FIRST PRESbyterian CHURCH  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Trinity Sunday  June 7, 2020

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

GATHERING MUSIC  
Holy, Holy, Holy  Piet Post

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
John Weicher

PRELUDE  
Of the Father’s Love Begotten  Plainsong
Amy Wilson, soloist

Of the Father’s Love Begotten  Plainsong
arr. Malcolm Archer

CALL TO WORSHIP  
John Weicher

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

People: Out of the mouths of babes and children
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

Leader: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, you have established;

People: what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?

Leader: Yet you have made them little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.

People: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,

Leader: all sheep and oxen, and also the wild beasts of the field,
People: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

All: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS’ BLESSING  
John Weicher

Video
Blessing Prayer
Charge

HYMN  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty (verse 1)  Nicaea

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF SIN  
Mindy Douglas

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession (in unison)
You see things as good, O Maker of the universe.
You see them as beautiful, as hand-crafted,
as worthy of love and respect.
We do not.
Instead, we often see the world around us,
and the people around us,
as means to an end,
and we use them, sinfully.
We often see them as disposable,
and we discard them when we are done, sinfully.
We often see them for their faults,
and we skim past your handiwork, sinfully.
Forgive us for desecrating your creation.
We had no right.
Teach us never to do so again.
Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY
Annie, George and Ruby Gentithes
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON
Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a
Gentithes Family
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

MEDITATION
“Thump”
John Weicher

HYMN (see page 4)
Let the Whole Creation Cry (verse 1)
Salzburg

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)
Apostles’ Creed
Mindy Douglas
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.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN
Natalie Wolf

INVITATION TO GIVE AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING
CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Leader: O Lord our Lord,
People: How majestic is your name in all the earth!
Leader: Let us pray.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession

All: 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.

HYMN (see page 4) Let the Whole Creation Cry (verse 2) Salzburg

CLOSING PRAYER (Christina Rosetti 1830-1894) John Weicher

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: As the wind is your symbol,
People: so forward our goings.
Leader: As the dove,
People: so launch us heavenwards.
Leader: As water,
People: so purify our spirits.
Leader: As a cloud,
People: so abate our temptations.
Leader: As dew,
People: so revive our languor.
Leader: As fire,
People: so purge out our dross. Amen.

Benediction John Weicher

POSTLUDE Holy God We Praise Your Name Grosser Gott
Let the Whole Creation Cry
(Psalm 148)

1. Let the whole creation cry, “Glory to the Lord on high.”
2. Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold;

Heaven and earth, awake and sing, “Praise to our almighty King,”
join with children’s songs of praise; worship God through length of days.

Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;
From the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll:

sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice!
“Holy, holy, holy One, glory be to God alone!”
First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship with us. 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. On May 31, 118 households tuned in to the 11:00 a.m. streamed broadcast of worship.

Thanks to Amy Wilson for singing the Introit during today’s online worship service and to Laura Casteel for creating the senior video.

Congratulations to our graduates. Click here to see who makes up our Class of 2020 graduates.

Portions of today’s worship texts were taken from Glory to God Presbyterian hymnal (reprinted under Onelicense.net: A.713926) and Book of Common Worship (2018).

Many thanks to Jody Maxwell, Pat Dillon, and John Weicher for their “behind the scenes” technical assistance, making our virtual worship broadcasts possible and accessible to us each Sunday.

Church staff will continue working from home until at least the end of June. If you need assistance, you may call the church office (919-682-5511) and leave a message, or email a specific staff person. Thank you for your patience as we respond to your calls and emails. Please read church emails and check our social media to stay up-to-date.

Children and Youth – Are you Connected? If you are not receiving a separate weekly email connecting you to FPC online activities and events for children and youth, contact John Weicher or Natalie Wolf to be added to the list.

You are invited to join FPC online for evening prayer. Beginning this week, the service will be held Thursday evenings at 8:00 p.m. via Facebook. You do not need to have a Facebook account to participate. Simply go online to FPC’s Facebook page or use this link: https://www.facebook.com/Firstpresdurham/ each Thursday at 8 p.m. If you are asked to create an account, just ignore and click on the video.
Condolences:
The love and concern of the congregation are extended to the following:
- **Shirley Frederick** on the death of two family members: sister-in-law **Marlene Frederick** and sister-in-law and former FPC member **Barbara Patton Davis**;
- **Hendrika Vande Kemp** on the death of her brother-in-law, **Tom Van Ewyk**, on June 1.

Concerns:
Prayers are requested for **Stagville** and **Vera Cecelski**, director of this state historic site. A slaveholder house on this site was partially burned during recent anti-racism protests.

- **Jennie Bodkin**, sister of Mindy Douglas, surgery on Tuesday
- **Tony Brown**, recovering from hip surgery
- **Dawn Fitts**, sister of Kathy Krahenbuhl
- **Rhys Huslage**, son of Erin McClain and Kirk Huslage
- **Margaret Mubanga**
- **Mercy Ndambiri**
- **Rob Parker**, recovering from a bicycle accident

**Hospice Care**: **Ruth Buck**, mother of Susan Buck; **Camilla Crampton**, companion of Mal King

**Care Communities**:
Brookdale Durham: **Julian Boswell**, **Becky Crockett**
Croasdaile Pavilion: **Bob Rankin**, **Henderson Rourk**
Dubose Center at The Cedars (Chapel Hill): **Arthur Clark**
Durham Regent: **John Kerr**, **Ann Prospero**
Emerald Pond: **Paul Comsweet**
Hillcrest Convalescent Center, Durham: **Jean Lazarides**
Strategic Behavioral Health, Garner: **Phillip Herndon**
The Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant**

**Family and Friends of the Congregation**:
- **Susan B.**, friend of Emily Wilkins
- **Peggy Boulden**, mother of Dick Boulden
- **Ken Chambliss**, father of Will Chambliss and **Jim Vacca**, father of Jamie Chambliss
- **Paula Cope**, sister of Sam Miglarese
- **Becky Evans** (sister) and **Doug Neece** (brother) of Vernon Neece
- **Dolores Ewald**, mother-in-law of Susan Ewald
- **Shannon Johnson**, daughter of Mary Putman
- **Chris Kovach**, friend of Jeanne Hervey
- **Lee Tubbs**, mother of Nora Tisdale

**CHURCH STAFF**

- **Tom Bloom**, Business Administrator
- **Robert Daye**, Sexton
- **Mindy Douglas**, Pastor/Head of Staff
- **Susan Dunlap**, Parish Associate
- **Sybil King**, Administrative Assistant
- **Valerie McMillian**, Parish Administrator
- **Kathy Parkins**, Minister of Music
- **John Weicher**, Associate Pastor
- **Natalie Wolf**, Ministry Intern

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