# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10, 2022

## A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

For those joining worship via live stream, please prepare your bread and cup before worship begins so that we might partake of the elements at the same time during today's service.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

John Weicher

PRELUDE Dawn Cyril Jenkins

\*CALL TO WORSHIP John Weicher

Leader: People of God, what are we here to do?

People: To love the Lord our God with heart and soul, strength and might.

Leader: What are we here to do?

People: To love our neighbors as ourselves.

\*HYMN No. 182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus So

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say Kingsfold

\*CONFESSION OF SIN

John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious Cod

Gracious God,

Jesus tells us that our lives are enriched by loving you and loving our neighbors.

We confess that love is hard for us.

Forgive our arrogance and our listlessness.

Cleanse our hearts

that we might find the strength

to do what love requires

and the grace to receive what love has to give,

whose love has no boundary.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\*PASSING THE PEACE

John Weicher

Griffin Momsen-Hudson

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

\*Please rise in body or in spirit.

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Leader: Let us pray.

All: Holy God, you call us to live out your justice and righteousness.

Help us to walk in your footsteps, so that we never lose our way. Enable us to live and love in the way that you have taught us,

so that we can act in grace,

even with those who we consider our enemies.

In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON Deut

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 (Pew Bible, OT page 185)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. Griffin Momsen-Hudson

People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 10:25-37 (Pew Bible, NT page 71)

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

SERMON "Making the Familiar Unfamiliar" Heidi Biermann

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism John Weicher

Q. 111 What does God require of you?

A. That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

\*HYMN No. 769 For Everyone Born (verses 1-3) For Everyone Born

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Amy Sanchez

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

John Weicher

Invitation to the Offering

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Receive these gifts, O God.

May our lives be an offering that is pleasing to you,

good gifts that come from the knowledge of life in Christ our Lord,

in whose name we pray. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

John Weicher

Heidi Biermann

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Heidi Biermann

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: We would not cease singing our songs of thanksgiving to you,

Innovative Creator.

You imagine a sky as wide as eternity, and fluff it with billowy clouds.

You shape mountains and top them with snow.

You notice our uncertainty of the dark,

and shower us with fireflies to twinkle our fears away.

All this, you thought and did, for us.

You would teach us your ways of kindness, peace and compassion, but we filled our minds with the empty words of a wayward world.

You sent the prophets to retell your story of hope, but we urged them to go and preach to someone else.

But when the world turned its back on us, when others passed by our pain, you sent Jesus to come and find us and to carry us into your heart.

Therefore, we lift our songs of joy to you,

joining our voices with those in heaven and on earth, who forever praise your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy are you, Rescuer of the weak and needy.

All the hope in creation gives glory to you.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who shows us mercy.

Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Holy are you, God of Wonder,

and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son.

Your heart, your soul, your mind, your strength,

he was willing to love you enough to become one of us;

Loving us as much as he loved himself,

he endured the battering of the world.

and stripped of his glory and grace,

he was left by the side of the world

by the gang of sin, evil, and death.

Moved by his love and sacrifice,

you came and found him,

alone and forsaken in the tomb.

Anointing him with the waters of baptism

and the oil of hope's gladness,

you brought him into the new life

of your resurrection love.

As we remember his life of great love,

we praise you,

that as we break the bread of life,

and drink from the cup of grace,

we know the risen Christ is among us:

All:

Christ was broken, that we might be made whole; Christ was raised, that the gospel might bear fruit; Christ will come, that we might inherit eternal life.

Leader:

We come to this Table looking for answers to our questions

and for healing for our brokenness.

So, pour out your Spirit upon your children, and upon the gifts of the bread and the cup, that nourished and fed by you,

we might be strengthened

to serve our siblings around us.

As we get up from our seats at your Table, may we stand up for the rights of the lowly.

As you pour out your grace upon us, may we wrap it around the orphans and weak.

As you whisper your dreams for us. may we speak out on behalf of the poor.

As you offer us the bread and the cup from your hands, may we reach down and lift up those

who have fallen through the cracks of our society.

