



First Presbyterian Church
Durham, North Carolina

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Minute for Mission: Families Moving Forward

Ryan Fehrman

PRELUDE

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Malcolm Archer

*INTROIT

Where Charity and Love Prevail

St. Peter

*Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.*

*With grateful joy and holy fear true charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and strength now love Christ in return.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Revelation 21:1-6)

John Weicher

Leader: Behold, a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

People: **God is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

Leader: And I saw the new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as brides adorned for husbands.

People: **God is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

Leader: Behold, God's dwelling is with all people.

God will dwell with them, and they shall be God's people.

People: **God is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

Leader: Behold, God makes all things new.

People: **God is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 108 (verses 1,5,6)

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Divinum Mysterium

*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Creator, forgive us. The earth is yours and everything that is in it. But in our arrogance we think that we own it; in our thoughtlessness we destroy it. We forget that you created it to bring praise and joy to you; that you gave it as a gift, for us to steward, for us to enjoy, for us to see more clearly your beauty and your majesty. Help us to claim and maintain your dwelling as the dwelling place of all of your people and all of your creatures, great and small.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

*Those who are able, please stand.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

George Kafula

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **God of compassion, breathe your Spirit into our lives, that your warmth, your joy, and your generosity might be the cornerstone of every encounter and conversation, for the sake and the love of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

John 13:31-35

(Pew Bible, NT Page 108)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SECOND LESSON

Acts 11:1-18

(Pew Bible, NT Page 130)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"Stranger Things"

Marilyn Hedgpeth

(Silent meditation.)

*LITANY FOR DREAMERS (by Fran Pratt)

Amy Dillon

Leader: God, we are all searching for something.

People: **Mostly we're searching for a meeting with you.**

Leader: But some of us are searching for a better life;

People: **For an end to poverty;**

Leader: For an end to oppression;

People: **For full bellies and a place to rest;**

Leader: For meaningful work;

People: **For safety and opportunities for our children.**

Leader: So many of your servants were dreamers:

People: **Abraham, Jacob, Moses, David, Esther, and many more,**

Leader: Who left their homelands in search of more and better -

People: **Even Christ himself, who was forced to find refuge in a foreign land.**

Leader: So many of our own ancestors and founders were dreamers:

People: **Men and women who set out toward that unknown,**

Leader: Who faced dangers and impossible odds,

People: **Looking for a home.**

Leader: Grant us compassionate hearts:

People: **Belief in your abundance,**

Leader: Belief that there is enough good to go around,

People: **Belief that you love all and provide for all,**

Leader: Belief that any sacrifices we make will be seen by you,

People: **Belief that precedes loving action,**

Leader: Belief in the welcome you offer,

People: **Belief in the welcome we must extend.**

Leader: And help us, as we live out the dream of the Promised Land,

People: **To listen well,**

Leader: To do justly and love mercy,

People: **To humbly serve you and our neighbors. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 297

In Christ Called to Baptize

St. Denio

***THE PEACE**

Amy Dillon

Signs of hospitality and reconciliation may be expressed with a handshake or verbally, if desired.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during The Peace.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Marilyn Hedgpeth

(Following "A Time with the Children," children may join their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

John Weicher

Leader: Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

People: **Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.** (from Revelation 21:6-7)

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

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Offertory Anthem

Eternal God, We Give You Thanks for Music

John Rutter

Eternal God, we give you thanks for music, blest gift from heaven to all your servants here on earth:

In time of joy a crown, in sorrow, consolation; companion through our days of tears and mirth.

We give you thanks for every sound of beauty: for sweetest harmony that echoes in our hearts . . .

for melodies that soar on high like birds at morning . . . for voice and instrument in all their parts.

As we are blest, so may our gifts bless others: may hearts be touched and spirits lifted up anew.

Let music draw together those who live as strangers . . . bring joy to those we love, in thankfulness true.

And when at last we come into your kingdom, all discord over and all earthly labor done,

then sound and silence yield before one equal music, and with the Giver shall our souls be one.

