

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 25, 2017

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

(In preparation for worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Ritual of Friendship

Minute for Stewardship

Homer Ashby

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Wilbur Held

INTROIT

In His Cross I Glory

Early American Tune

*In the cross of Christ I glory, there for all was grace made free.
None deserving, yet receiving life through death at Calvary.*

*In the cross of Christ I glory, not in power, wealth, or fame.
In the cross sin's curse is broken for the sake of Jesus' name*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: **For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.**

(Psalm 86:4-5)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 619

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Lauda Anima

*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac, God of Hagar and Ishmael, who gave us your Son, Jesus Christ the crucified, send your Holy Spirit to help us confess and truly repent of our sins. We turn against one another; we fail to care for the weak and poor among us. We pay no heed to the cries of the powerless; we seek our own advantage. Your Son emptied himself upon a Roman cross and revealed your eternal, self-giving love. Forgive us, merciful God. Wipe sin from our lives and let us find ourselves wholly in Jesus Christ, our Savior. It is in his name that we pray.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Response (Hymn No. 441, verse 1)

Nettleton

*Hear the good news of salvation; Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Parker Klinck

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

* Those who are able, please stand.

All: Teach us, good Lord,
to serve you as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labor and not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that we do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 20:10-13 (Pew Bible, OT Page 722)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

PSALM RESPONSE Psalm 86 Conditor Alme Siderum



1. In - cline Thine ear, O Lord, to me, For I am poor, and need Thy care;
2. Thou, Lord, hath shown to me Thy grace, In ways be - yond my mor - tal sight;
3. With stead - fast love and mer - cy sure, God hears con - fes - sion and for - gives;
4. All na - tions shall pro - claim Thee Lord, And at Thy name all knees shall bend



My God, the an - chor of my trust; The tru - est an - swer to my prayer.
Be - fore Thy face, I lift my soul; To sing Thy praise is my de - light!
Re-deemed the soul in which God dwells, And blest the heart where - in God lives!
To glo - ri - fy Thy right-eous - ness, And sing Thy prais - es with - out end.

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 6:1b-11 (Pew Bible, NT Page 156)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:26-33 (Pew Bible, NT Page 10)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Human Suffering and Discipleship" Sam Miglarese

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Confession of 1967 (9.55, 9.56) Sam Miglarese

God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in men and women and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

***HYMN NO. 718** Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said Bourbon

***THE PEACE** (*Children through 1st grade enter worship during "The Peace."*)

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Sam Miglarese

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader Be merciful unto me, O Lord, for you are my God;

People: **I call upon you all the day long.**

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

Offertory Anthem

Holy, Holy, Holy

Franz Schubert

*Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord.
Father, Son and Spirit, evermore shall be,
Holy, holy, holy, blessed Trinity.
Praise to you, O Lord, Hosanna in the height,
Holy, holy, holy, God of Power and Might.*

(The Hunger for Change Offering will be received following the Offertory Anthem.)

***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,
you are the power behind all things:
behind the energy of the storm,
behind the heat of a million suns.**

**Eternal God,
you are the power behind all minds:
behind the ability to think and reason,
behind all understanding of the truth.**

**Eternal God,
you are the power behind the cross of Christ:
behind the weakness, the torture and the death,
behind unconquerable love.**

**Eternal God,
we worship and adore you. Amen.**

LITANY OF FAREWELL FOR GEOFFREY & PATRICIA KENNEDY Marilyn Hedgpeth, Mark McHugh

Leader: We send you forth as disciples of Jesus Christ and as ambassadors of friendship, spreading the good news of God's love in your new surroundings.
Go in the spirit of Christ. Be steadfast in your devotion to him.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: Know that your ministry with us has served the cause of Christ in this community.
Well done, good and faithful servants!

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: May your commitment to Christ grow as you enter another community and another congregation.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: Remember that even though we will be separated in space, our shared faith in Jesus Christ will keep us connected.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Unison Prayer of the People:

Gracious God, a wandering Aramean is our ancestor and you have been with us every step of the way on the long journey of faith. Go now with Geoffrey and Patricia, we pray. Keep them faithful to you, in prayer, worship, service, and in the new relationships they will make. Give them traveling mercies and a new community of faith through which they may continue to serve you. Bless their family. May our friendship with them continue, and may we ever be one in Christ. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 826

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

*BENEDICTION

Sam Miglarese

*POSTLUDE

Toccata in e

Johann Pachelbel

Needlepoint Project Meeting

Do you do needlepoint (also called canvas embroidery)? Would you like to add your talents to a new project for the beautification of the sanctuary? **Jane Rourk** and **Barbara Fish** are beginning work on a needlepoint banner to be displayed in the sanctuary on the Sundays when Communion is served. If you want to find out more about this project, please come to **a brief meeting in the Chapel today after worship** to see what would be involved. If you are interested but cannot come to the meeting, please contact Jane or Barbara. Jane: 919-489-5820 or jrourk@nc.rr.com; Barbara: 919-688-9125 or barb2fish@yahoo.com.

