



First Presbyterian Church  
 Third Sunday  
 after Pentecost  
 June 25, 2017

<b>SHARE</b> the amazing love of God	<b>REFLECT</b> the light of Jesus Christ	<b>LIVE</b> and serve joyfully in the Spirit's power
757-397-3622    515 Court St. Portsmouth, VA 23704 <a href="http://www.fpcPorts.org">www.fpcPorts.org</a>		

## Coming Events

Sunday, June 25  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship**  
**Romans 6:1-11**  
**Matthew 10:31-39**  
**"Sword, not Peace"**

Wednesday, June 28  
**Courtyard Concert**  
6:00 Dinner  
7:00 Charlton Phaneuf

Sunday, July 2  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship**

Sunday, July 9  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship, including  
receiving gifts for mission  
and outreach**

Wednesday, July 12  
**Courtyard Concert**  
6:00 Dinner  
7:00 The Langley Brass  
Quartet

Sunday, July 16  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship**

Sunday, July 23  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship**

Sunday, July 30  
9:00 Breakfast fellowship  
9:20 Children's music  
9:30 Sunday school  
**10:30 Worship**

**Reminder: During  
worship, please enter  
through the Court Street  
sanctuary doors. All other  
doors will be locked.**



**\*Please rise in body and  
spirit.**

## *Made One by Christ*

Welcome

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Blessed Jesus at Your Word"

Post

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**\* Hymn #386**

**"Come, Worship God"**

## *Clothed by Christ*

Moment of Silence

### **Corporate Prayer of Confession**

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Our old selves were crucified with Him, so that we might be slaves to sin no more. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**God our redeemer, we confess that we remain captivated by sin. We fail in our love for You, forgetting Your gracious acts. We fail in our love for one another, forsaking our neighbors in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us be no longer bound by sin, but released, restored, set free to worship and serve You in freedom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

Sharing of Christ's Peace

**\* Song of Praise, "We Are Singing"**

**We are singing for the Lord is our Light;  
We are singing for the Lord is our Light. (Repeat)**

**We are singing, singing; we are singing,  
Oh, we are singing for the Lord is our Light. (Repeat)**

*Repeat using the word **dancing** for singing.*

*Sharing God's Blessings and Compassion*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Musical Offering "Christ Hath a Garden" Gerald Near

**\*Doxology Hymn #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

**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.**

*Hearing God's Word of Hope and Power*

Time with the Children

**\* Hymn #76 "Do Not Be Afraid"**

First Reading Romans 6:1-11 page 981

Gospel Reading Matthew 10:31-39 page 844

Sermon "Sword, not Peace"

The Rev. Steve Frazier

## *Taking Christ's Blessing to the World*

\* Hymn #726 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

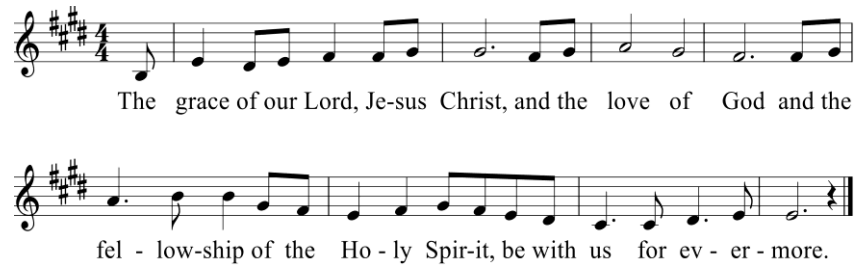
Charge

A Blessing in Music

"Postlude"

Peeters

\* Benediction (sung)



The grace of our Lord, Je-sus Christ, and the love of God and the  
fel - low-ship of the Ho - ly Spir-it, be with us for ev - er - more.

