

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



October 9, 2022

OPENING VOLUNTARY

At the Name of Jesus

Zundel/Wagner

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

John James

MINUTE FOR UNITED MINISTRIES HOMELESS SHELTER

Gus Blum

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We are gathered to worship the God who came in Christ to heal our diseases and to forgive our sin.

People: Give thanks to God, who is our peace.

Leader: May our lives be signs of gratitude for the gifts of salvation and new life.

People: We give thanks with all our hearts for all that God has done for us.

Leader: Praise the Lord, who makes us whole and offers us fresh beginnings.

People: We praise the holy name of God.

Leader: We lift our voices in song as we worship the God who heals us and sets us free.

*** HYMN 610**

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you see us as we are, and you know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not lived as your grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Forgive us and renew us. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, we find healing and new beginnings. Thank you for setting us free from our sin and restoring us to the joy of your salvation. Hear us as we bring to you the regrets and the disappointments that need your healing touch, your forgiving grace.

(Silence for Personal Confession)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Together, as forgiven sinners, we share faith and love.

People: Thanks be to God who strengthens us and encourages us to live the faithful life. Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI**

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*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Jesus Loves Me!

Rev. Bob Brearley

(Children come forward during singing.)

Following the Children's Moment, children preschool through 2nd grade are invited to Children in Worship. Parents can pick up their children from the third floor after worship.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 111

Caroline Moorman

(Pew Bible, pg. 562, Old Testament)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 17:11-19

Rev. Bob Brearley

(Pew Bible, pg. 80, New Testament)

SERMON

"Returning Thanks"

Rev. Bob Brearley

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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.

HYMN 735 (V. 1 and 4)

I Need Thee Every Hour

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Call to Giving

Offertory Anthem

Sheep May Safely Graze

Bach/Agay

Patti Croft, Organ Solo

* Doxology

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

* Offertory Prayer

* **HYMN** 694 (V. 1-2)

Great God of Every Blessing

AURELIA

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 694

AURELIA

*Your Spirit is our teacher, the light that guides our search,
Transforming broken people into the holy church.
For feeding us with mercy, for wisdom you impart:
Sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

O God Beyond All Praising

Holst/Giamanco

* Please stand as you are able

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Special thanks to Patti Croft, guest organist, for sharing her musical talents with us today.

WELCOME!

We especially welcome those of you who are guests today. We invite you to fill out a Welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate as it is passed. We look forward to meeting you. If you have particular questions, please speak to Rev. Brearley.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Elders: John James, Dan Spencer
Assisting in Worship: John James
Deacons: Katherine Brogdon, Paul Herrmann
Youth Liturgist: Caroline Moorman
Jr. Usher: Murrell Smith, Connor Thames

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Elders: Glenn Woodrum, Liza Cooper
Assisting in Worship: Glenn Woodrum
Deacons: Gary Bratton, Harold Nixon
Youth Liturgist: Brogdon Hill
Jr. Usher: Millie Davis, Richard Dwight



PDA is working with affected presbyteries and international partners to assess the aftermath of Hurricane Ian and offer resources and support. Emergency grants have been disbursed and National Response Team members are deployed.

As people of faith, PDA stands ready to partner with presbyteries, congregations and communities to meet the immediate and long-term needs. To support this response, please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church, and designate it to DR000194.

FALL CLEAN-UP DAY

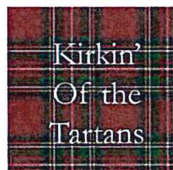
Join us for a Fall Clean-up on Saturday, October 15, from 9-12 am. Tasks will be assigned in your comfort zone. Sign up to help by October 10 at the Information Desk or by calling the church office and you will be contacted with more information. Your response will help determine the jobs on our "To-do list" that can be accomplished. There will be something for everyone!

Sumter United Ministries is in need of winter items for their Homeless Shelter. Our church family is collecting SOCKS, GLOVES and/or WINTER HATS for men and women. Please consider donating any of these items. Please place your items in the container outside the church office.



KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS

October 30, 2022



If you would like your family's tartan included in our Kirkin' o' the Tartans Service, please contact Linda Hogan at lhogan03@yahoo.com or call 803-840-7671 by Wednesday, October 19. A reservation is required in order for your tartan to be carried by a family member or a person to serve as your family's substitute. Carriers will meet in the hallway near the Choir Room on October 30 at 9:30 a.m. for the processional practice.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Tuomey: Mac DuBose

St. Francis Hospital (Greenville): Rose Marie Newman

St. Jude: Elizabeth Williams (Daughter of Barney W. Williams)

Home: Wanda Casker, Isabel Gist, Milo Abbott (Grandson of Norma Abbott), Billy Lyons, Priscilla Dickey, Robert Stage II (Son of Marta Stage)