Then, when all time has come to an end, and there is only life forever with you, we will join hands with all your children, singing our joy and thanks to you, God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

John Weicher

## THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(All bread is gluten free. The elements were prepared in a gluten-free area. You will be directed to come forward to receive the bread, then the cup. Please return to your seat after receiving the elements. Empty cups may be placed in the holders in the pews.)

Communion Hymn No. 507 (all sing)

Come to the Table of Grace

Table of Grace

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Heidi Biermann

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Leader:

People: Amen. All:

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN No. 769

For Everyone Born (verses 4-5)

For Everyone Born

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Heidi Biermann

\*POSTLUDE Sortie Gustave Ferrari



Welcome! Let us know you have joined us for worship by scanning this QR code. 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, sexual orientation, economic circumstance, and ability to participate fully in the life of the church. So that you may know who

is sitting nearby, please sign the *Ritual of Friendship pad*, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and <u>then return it to the starting point</u>, noting the names of those sitting near you.

We welcome to the pulpit *Heidi Biermann*. Heidi was born in Spokane, WA. She moved to Durham in 2020 and joined FPC as an affiliate member in April of this year. Her previous membership was with Thompson Memorial Presbyterian Church, New Hope, PA. Heidi graduated from and is employed with Duke Divinity School

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God by *Mary-Jo Keenan* in memory of *Ruthanne and Edward Keenan*.

We are grateful to *Gordon Campbell* (musician) and *Amy Wilson* (vocalist) for providing music leadership for today's worship.

*Hearing Assistance Receivers* are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle by the door or return it to an usher.

*Childcare*: A staffed nursery and children's playroom are available on the second floor of the education building during worship. *Activity bags* are available in the foyer for children.

**Restrooms** are to the left and right as you exit the rear of the sanctuary, on the second floor of the education building, and on the first and second floors of the church house. There is an infant changing table in the restroom area located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Portions of today's worship texts are taken from Call to Worship (2021-2022, Year C), Feasting on the Word, Glory to God (The Presbyterian Hymnal), and Lectionary Liturgies (website).

*These Days* devotional books for July-September 2022 have arrived. Copies are free and available from the table in the foyer.

### **Children's Book Reviews**

Families with young children are invited to participate in a book review activity this summer. Lenore Champion will give you a copy of a picture book for you and your family to read and review. Video a short review of the book and send it to Lenore. What is in it for you? You get to keep the book! What is in it for us? We get to know about a new book!

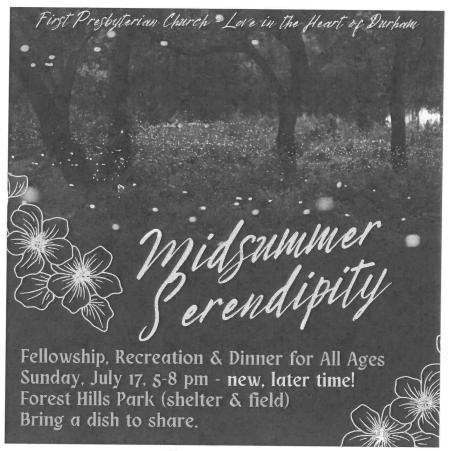
Sign up to participate: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ba8a82ca6f5ce9-book">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ba8a82ca6f5ce9-book</a>.

## Children's Classroom Leaders Needed this Summer

Please sign up for one Sunday to read a book and help with a prepared activity with children ages rising 1st grade to rising 6th grade during the Faith Formation hour:

• 9:45-10:30 a.m., Faith Formation

• 10:30-10:45 a.m., Outside play time on the playground Signup: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0949a8ad2daafc1-summer2



## **All-Church Fellowship with Potluck**

The Midsummer is almost upon us. Time for serendipity!!! Join us next Sunday, July 17, 5:00-8:00 p.m. We will play together, eat together and simply be together in the shelter and surrounding field of Forest Hills Park. There will be games and activities for all ages, a tasty dinner, and the chance to make new friends and catch up with old ones. **Please bring a dish to share.** Camp chairs are welcome, but not required. Friends are welcome, too!

## ~ Our Joys and Concerns ~

**Marriage Announcement:** Congratulations to *Vera Cecelski* and *Carl Kolosna* who were married on July 7, 2022, in Durham, at the home of Vera's parents, *Laura Hanson and David Cecelski*.