*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 grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **Amen.**

All: **Living God, who made heaven, earth, the sea, and all that is in them, we praise you for rains and fruitful seasons. You satisfy our hearts with food and gladness. Through Christ you call us to walk in your ways. We offer our gifts as leaven, to spread the good news of Christ, the bread of life. We renew our commitment to serve you gladly and to love one another as you first loved us. Amen.**

***HYMN NO. 450**

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

***BENEDICTION**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

***POSTLUDE**

Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode

Paul Manz

~ Worship Notes and Parish Announcements ~

The **Children's Choir** will not rehearse after worship today. We are on a break until the fall.

"Parents' Night Out" will take place this afternoon from 4:45 – 6:15 p.m. Children will get to meet "the robot" and the brains behind it, Sigfried Fullenkamp. We will eat a light dinner and play outside if the weather is good. Parents will slip away down the street for some burgers, refreshments and fellowship together. Let Marilyn Hedgpeth know if you are able to join us this afternoon.

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 May 12, we welcomed 28 visitors to worship.

The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in fond and loving memory of **Jane Z. Buckley** by **Dennis Buckley, Barbara Buckley, Betsy McKeegan** and **Bill Buckley**.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "A Time with Children," children can remain in worship with their parents/guardians or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery. 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 and youth. 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).

Printed copies of **recent sermons** are available in the foyer.

~ Our Prayer Concerns ~

Sympathies: We extend sympathies to **BJ and Parker Morton** on the death of BJ's sister, **Sue Morrow**, on May 11th in Charlotte. A memorial service was held May 17th in Charlotte.

Caroline Rourk, preparing for hip replacement surgery

Traveling mercies for Sam Miglares to Prague and Krakow this month

Traveling mercies for Mindy Douglas and Tim O'Brien during their sabbatical travels

Recovering at Home:

Margaret Mubanga

Joseph Ngumi

Franzi Rokoske (and her mother)

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: **Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett**

Croasdaile Pavilion: **Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin**

Durham Regent: **John Kerr, Ann Prospero**

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: **Helen Garrison**

The Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant**

Family/Friends of the Congregation:

Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood

Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Heath Huberg, friend of Kathy Parkins

Roger Kalthoff, husband of Jane Williams

Patrick Kimiti, friend of Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett

Charlie Ramos, great-nephew of Nora Tubbs Tisdale

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey

LAST CALL FOR GRADUATION INFORMATION

Do you have someone in your family or household graduating from college or high school this spring? If so, help us share the good news. We will acknowledge graduates on Sunday, June 2. Please submit your student's info (name, along with the high school or college and degree) to Valerie in the church office: v.mcmillian@firstpresdurham.org or leave the information in her mailbox at the church. **The deadline for info is this Friday, May 24.**

SCHEDULE FOR NEW OFFICERS

Examination by the Session: Monday, May 20

6:30 p.m. Dinner in Watts-Hill Hall with current officers

7:00-7:30 p.m. Meet with the Session in the East Parlor

Ordination and/or installation: Sunday, June 2 (during worship)

First Official Meeting: Monday, June 24

6:00 p.m. The Diaconate (Deacons) will meet in the East Parlor

6:30 p.m. Dinner in Watts-Hill Hall with all officers (\$8 for the meal)

7:00 p.m. The Session (Elders) will meet in the East Parlor

SPRING DUO RECITAL

Tuesday, May 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

First Presbyterian member and cellist, *Ben Maxwell*, and pianist, *Jacob Wang*, are high school friends from UNC School of the Arts who have both continued to study music in college. They love playing together when they are home in NC and are excited to perform their first duo recital at First Presbyterian. They will play both the Boccherini and Brahms e minor cello sonatas along with some short but sweet favorites including Debussy's "Beau Soir," Dvořák's "Silent Woods," and Schubert's "Nacht und Träume." All are welcome to attend.

