FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 10, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune

Wilbur Held

INTROIT

Sing a Joyful Song to the Lord

Trad. Round

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 119)

Leader: You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right.
People: You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.
Leader: Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.
People: Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth.
Leader: Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight.
People: Your decrees are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.
All: Let us worship God.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM Rhondda

Sam Migliarese

*CONFESSION OF SIN

Call to Prayer

Sam Migliarese

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We have taken more than our fair share, O God of abundance. We have grabbed the bigger piece without checking to make sure there will be enough for everyone. We have tilted things, so it all rolls down to us. Sometimes, we haven’t even realized we were doing it, because we were just taking advantage of all that was available to us – without a thought about what is sustainable for this warming, shrinking planet. Forgive us for acting like so many tax collectors before us. Teach us to give first, as Jesus did.

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: God, through the power of your Holy Spirit, open us to your Word that we would hear what you would say to us today; through Jesus Christ, who invites us to welcome him in, even before we are ready or worthy. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

(Pew Bible, OT Page 771)

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

(Pew Bible, NT Page 82)

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

*Those who are able, please stand.
(Silent reflection)

*HYMN No. 19

**God of Great and God of Small**

*THE PEACE*

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

Signs of hospitality and reconciliation may be expressed verbally, if desired.
During the passing of the peace, children through first grade, along with their caregivers and older siblings, are invited to come to the front pews for the baptisms.

NEW MEMBERS SERVICE OF WELCOME

Words of Welcome and Introduction
Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows
Prayer

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR

EVELYN WALTERS AND PENNY WALTERS

Introduction and Words of Scripture

Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Evelyn Grey Walters and Penelope Noelle Walters to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions to the gathered Children:
Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Evelyn and Penny?
If they get lost will you help them find the way?
If they fall down, will you help pick them up?
Will you share with them the stories of Jesus?

Children: Yes.

Question to the Congregation:
Elder: Do you, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Evelyn and Penny by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of Christ’s church?

Congregation: We do.

Profession of Faith

*Affirmation of Faith (in unison)*

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

(You may be seated.)

Thanksgiving over the Water

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Let us pray. We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life. We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism: in it we are buried with Christ in his death; from it we are raised to share in his resurrection; through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit. Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of rebirth. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Evelyn and Penny that they may have power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ. To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise, honor, and glory, now and forever.

All:
Amen.

Baptism
Anointing
Welcome

Anthem (Alleluia Children’s Choir)  Didn’t My Lord Deliver Daniel  Spiritual, arr. Roger Emerson

Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel, then why not every man? He delivered Daniel from the lion’s den,
Jonah from the belly of the whale, and the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace, then why not every man?
I set my foot on the Gospel ship, and the ship began to sail; it landed me over on Canaan’s shore,
And I’ll never come back no more. Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel? Deliver Daniel!

(Following the children’s choir anthem, children may return to the playroom or join their caregivers and siblings in the congregation.)

JOYS AND CONCERNS  Sam Miglarese

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Leader:  Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
People:  Nor withheld unfailing love from me.  (from Psalm 66:20)
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  Mindy Douglas

Invitation to the Offering
Offertory Anthem  O Love  Elaine Hagenberg

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O joy that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vane that morn shall tearless be.

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

*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: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Holy One, we ask you to bless these tithes and offerings, that our gifts may embody your vision of the kingdom and bless those who are vulnerable, oppressed, and seeking justice; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**HYMN NO. 450**

Be Thou My Vision  Slane

**BENEDICTION**

John Weicher

**POSTLUDE**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  J. Bert Carlson

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 November 3, we welcomed 25 visitors to worship.

Welcome today to the following new members: Nash Luffman, Julia Wigger, Sandy Roberts, and Josh and Amanda Walters. The Walters have three daughters Evelyn, Penelope (goes by Penny), and Willow. Evelyn and Penny are receiving the Sacrament of Baptism during worship today.

Special thanks to Phyllis Supple who is accompanying the Chancel Choir on piano during the Offertory Anthem.

The flowers in the sanctuary are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of our mothers, Lois Hess and Josephine Mozart by Elinor Hess and John Mozart.

Nursery care for infants to six years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. 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 Feasting on the Word (Year C, Volume 2).

Long Range Planning Team Follow-up Discussions

If you missed the October 20th presentation by the Long Range Planning Team, or would like further discussion on one of the four priorities, follow-up discussion sessions will be held during the Sunday School hour (9:45 - 10:45 a.m.) again next Sunday, November 17 in the Wilson Parlor.