#### Concerns:

Paul Nordhaugen, partner of Gordon Campbell
Mark Dille, son-in-law of JoAnn and Fred Moore, a patient at UNC Hospitals

*Franzi Rokoske*, at Wake Medical Center, Raleigh, following a serious fall. Follow her journey via Caring Bridge: <a href="https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/franzirokoske2">https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/franzirokoske2</a>.

*Mitzi Lesher-Thomas* is on temporary medical leave from duties as our Associate Pastor. Follow her journey via Caring Bridge: <a href="https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/mitzilesher-thomas/journal">https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/mitzilesher-thomas/journal</a>.

Wes Carson Paul Cornsweet Kerry Holbrook Jancy Johnstone George Kafula Katy Loebrich Phyllis Verhey Carol Wills

### **Care Communities**

Dubose Center at The Cedars, Chapel Hill: Arthur Clark

Durham Ridge Assisted Living: Phillip Herndon

Hillcrest Convalescent Center: Julian Boswell, Walter Chambliss (Will's dad),

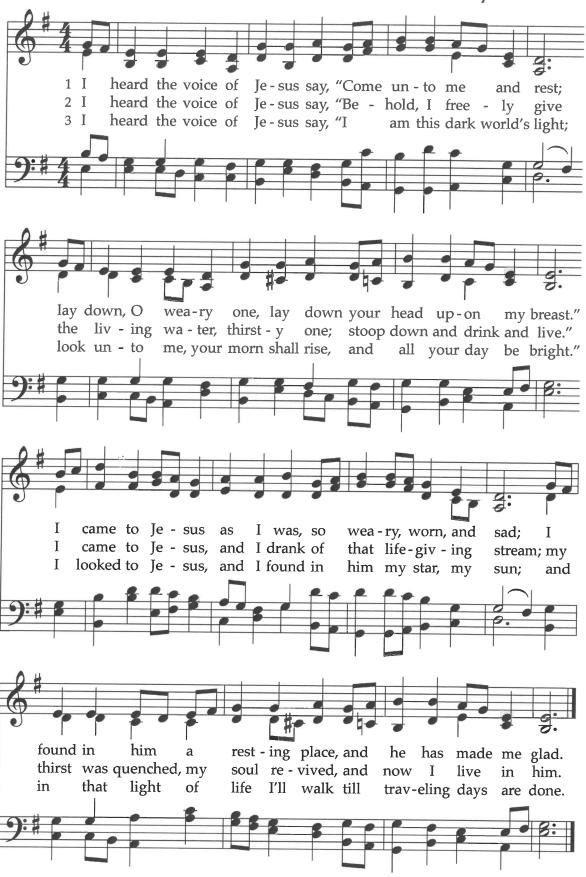
Maxie Honeycutt, Jim Wolfe

## Family and Friends of the Congregation

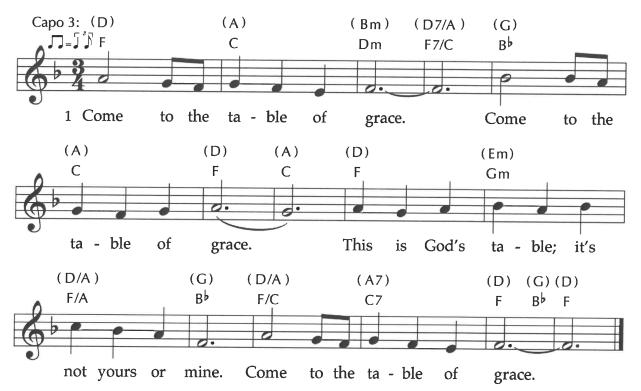
Gladys Arrowood, mother of Al Arrowood
Bob, friend of Fred and Jo Ann Moore
Tom Cotton, friend of Michael Honeycutt
Susan Cyr, friend of FPC
Grace, Chris James' great-niece
Roger Kalthoff, husband of Jane Williams
Vivian Mast, friend of Josh Walters
Aaron Pritchard, friend of Kathy Parkins
Tim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss
Deb Walsh, friend of Celia Dickerson
Janice Faye West, mother of Randy Lang Howard