GREAT BIG CHURCH FAMILY FESTIVAL

June 9, July 7, August 4

Sunday evenings from 5:30 – 7:30

FPC will host the June event; Trinity Avenue Presbyterian, July; and Mt. Bethel Presbyterian, August. This year's GBCFF will be geared towards service projects that we can do together as a family, young and old. We will eat dinner together, share a Bible story, and sing some songs, but mostly we will be working on service projects: preparing hurricane kits; making and packing lunches for Urban Ministries and Open Table; making blessing bags; gathering supplies for our Armed Forces; packing backpacks with school supplies; etc. The \$10/\$30 cost covers dinner, plus supplies for the projects. On FPC's night, we will have guests from the Light House Raleigh Muslim community joining us. Online registration will begin soon.

~ COMMUNITY INVITATION ~

Announcing the "Vulnerable Families Fund"

Thursday, May 23

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall

Please join Durham Congregations in Action, the NC Sanctuary Coalition, Church World Service, and other community members as they celebrate and promote the startup of a support fund for immigrant households affected by ICE detentions and deportations. RSVP to Javiera Caballero at javieracaballero337@gmail.com.

Of the Father's Love Begotten 108



- 1 Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan
 2 By his Word was all cre - at - ed; he com-mand-ed; it
 3 O, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed when the Vir - gin, full
 4 This is he whom seers in old time chant-ed of with one
 → 5 O ye heights of heaven, a - dore him. An - gel hosts, his prais -
 → 6 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost,



- to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga; he the
 was done: heaven and earth and depths of o - cean, u - ni -
 of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the
 ac - cord, whom the voic - es of the proph - ets prom-ised
 → es sing. Powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him, and ex -
 → to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks-giv - ing and un -



- source, the end - ing he, of the things that are, that
 verse of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft
 Sav - ior of our race, and the babe, the world's Re -
 in their faith - ful word. Now he shines, the long - ex -
 → tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be
 → wea - ried prais - es be. Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -



- have been, and that fu - ture years shall see,
 shin - ing, all that breathes be - neath the sun,
 deem - er, first re - vealed his sa - cred face,
 → pect - ed. Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord,
 → si - lent; ev - ery voice in con - cert ring,
 min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,



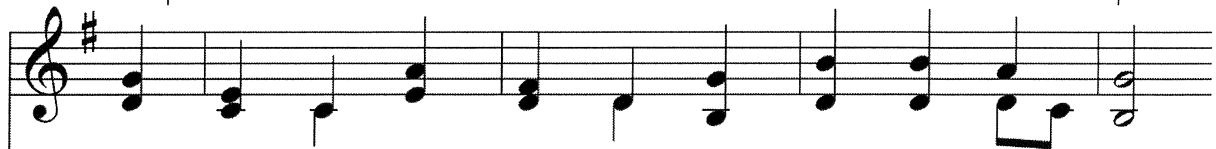
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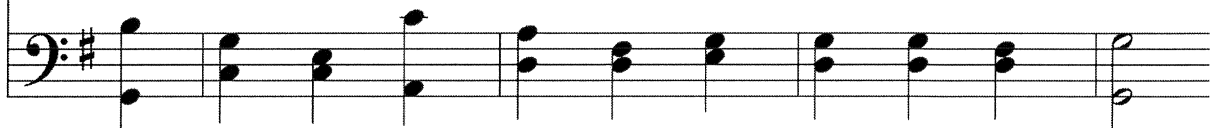
In Christ Called to Baptize 297



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.



Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav - en - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

FREE COMMUNITY FREE CONCERT

THE FAURÉ REQUIEM

“Cantique de Jean Racine”
and works by **John Rutter**
at First Presbyterian Church

PRESENTED BY THE CHOIRS OF:
ST PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
& FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH ORCHESTRA AND ORGAN

SATURDAY—June 1—AT 3 PM

FIRSTPRES - DURHAM.ORG/FAURE-CONCERT/

The joint choirs of St. Philip's Episcopal and First Presbyterian churches of Durham will present a Spring Concert featuring the *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré, one of the most beautiful and beloved works in the choral repertoire. The concert, accompanied by orchestra and organ, will also include anthems by John Rutter. The concert is free and open to the public and is made possible by a gift from the *Horst and Ruth Mary Meyer Fund for Music and Gardens*. Please come and invite your friends.

