



First Presbyterian Church
 Ninth Sunday
 after Pentecost
 August 6, 2017

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

Coming Events

Sunday, August 6
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, with the Lord's supper

Sunday, August 13
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including receiving gifts for Mission and Outreach

Wednesday, August 16
Courtyard Concert
6:00 Dinner
7:00 Who We Are Not

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

Sunday, August 27
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship

Sunday, September 3
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, with the Lord's supper

Wednesday, September 6
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Sunday, September 10
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including receiving gifts for Mission and Outreach

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 "Divinium Mysterium" arr. Innes

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*** Hymn #667**
"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

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 "I Am the Bread of Life"

Simon Lole

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

*** 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.

Hearing God's Word of Hope and Power

Time with the Children

First Reading

Romans 9:1-5

page 984

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

pages 848-849

Sermon

"Leftovers in Portsmouth"

The Rev. Steve Frazier

*** Hymn #460**

"Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Communion of the People

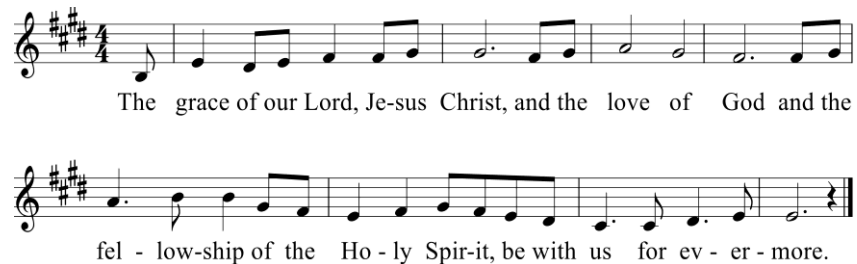
Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #838 "Standing on the Promises"

Charge

A Blessing in Music "Lobe den Herren" arr. R. Parks

* 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.

I Am the Bread of Life

*I am the bread of life;
He who comes to Me will not hunger,
And he who believes in Me shall never thirst.*

*I have come down from heaven,
Not to do My own will,
But the will of Him who sent Me.*

*I am the bread of life;
He who comes to Me will not hunger,
And he who believes in Me shall never thirst.*

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.

The flowers in the sanctuary today, given by Pat Sparks, are in memory of Randy Sparks.

Thank you to Amanda McCormick (flute), John Hackworth (guitar), and Joe Wetherbee for their musical contributions to worship today.

The last concert in our Courtyard Concert series will be on Wednesday, August 16, featuring Who We Are Not. 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, August 15.

Prayer List

Charles Bartlett (recovering from heart surgery),
Jackie & Tyler Forsythe, Rosco & Betty Graham, Lanier Halterman,
Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob & Judy Powell),
Brian Mills, Jim Plaatsman, Carl Rhodes,
Michael (Smitty) & Mallory Smith (birth of Reagan),
Phil Winkler (recovering in Norfolk Sentara's burn unit),
the Winkler and Powell families,
Dorothy Wooldridge (friend of Carl Rhodes)

Everyone suffering with cancer and facing surgery

Our friends at home, especially

Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son), Lanier Halterman, Frances Hardy,
Ann Michaluk, Sue Parker, Lane Pittman, Harvey Spiers,
Patrice & Phil Winkler, Joyce Wright, Grace Yingling

Our bulletin is printed on Wednesday. We are pleased to include any you wish to be added to the prayer list. You may contact Raymond (email: bulletin@fpcports.org, cell: 757-319-5019) or leave a message at the church office (757-397-3622) by Tuesday evening.

Leading in worship today

The Rev. Steve Frazier
Joseph Wetherbee, Jr., guest organist
Communion preparation: Gail Pittman
Ushers: David Culpepper, Stuart Shippey or Dan Swanson
Counters: David Culpepper, TBD

July Offerings

7/2	\$ 3,163.00	7/23	\$ 4,682.82
7/9	\$ 2,524.00	7/30	\$ 1,800.83
7/16	\$ 2,263.27	MTD	\$14,433.92

July Attendance

7/4	Worship	62	Sunday school	17
7/9	Worship	48	Sunday school	23
7/16	Worship	48	Sunday school	15
7/23	Worship	55	Sunday school	20
7/30	Worship	56	Sunday school	22

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

In order to prepare the bulletin in a timely manner, all notices should be sent to (pastor@fpcports.org) and/or the bulletin editor (bulletin@fpcports.org) no later than 6 pm Tuesday.

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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

Birthdays	Ministries			
8/7 Makayla Winkler 8/10 Mike Taylor 8/11 Margaret Smith 8/12 Nancy Mayo 8/17 Carrie Griffin 8/19 Grady Fitzwater 8/21 Sylvia Stephenson 8/22 Emily Fay 8/23 Richard Griffin 8/28 Linda Hackworth 8/29 Alice Simpson Missing a birthday? Please contact: Church pastor@fpcports.org 397-3622 Bulletin Editor bulletin@fpcports.org	8/6 BF Dan Swanson SS Alice Simpson PWF Pat Sparks PLBC 8/13 BF Raymond Rodrigues SS Diane Griffin PWF PLBC Green Acres 8/20 BF SS Diane Griffin PWF PLBC 8/27 BF SS Diane Griffin PWF PLBC			
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