Annik Barrett and family, friends of Walk-in Nicky Clegg, granddaughter of Jeanne Hervey Mimi Cummings, mother of Drew Cummings Bill Estes, cousin of Judy Arrowood Doc & Theresa Huntley, parents of Lesley Curtis The Knight family, friends of Vernon Cooper Rosalind Mbugua, sister of Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett Richard Smith, husband of Laura Casteel's co-worker John Wakefield, cousin of Vernon Neece Alice Weicher, mother of John Weicher Chris Wood, stepfather of Sharon Hirsch

# 182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



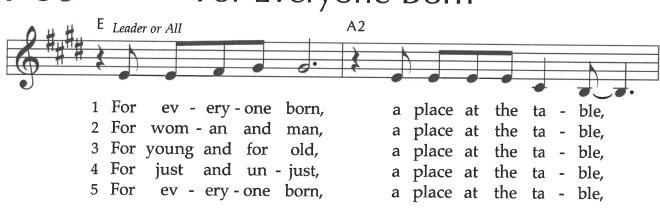
# Come to the Table of Grace 507



- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

# 769

## For Everyone Born





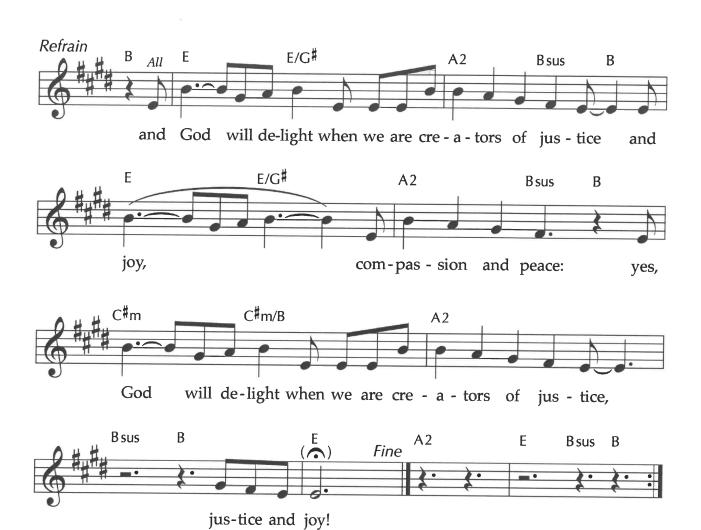
ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread, re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share, voice to be heard, a part in the song, a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for give, live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be.



shel - ter, a safe place for grow - ing, space, with wis-dom and di - vid - ing grace, the pow - er, the hands of child in hands that are wrin - kled, an - ger, in in hurt, a mind - set mer - cy, of work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, star o - ver-head, a for wom - an and man, tem that's fair, sys a for young and for old, the right to be - long, and un - just, for just new a way to live, for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,



The Week at a Glance!			
Later Today	Monday, July 11	Tuesday, July 12	Wednesday July 13
3:00-4:30 PM Racial Justice Event with Jonathan Wilson- Hargrove at Epworth UMC (and via Zoom)  8:00 PM Meaning in the Middle MnMs Fellowship (via Zoom)	6:00 PM Christian Education Committee	7:00 PM The Things That Matter Book Group meets at Hendrika Vande Kemp's home (please carpool)  Newsletter today	No Chancel Choir
Thursday, July 14	Friday, July 15	Saturday, July 16	Sunday, July 17
		8:00-11:00 AM FPC Grounds and Gardening Workday	9:45 AM Faith Formation
			11:00 AM Worship
		in contact,	5:00-8:00 PM Midsummer Serendipity at Forest Hills Park Shelter

## The Mt. Level Community Partnership for Racial Justice presents

Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove this Sunday, July 10 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at Epworth United Methodist Church (3002 Hope Valley Rd, Durham). This is a hybrid event, and you may choose to attend in person or participate via Zoom. Wilson-Hartgrove will be sharing from his latest book, Revolution of Values, which details how the Religious Right taught America to misread the Bible and reject our deepest Christian values. In person attendance is limited to the first 150 registrants, requiring social distancing and masks. Here is the link to the page to register: https://durhamcares.org/event/religiousrightcampaign/.

For more information about First Presbyterian Church, email the church office: info@firstpres-durham.org or visit our website: http://firstpres-durham.org.

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