FIRST PRESbyterian CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2019

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

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE
Fugue in a
John Stanley

INTROIT
“Day by Day”
Harold Friedell

Day by day, O Lord, of thee three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 12)
Leader: With joy, you will draw water from the wells of salvation, and you will say:
People: Give thanks to the Lord, call on God’s name;
Make known the Lord’s deeds among the nations; proclaim that God’s name is exalted.
Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.
People: Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.
All: Let us worship God.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 403
Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
Unser Herrscher

*CONFESSION OF SIN
Call to Prayer
John Weicher
Prayer of Confession (in unison)
God of wolf and lamb, God of lion and ox, God of saint and serpent, your desire is only for our shalom. Yet we are the ones who incite insurrection, who pit nation against nation, who provoke kingdom against kingdom. Furthermore, when the earth quakes, when fire consumes, when the seas rise, we play the victim and call out to you in our distress. Amazingly, you love us still. O Lord, hear our prayer of repentance, and save our souls.
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: O Lord from whom all good things come, pour out your Spirit upon your people that we might catch the visions and dream the dreams of your holy inspiring. And in your mercy, grant us, your humble servants, the ability to share your spirit, through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 21:5-19
(Pew Bible, NT Page 85)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

* Those who are able, please stand.
ANTHEM (sung by choir)  
Esto Les Digo  
Kinley Lange

Esto les digo si dos de ustedes se ponen de acuerdo aquí en la tierra  
Para pedir algo en oración mi padre que está en el cielo se lo dará  
Porque donde dos o tres se reúnen en mi nombre allí estoy yo, en medio de ellos.

Translation: This I tell you if two of you agree here on earth  
To ask of something through prayer, my father who is in heaven will give it to them  
Because where two or three are gathered in my name There I am, in the midst of them.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON  
Isaiah 65:17-25  
(Pew Bible, OT Page 696)

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

SERMON  
“Delight in My People!”  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

(Silent reflection)

*HYMN No. 242  
Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded  
In Dir Ist Freude

*THE PEACE  
John Weicher

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 “A Time with the Children” and the baptism.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR LEE WELDON HOUSE  
Mindy Douglas, Marilyn Hedgpeth, Gray Wilson

Words of Scripture  
Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Lee Weldon House to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions to the Parents:  
Pastor: Wayne and Lucie, do you desire that your child be baptized?  
Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?  
Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God’s grace?  
Relying on God’s grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith  
and to teach that faith to your child?

Parents: We do.

Questions to the gathered Children:  
Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Lee?  
If he gets lost will you help him find the way?  
If he falls down, will you help pick him up?  
Will you share with him 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 Lee by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of Christ’s church?

Congregation: We do.

(As you are able, please stand.)
*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  
Mindy Douglas

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.
Leader:  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 Lee that he 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  
Marilyn Hedgpeth

Anointing  
Mindy Douglas

Introduction  
Mindy Douglas

Welcome

Response (Hymn No. 486, verse 1)

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,  
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

(Following the baptism, children may return to the playroom  
or join their parents and siblings in the congregation.)

JOYS AND CONCERNS  
Sam Miglarese

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Leader:  Hold fast to your hope without wavering,
People:  For God who has promised is faithful.  
(From Hebrews 10:23)
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 (Bell Choir)  
With a Voice of Singing  
Sam Miglarese  
Martin Shaw, arr. Tucker
*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 Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Ever-living God, before the earth was formed and even after it shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*HYFRYDOL

*BENEDICTION

Marilyn Hedgpeth

*POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Stanley Vann

**A Reminder to Worshippers:** As you exit your pew, 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 who will attend the installation service.

*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 10, we welcomed 25 visitors to worship.

**Music Notes:** The Bell Choir’s performance today is dedicated to the memory of Bob Yoder who died this week. “With a Voice of Singing” was his favorite anthem and we are happy we had planned to play it today.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Peter and Barbara Fish to the glory of God and in celebration of the 50 years since they joined First Presbyterian Church on November 16, 1969.

The *Sacrament of Baptism* is being celebrated for Lee Weldon House, son of Lucie and Wayne House and sibling to older sister, Eloise.

*Nursery care* for infants to 6 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 *Book of Common Worship (2018).*

**Search Committees** for the Director of Children’s Ministry (DCM) and Administrative Assistant (AA) positions have been formed. Questions or feedback may be directed to DCM Search Committee co-chairs Kathy Conner (*kwc.enoriver@yahoo.com*) and Laura Kelley (*lkelley601@gmail.com*). Additional members of the DCM Search Committee are Tom Admay, Leah Graves, Amy Sanchez, and Katharine Whitmore.
For the AA Search Committee, contact co-chairs El Hess (elinor.hess@gmail.com) and Jerry Postema (gpostema244@gmail.com). Additional members of the AA Search Committee are Christy Gudaitis, George Danser, and Marie Sappenfield.

