

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



July 24, 2022

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Andante Amabile

Alexander Ilvinsky

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

Glenn Woodrum

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Welcome to worship. Come let us praise God in every moment, every prayer, every thought, and every song!

People: Through our words and actions, our lives will pay tribute to God in Jesus Christ.

Leader: Our Lord teaches us how to pray and how to live and how to love all people.

People: Sensing the presence of the Holy, we bow our heads before the One who is our wisdom and strength.

Leader: We place ourselves before God that we may be touched and cleansed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

People: Rejoice in the Lord always. Sing praises to the God who makes all things new!

*** HYMN 403**

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, Creator and Redeemer, in reverence we bow before you, giving thanks for your love and seeking your grace. Humbly we acknowledge that you have blessed us and called us to be your servants in the world. Yet we confess that we have hoarded more than our share of the world's bounty; that we have failed to witness by word and action to the liberating truth of Jesus Christ. Teach us to pray in such a way that we may be changed by our prayers. Forgive us and grant us a new birth of spirit, that we may be your instruments of oneness and of joy, of healing and of peace, of blessing and of encouragement. We bring to you the burdens that weigh upon us and the concerns that linger in our hearts.

(Silence for Personal Confession)

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God! May we pray without ceasing, and may we seek the Lord in all things.

*** 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

Rev. Bob Brearley

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 READING

Psalms 85:4-13

Glenn Woodrum

(Pew Bible, pg. 543, Old Testament)

HYMN 466 (Remain seated)

Come and Fill Our Hearts

CONFITEMINI DOMINO

Solo, Choir, then Congregation

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 11:1-13

Rev. Bob Brearley

(Pew Bible, pg. 72, New Testament)

SERMON

"Praying As Though You Mean It"

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.

INVITATION TO PRAYER (Remain seated) (Sing twice)

SHEPHERD ME

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
Beyond my fears, from death into life.*

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

*Make Me A Channel of Your Peace
(Prayer of St. Francis)*

Chancel Choir

Sebastian Temple

*** 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 465**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

*** BENEDICTION**

*** CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 543**

GREEN TYLER

*God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me: O Christ, surround me.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpeter di Marcate

Arcangelo Corelli

*** Please stand as you are able**

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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: Glenn Woodrum, Liza Cooper
Assisting in Worship: Glenn Woodrum
Deacons: Colin Davis, Debbie Jackson

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Elders: Gus Blum, Norma Abbott
Assisting in Worship: Gus Blum
Deacons: Jim Alexander, Suzanne Wates



GEAR UP FOR LEARNING

Sumter United Ministries has asked for our help with Gear Up for Learning. First Presbyterian Church has volunteered to collect 2600 college ruled spiral notebooks for donation to the Sumter School District. Please donate notebooks by August 8. You may leave them in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for helping gather these school supplies for Sumter children.

NEW HARMONY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN HELP SHOPS

Georgetown Presbyterian Church
558 Black River Road, Georgetown, SC 29440
August 6, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Bible study overview: “Celebrating Sabbath”

There will be help shops for Moderator, Treasurer, Historian, IT information and Exercise Presentation.



JOYS AND CONCERNS

Sloan Kettering: Mayes DuBose

Tuomey Rehab: John Michael Osteen

Tuomey: Carolita Cantrell

Home: Sue Fienning, Windy Corbett, Chuck Fienning, Caroline Sigmon,
Bill Scobee, Robert Stage II (Son of Marta Stage)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to . . .

- . . . Randy Coker and Lisa Mellon on the death of their mother, Roberta Coker, who died July 15;
- . . . Charlie Denny on the death of his sister, Margaret Denny Hicks, who died July 14 in Shelby, North Carolina.