

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



August 28, 2022

OPENING VOLUNTARY

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Arr. by Anne A. Davis

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

Dan Spencer

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship the God who calls us to faithful discipleship.

People: We come trusting God to lead us as we follow Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Leader: May God gift us with a humble spirit and a generous heart as we seek to be a blessing to others.

People: May we place others above ourselves as we make room in our lives for those who need us and need God.

Leader: We rejoice that God welcomes us home again and again with amazing grace.

People: We lift our voices and sing praises to our God!

* HYMN 401

Here in This Place (Gather Us In)

GATHER US IN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who knows us better than we know ourselves, we come into your presence with confessions upon our lips. We have been molded by the values and selfishness of this world, and we think too highly of our opinions and pronouncements. Yet we still desire to be disciples of the Christ, who lived a very different life from us. Most merciful God, loosen us from the grip of the world, so that we may place our lives in your good and loving hands. Forgive us. Heal us. Renew us. Humble us. Teach us to welcome others as you have welcomed us into your love. Hear our prayers as we name our need and remember our brokenness this day.

(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. Therefore, love God, care for one another, and be at peace. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: We intend to live in the light of Christ all our days. Thanks be to God!

* 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 112

Dan Spencer

(Pew Bible, pg. 563, Old Testament)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 14:1-11

Rev. Bob Brearley

(Pew Bible, pg. 77, New Testament)

SERMON

"Finding a Place to Sit"

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 175 (Remain seated)

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

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

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Gilbert M. Martin

Chancel Choir

* 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** 372 (V. 1-4)

O for a World

AZMON

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 372

AZMON

*O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Arr. by Julia Morgan

* 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: Dan Spencer, Glenn Woodrum
Assisting in Worship: Dan Spencer
Deacons: Debbie Jackson, Kathy Lyons

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Elders: Norma Abbott, Gus Blum
Assisting in Worship: Norma Abbott
Deacons: Matthew Berger, Gary Bratton

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Council of Presbyterian Women will meet Monday, August 29, at 10:00 a.m. in the McLaurin Room.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Attention all First Presbyterian Members who are interested in:

- Baking or delivering a casserole to a church member in need
- Helping transport a church member to an appointment
- Helping with small construction/repair jobs in members' homes

Please contact Missy Coulter at coultervm@aol.com or 803-983-2039. We are currently forming new committees to help church members in need of these services. No meetings will be required. Please sign up to help if interested!



COME SEE MONTREAT

October 9-12

Don't forget to pick up a brochure from the tables outside the sanctuary or church office and sign up for this trip. Rooms are available on a first come basis and are reserved with payment. There will be a meeting on Wednesday, September 7, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to discuss details of the trip.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 IS RALLY DAY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Preschool and elementary age children will meet in their classrooms at 9:30 a.m.
- Middle School will meet in the multi-purpose room (across from the FH) at 9:30 a.m.
- High School will meet at 5:00 p.m. in the West Building – Bring your Bible!



JOYS AND CONCERNS

MUSC: Milo Abbott (Grandson of Norma Abbott)

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

Pocataligo River Health & Rehab (Manning): Wanda Casker

National Healthcare: Carolita Cantrell

Home: Billy Lyons, Jane Tisdale, Priscilla Dickey, John Michael Osteen, Windy Corbett,
Bill Scobee, Robert Stage II (Son of Marta Stage)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Caroline Sigmon, who died August 22.

CONGRATULATIONS to Laura (Coker) and Travis Welborn on the birth of a daughter, Noa Allison Welborn, born on August 11 in Charlotte. Proud grandparents are Lisa and Randy Coker.