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HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

*This train is
bound for GLORY!*

**... AND
the International Civil Rights
Museum in Greensboro, NC!**



WHEN: Saturday, August 3, 2019

- Arrive Durham train station 9:45 a.m. to gather, make introductions, and attend to the day's logistics
- Catch 10:32 a.m. train in Durham
- Arrive Greensboro 11:30 a.m. (There is a .3 mile walk from train to museum.)
- Lunch at noon (Location: TBD)
- Guided Tour of International Civil Rights Museum 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Check the Museum's website (<https://www.sitinmovement.org>) for more info.
- Catch 4:48 p.m. train in Greensboro
- Arrive Durham 5:45 p.m.

WHO: Saints (and sinners) from the congregations of First Presbyterian Church and Covenant Presbyterian Church of Durham. You must be at least 14 years old to go. If you are under age 16, a parent or guardian must travel with you.

WHY THIS TRIP, NOW:

This trip is funded by the Lilly Clergy Renewal Grant awarded to Rev. Mindy Douglas and First Presbyterian Church for the summer 2019. The grant provides for a total of 50 persons (ideally 25 from each church) to come together to enjoy the adventure of traveling, learn more about our common history, and grow in faith together.

COST: \$5 per person to reserve a seat. This seat deposit along with the grant funds will cover the train fare, lunch, museum guide, and entrance fee. Train tickets, once purchased, are name specific and non-transferable.

DEADLINE FOR SIGNING UP TO GO:

This trip will be filled on a first come, first served basis starting May 19th. Registration is open until June 20th **OR** whenever there are 25 persons signed up from each church. A waiting list will be kept in case either church is unable to sign up 25 persons.

FPC's coordinator is **Rev. Cheryl Henry** (cheryl.barton.henry@gmail.com, 919-599-9406).

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgists: *George Kafula, Amy Dillon*

Narthex Greeter: *Alice Raney*

Ushers: *Stephen Berry* (head), *Mary-Jo Keenan* (flowers), *Katy Barron* (counting),
Amy Dillon, Dale Gaddis, Emily Wilkins

The Week at a Glance!

Later Today	Monday, May 20	Tuesday, May 21	Wednesday, May 22
<p>The Children's Choir is on break until the fall.</p> <p>4:45 – 6:15 PM Parents' Night Out</p>	<p>9:00 AM – 12 Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews</p> <p>9:30 – 11:00 AM FPC preparing lunch bags at Urban Ministries</p> <p>6:00 PM Diaconate</p> <p>6:30 PM Joint Officers' Supper (new officers welcome)</p> <p>7:00 PM Session (New officers examined for ordination)</p>	<p>8:00 – 8:45 AM High School Youth Midweek Morning Meal (at Parker and Otis)</p> <p>12 Noon Program Staff Summer Planning Session</p> <p>1:30 PM Plan Worship</p> <p>2:30 PM FPC Staff</p> <p>5:30 PM Christian Education Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Vox Men's Chorus</p> <p>Daytimers will meet May 28th at Bennett Pointe Grill</p>	<p>5:00 PM Bell Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Choir</p>
Thursday, May 23	Friday, May 24	Saturday, May 25	Sunday, May 26 <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>
<p>7:00 – 9:00 AM FPC serving breakfast at Urban Ministries</p> <p>9:00 AM – 12 Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews</p> <p>7:00 – 8:00 PM Event announcing Vulnerable Families Fund (Watts-Hill Hall)</p>			<p>9:45 AM Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship The Hunger for Change Offering will be received</p> <p>After Worship Prayer Shawl Group (Wilson Parlor)</p> <p>No Evening Youth Groups</p>

CHURCH STAFF

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator
Robert Daye, Sexton
Mindy Douglas, Pastor (on sabbatical)
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor



Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator
Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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