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. We welcomed 40 visitors to worship on Trinity Sunday, June 18.

The **flowers** today are given by **Ruth and Russell Roberson** to the glory of God and in honor of the **Reverend Dr. Mindy Douglas** on receiving her Doctor of Ministry degree from Duke Divinity School.

Mindy Douglas is in Montreat this week attending the Worship and Music Conference. **Kathy Parkins** and **Tom Bloom** attended the Conference last week.

Copies of the ***These Days*** devotional book for July – September 2017 are available from the tables in the foyer and narthex. Pick up a regular or large print version today, while supplies last.

Portions of **today's worship texts** were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship* and *Feasting on the Word*.

WORSHIP NOTES AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery care for infants–children 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. After the sermon is delivered, the 3-6 year old children join worship for the remainder of service. Childcare for infants–2 years continues in the nursery. There is an *infant 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 in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

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 or return to an usher.

AN INVITATION TO A BOOK READING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

7:00 p.m. The Regulator Bookshop, Durham

You are invited to a reading by Jane Williams from her recently published book,
Mysterious Moments: Thoughts That Transform Grief.

EASTERN NC MISSION TRIP FOR HURRICANE MATTHEW RECOVERY

FPC is organizing a mission team for Kinston NC for July 30 – August 5. Participants must be at least 14 years old. We have about 8 crew members and would welcome more. Please contact *Tyler Momsen-Hudson* for more information: tylermmh@embarqmail.com.

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

Added: *Ben Miles*, son of Alissa and Justin Miles, recovering from a tonsillectomy
Bette Conroy, on the sudden death of her grandson
Tom Bowen, friend of Al and Judy Arrowood

Beth Eisenson, recovering from knee surgery

Barbara Gerwe, recovering from back surgery

Atria Senior Living: *Peggy Mordecai*, mother of Beth Eisenson

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): *Julian Boswell*

Croasdaile: *Joanne Harrar, Bob Keever, Bob Rankin, Florence Shackelford*

Eno Pointe Assisted Living (Durham): *Helen Garrison*

Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant, Ken Goldner, Peaches McPherson*

Family and Friends of FPC Members and Staff:

Cherie Haines, sister of Vernon Neece

Tony Lopez, husband of Linn Lopez

Paul Martin, brother of Beth Neece

Dell McMillian, brother-in-law of Valerie McMillian

Janice Rattray, friend of Robert and Jane Brawley

Lisa Short, cousin of Alissa Miles

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Liturgist: *Parker Klinck* Narthex Greeter: *Elizabeth High*

After Worship Greeters: *Delia Kwon* (narthex/rear); *Alice Raney* (side/font)

Ushers: *Amy Dillon* (head), *Brianna Honea Bennett, Laurie Williamson,*

Kathy Krahenbuhl, Sharon Hirsch

The Week at a Glance!

<p>Later Today After Worship Needlepoint Project</p>	<p>Monday, June 26 6:00 – 9:30 PM Budget Working Group</p>	<p>Tuesday, June 27 11:30 AM Daytimers' Luncheon at El Rodeo Restaurant 1:30 PM Worship Planning 2:30 PM Program Staff</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 28 7:00 PM Jane Williams' Book Reading at The Regulator Bookshop</p>
<p>Thursday, June 29</p>	<p>Friday, June 30 8:00 AM FPC Men of Faith Breakfast at Nosh's Café 7:30 PM Guest wedding rehearsal</p>	<p>Saturday, July 1 1:00 PM Guest Wedding</p>	<p>Sunday, July 2 <i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 9:45 AM Summer Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship After Worship: "Working with Refugees"</p>

Save these dates!

Sunday, July 9

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session of FPC has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, July 9 (end of worship) to elect a deacon to the Class of 2020 (replacing Patricia Kennedy) and an at-large member to the Nominating Committee (replacing Geoffrey Kennedy)

Sunday, July 16

HYMN SING AND MYRTLE FEST PICNIC

Join us for a special worship service at 11:00 a.m. followed by a picnic and bluegrass music in the courtyard under our lovely crepe myrtles!

Sunday, September 24

ALL CHURCH GATHERING

(food, worship, games, and more!)

3:00 p.m. til 8:00 p.m.

New Hope Camp and Conference Center

CHURCH STAFF

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator
Robert Daye, Sexton
Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Sarah Finbow, Youth Minister



Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor
Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate (on sabbatical)
Mark McHugh, Ministry Intern
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator
Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music