**Retirement Celebrations – Deadlines are approaching!**

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 full-time 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 on the table in the foyer as you enter/exit the sanctuary. 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 **boxes labeled for Sam and Marilyn on the table in the foyer** as you enter/exit the sanctuary. You may use the card and envelope found in today’s bulletin for your personal message. Extra blank cards are available from the tables in the 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. Ways to give:

- **By check** made payable to FPC (memo who the gift is for)
- **Online** via the church’s website (https://firstpres-durham.org)
- **By Text-giving** (Instructions can be found on the table in the foyer).

For more info, contact Caroline Rourke, Deborah Momsen-Hudson, Eric Wiebe, or Sheila Breitweiser.

**Care Packages for College Students**

Do you have a student in college? Please make sure the church office has their current college address. Send address info to Valerie at: v.mcmillian@firstpres-duharham.org. 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 next Sunday, November 24. Your support is very much appreciated.

~ Our Concerns ~

We extend condolences to the following:

- **Mindy Douglas, Tyler Adams,** and **Tim O’Brien** on the death of Mindy’s paternal grandmother, **Dolly Douglas,** on November 11. A memorial service was held Friday, November 15 in Clover, SC.
- **Lina Yoder and family** on the death of her husband, **Rev. Robert (Bob) Yoder,** on November 12th. A service to celebrate Bob’s life will be held at a date and time to be announced by the family.

**Added this week:** **Erica Moody,** Mal King’s sister-in-law, hospitalized in Tarboro

**Chuck Barenchi, Margaret Mubanga, Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett, Joseph Ngumi, Carolyn and Jim Wolfe**

Brookdale Durham: **Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett**
Croasdaile Pavilion: **Bob Rankin**
Durham Regent: **John Kerr, Ann Prospero**
Emerald Pond, Durham (Room 212): **Paul Cornsweet**

**Fran Alwood,** mother of Jennie Alwood  
**Ken Chambliss,** father of Will Chambliss  
**Camilla Crampton,** companion of Mal King  
**Ralph Edwards,** grandfather of Amy Wilson

**Doug Neece,** brother of Vern Neece  
**Jim Vacca,** father of Jamie Chambliss  
**Bob Warren,** father of Dawn Carsey

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: **Helen Garrison**  
Strategic Behavioral Health, Garner: **Phillip Herndon**  
The Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant**
Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty  403

1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so
3 Speak, O Lord, and I will hear thee; let thy will be

en - ter there, where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me; where we find thee and a - dore thee,
done in - deed; may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee,

waits for God who an - swers prayer; O how bless - ed
there a heaven on earth must be; to my heart O
while thou dost thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the

is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace.
enter thou; let it be thy tem - ple now.
foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.
Verse 1 only

486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

1 Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized
2 Child of love, our love's expression, love's creation
3 Child of joy, our dearest treasure, God's you
4 Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to

with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has
action, loved indeed! Fresh from God, refresh our
are, from God you came. Back to God we humbly
listen for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and

sealed you unto love and grace divine.
spirits; into joy and laughter lead.
give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
worship; trust and love God more than all.
Day of delight and beauty unbounded, tell the news, the gospel spread! Day of all wonder, day of all splendor, praise Christ risen from the dead! 1 Sing of the sun from darkness appearing; sing of the seed from barren earth greening; dancing; sing now the mystery, hope of our glory; sing of creation, alleluia! Sing of the sing with thanksgiving, alleluia! Sing now of
stream from Jesus' side flowing; sing of the saints in fasting turned into feasting; sing the Lord's favor

water made holy; sing of salvation, alleluia! lasting forever; sing, all things living, alleluia!
1 Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to
earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy
faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion;
find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning;
more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing,

2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every
life receive; suddenly return, and never, never-
ly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory,

3 Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy
let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfect-

4 Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless
thee inherit; let us
pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with
Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.
its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.
# This Week at a Glance!

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## ~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: **Amy Dillon**  
Baptism Elder: **Gray Wilson**  
Narthex Greeter: **Alice Raney**  
After Worship Greeters: **Lenore Champion** (font/side door); **Kim Abels** (rear/narthex)  
Ushers: Dale Gaddis, Clarabelle Brown  

**CHURCH STAFF**  

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