### *"Christ Hath a Garden"*

*Christ hath a garden walled around,  
a paradise of fruitful ground,  
chosen by love and fenced by grace  
from out the world's wide wilderness.*

*Like trees of spice, His servants stand,  
there planted by His mighty hand;  
by Eden's gracious streams that flow  
to feed their beauty, where they grow.*

*Awake, O wind of heav'n, and bear  
their sweetest perfume through the air:  
stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom,  
till the loved Master come.*

*That He may come, and linger yet  
among the trees that He hath set;  
that He may ever-more be seen  
to walk amid the springing green.*

*The Vision of the Congregation: We see ourselves as the embracing arms of Jesus Christ for each other, for the community, and for the world.*

## **Welcome to our friends and visitors!**

We hope that you find our congregation a welcoming one.

**Your presence enriches our worship of God.**

Please join us after worship for refreshments and fellowship in our courtyard lobby.

**A donation**, in memory of Kendall Rhodes, was made by Carl Rhodes.

**The offering and attendance figures** for June 18 will be published in the July 2 bulletin.

**The next concert in our Courtyard Concert series** will be on Wednesday, June 28, featuring the Charlton Phaneuf. The concert begins at 7:00 PM and is free and open to the public. Bring your lawn chair and join us as we fill the air of downtown Portsmouth with music, excitement and fun. To register for 6:00 dinner (\$7.00), please fill out a "Count Me In" card or call the church office at 397-3622 by Tuesday, July 11.

### **Prayer List**

Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son), Karen Diggs, Jackie and Tyler Forsythe, Stephanie Green, Lanier Halterman, Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob and Judy Powell), Morgan Juxon Lankford (Paul Butler's niece) and family, Monica Manley, Brian Mills, Carl Rhodes, the Winkler and Powell families, Dorothy Wooldridge (friend of Carl Rhodes)

### **Everyone suffering with cancer and facing surgery**

#### **Our friends at home, especially**

Lanier Halterman, Frances Hardy, AT & Nancy Mayo, Ann Michaluk, Sue Parker, Lane Pittman, Harvey Spiers, Patrice & Phil Winkler, Joyce Wright, Grace Yingling

### **Leading in worship today**

The Rev. Steve Frazier

Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries

Ushers: David Culpepper, Stuart Shippey or Dan Swanson

Counters: David Culpepper, TBD

### June Offerings

6/4	\$ 2,869.00	6/18
6/11	\$ 1,310.00	6/25
		MTD \$ 4,179.00

### June Attendance

6/4	Worship	36	Sunday school	15
6/11	Worship	40	Sunday school	13
6/18	Worship		Sunday school	
6/25	Worship		Sunday school	

The church office will be open on Wednesdays only, from 1:00 – 4:00.

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### Session

The Rev. Steve Frazier, Moderator of Session  
Gail Pittman (17), Clerk of Session  
Administration/Property – Michael Broadhurst (17)  
Christian Formation – Betty Bartlett (19) | Fellowship – Kay Kidd (19)  
Finance - Diane Griffin (18) | Mission/Outreach – Oralie Wilhite (17)  
Worship - Agnes McFadden (17) and David Culpepper (17)

Members and friends of the congregation are encouraged to contact the appropriate elder with their comments and suggestions.

### Church Staff

The Rev. Steve Frazier, Covenant Pastor 397-3622 ext. 202  
Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries 397-3622 ext. 203

<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>Ministries</u>
6/17 Gabrielle Furman, Dan Swanson	<b>6/4</b> BF Donuts, Coffee, Grits SS Alice Butler PWF
6/18 Frances Hardy	<b>6/11</b> BF Donuts, Coffee, Grits SS Alice butler PWF Lou Wilhite
6/25 Mason Winkler	<b>6/18</b> BF Donuts, Coffee, Grits SS Alice Butler PWF Alice & Rudy Simpson
6/26 Mackenzie Taylor	<b>6/25</b> BF Donuts, Coffee, Grits SS Alice Butler PWF Pat Sparks
6/28 Barbara Livingston	
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