Care Packages for College Students

Do you have a student in college? Please make sure the church office has their current college address. The Pastoral Care Committee is assembling care packages for our college students. The congregation is invited to support this project by bringing in items for the packages - gum, hot chocolate, microwave popcorn, hard candy, Granola bars, puzzle or joke books, etc. Baskets will be labeled at FPC’s Mission Collection Center in the foyer for the donations. Items are needed by Sunday, November 24. Your support is very much appreciated.
~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: Amy Wilson  
Baptism Elder: Sharon Hirsch  
Greeters: Maxie Honeycutt, Elinor Hess  
After Worship Greeters: Laura McDow (rear/narthex), Tyler Momsen-Hudson (side/font)  
Ushers: John Mozart (head), Christy Gudaitis (flowers), Elinor Hess, Clarabelle Brown

~ Our Concerns ~

We extend condolences to Ken and Mary Jo Schlecht on the tragic death of their daughter, Jennifer Schlecht, their granddaughter, Abaynesh, and son-in-law, Yonathan Tedla, on November 6, 2019 in Harlem NY.

Bob Yoder, received a cancer diagnosis this week

Home:  
Margaret Mubanga  
Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett  
Joseph Ngumi  
Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:  
Brookdale Durham: Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett  
Croasdaile Pavillon: Bob Rankin  
Durham Regent: John Kerr, Ann Prospero  
Emerald Pond: Paul Cornsweet  
Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: Helen Garrison  
Strategic Behavioral Health, Garner: Phillip Herndon  
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, companion of Mal King  
Ralph Edwards, grandfather of Amy Wilson  
Frances H. Kennedy, mother of Emily Wilkins  
Jodi Koviac, friend of Amy Cummings  
Doug Neece, brother of Vern Neece  
Jim Vaccaro, father of Jamie Chambliss  
Harlee Yoder, granddaughter of Bob and Lina Yoder  
Bob Warren, father of Dawn Case  
Renee Zimmerman, friend of Emily Wilkins

~ Retirement Celebrations for Sam Miglarese and Marilyn Hedgpeth ~

We will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Sam Miglarese’s ordination to Word and Sacrament and his retirement from 13+ years of ministry with us at First Presbyterian on Sunday, December 22 following worship. We will also celebrate Marilyn Hedgpeth’s retirement from 16+ years of ministry with us on Sunday, January 12, 2020 following worship. We need your help with these celebrations.

First, we need pictures of Sam and Marilyn in ACTION around FPC. Send digital files (.jpg format) by email to info@firstpres-durham.org and include a description. If you have physical pictures, place them in an envelope with a “return to” name on outside and leave in the box in the volunteer office. Approximate date taken will be helpful in placing these in order. Second, we are collecting note cards with stories and expressions of gratitude for Sam and Marilyn. These can also be placed in the volunteer’s office in boxes labeled for Sam and Marilyn. You may use the enclosed card and envelope for your personal message. Extra blank cards are available from the tables in the narthex and foyer. If you prefer, you may use your own card and stationery. All pictures and note cards are needed in the church office by Sunday, December 1st. Third, a love gift is being collected for the three departing pastors. You can give by check made payable to FPC; online (go to church’s website; click on Donate button); by text-giving (information cards are on the tables in the narthex and foyer). On the memo line, please indicate who is to receive the gift: Cherrie, Sam, Marilyn or any combination of the three. For more information, contact coordinators: Caroline Rourk, Deborah Momsen-Hudson, Eric Wiebe, or Sheila Breitweiser.
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me fears subside. Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield. I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.
1 God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
2 God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny,
3 God of silence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,
4 God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,

God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
God of never-ending power, yet beside me every hour,
God of day and darkest night, God whose love turns wrong to right,
God of now and days before, God who reigns for evermore,

Refrain
alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.
1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
4 High King of Heaven, my victory won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.
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**The Installation of John Weicher as Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families**

First Presbyterian Church, Durham Sunday, November 17 - 3 PM Reception to Follow Wear Red

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**Tom Bloom**, Business Administrator  
**Robert Daye**, Sexton  
**Mindy Douglas**, Pastor/Head of Staff  
**Susan Dunlap**, Parish Associate  
**Marilyn Hedgpeth**, Associate Pastor

**CHURCH STAFF**  
**Valerie McMillian**, Parish Administrator  
**Sam Miglarese**, Associate Pastor  
**Kathy Parkins**, Minister of Music  
**John Weicher**, Associate Pastor

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