moment for meditation.)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
An Hispanic Creed
Marilyn Hedgpeth

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. 756
O God of Every Nation
Llangloffan

(Children through first grade are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during “The Peace”
and sit on the floor for “A Time with the Children.” Their parents are invited to join them on the front pew.)

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

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN
Cherrie Henry

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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
Sam Miglarese

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
Sam Miglarese

Leader: If God is for us, who can be against us?
People: Nothing can separate us from God’s love.

(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
Sam Miglarese
Offertory Solo  
 Brother James’ Air  
 James Leith Macbeth Bain  
 Kate Busa-Soprano  

_The Lord’s my shepherd I’ll not want. He makes me down to lie in pastures green;_  
_He leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, He leadeth me the quiet waters by._  

_My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness,_  
_E’en for his own name’s sake: within the paths of righteousness, e’en for his own name’s sake._  

_Yea, though I walk in death’s dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; For thou art with me,_  
_and thy rod and staff me comfort still, for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still._  

_Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God’s house_  
_for evermore my dwelling place shall be, and in God’s house my dwelling place shall be._

_(You are invited to come forward with your Hungry for Change Offering following the offertory solo.)_

*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!_

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People:** It is right to offer thanks and praise.  
**All:** Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family.  
Give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**HYMN NO. 372**  
_O for a World_  
**Azmon**

**Benediction**

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_Jennifer Copeland_

**POSTLUDE**

_Chorale Postlude_  
Healey Willan

**FPC Hosting Durham NAACP later today . . .**

FPC is hosting the regular monthly business meeting of the Durham Branch NAACP later today at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The Durham branch NAACP and its meetings are open to anyone who wishes to support the organization. As you exit your pew today, please kindly recycle your bulletin and pick up any inserts, children’s drawings, personal trash, etc. and take these with you. Returning hymnals and Bibles to the pew racks is also very helpful. Thank you for leaving the sanctuary presentable for our guests.

**Open House Invitation**

Housing for New Hope invites the FPC congregation to a Community Open House of one of its newly renovated workforce properties, Holloway Place (formerly Dove House), today until 5:00 p.m. The property is located at 1406 Holloway Street and will be home to seven single women. FPC helped furnish one of the rooms.

**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 21, we welcomed 30 visitors to worship.
We welcome to the pulpit today the Rev. Jennifer Copeland. An ordained United Methodist pastor, Rev. Copeland currently serves as Executive Director of the North Carolina Council of Churches. She holds a BA, an MDiv, a Graduate Certificate in Women’s Studies, and a PhD, all from Duke University. Her professional background includes both parish and campus ministry.

Special thanks to Gordon Campbell (organist) and Kate Busa (soloist) for sharing their musical gifts with us during worship today. Kathy Parkins is on vacation today and the Chancel Choir is on summer break.

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Christy and Jim Gudaitis in honor of Christy’s parents, Mary and Ray Myers.

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 for 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. 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 Book of Common Worship (2018) and Daily Prayer.

Emily Wilkins (Puerto Rico)
Don Hasson, friend of Walt Barron’s parents from Knoxville TN, awaiting a double lung transplant at Duke

Home:
Judy Arrowood
Doug Butler
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
Ralph Edwards, grandfather of Amy Wilson
Dennis Hill, friend of FPC
Doug Neece, brother of Vernon Neece
Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss
Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey
The Hunger for Change Offering

The funds received from our Hunger for Change Offering go to the New Hope Presbytery for the Presbyterian Hunger Relief Program and are divided as follows:

- 50% - International Hunger Relief Programs
- 40% - Local Hunger Relief Programs
- 10% - Administration.

These funds are dispersed through local grants to hunger relief programs based on a grant application process. Urban Ministries of Durham, Presbyterian Urban Ministries and Iglesia Emanuel have been frequent recipients. If your family committed to saving a penny/day each month, you’d be donating about $0.30 per month or $3.65 for the entire year. That’s not much in the face of the rising need. Save a nickel/day, and you can contribute $1.50 per month. A dime/day will generate $3.00 and a quarter/a day will generate $7.50 per month. The fourth Sunday of each month is designated to receive the Hunger for Change Offering. Please consider supporting this hunger relief effort with a generous offering today.

May we order more Café Justo for you?
(www.justcoffee.org)

Order TODAY . . . Distribution on Sunday, August 11

To place an order, send an email to John Fricks (jhfricks@gmail.com).

Tell John how many bags (one-pound bags, freshly roasted, $10 each), and specify the process (CAF or DECAF), the grind (WHOLE BEAN or GROUND), and the roast (MEDIUM or DARK).

- caf, whole bean, medium roast
- caf, whole bean, dark roast
- caf, ground, medium roast
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School Supplies Drive

You are invited to purchase most needed school supplies for the Crayons2Calculators organization again this year. The list of most needed supplies is provided below. Thank you for your continued support. You may bring your supplies to the church and place them in the Crayons2Calculators containers through August 11th.

We have received a special request from Merrick Moore Elementary School for colored dry erase markers and 3-hole punched zippered pencil pouches. There will be a container labeled “Merrick Moore School supplies” in the foyer for your donations.

Top Needed School Supplies

Hand sanitizer  Clip Boards  Tissues  Sharpies  Box Sets of Colored Markers
Scissors (student & adult)  Colored Pencils  No. 2 Pencils  Dry Erase markers  Mechanical Pencils
Construction Paper  Tape (clear, masking, duct)
For the Beauty of the Earth

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
   for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
   Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

2. For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
   for hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:

3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
   for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:

4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
   for friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:

5. For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;
   for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

   Refrain

   Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.
1 O God of every nation, of every race and land,
re-deem the whole creation with your almighty hand.

2 From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night,

3 Lord, strengthen those who labor that all may find release,
from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war’s increase;

4 Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division give way to love and peace,

Where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled,

When hope and courage falter, your still small voice be heard;
till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign

in love and mercy guide us and heal our strife-torn world.

Deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray.

With faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.

And Christ shall rule victorious o’er all the world’s domain.
O for a World

1. O for a world where ev - er - one re - spect - es each oth - er's ways,
2. O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4. The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5. O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.
The Week at a Glance!

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<td>9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship and Communion (Mary Berry, preaching)</td>
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<td>After Worship: Racial Equity Task Force (Wilson Parlor) 5:30 – 7:30 PM Great Big Church Family Festival (at Trinity Avenue PC, Durham)</td>
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~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: Carl Rist
Narthex Greeter: Chris Williams
After Worship Greeters: Chris Rivera (font/side door); Dawn Carsey (rear/narthex)
Ushers: Julie Whiddon (head), Christy Gudaitis (flowers), Kathy Conner (counter), Mary – Jo Keenan

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
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John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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