



First Presbyterian Church
 Tenth Sunday
 after Pentecost
 August 13, 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 13
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including receiving gifts for Mission and Outreach
"Let's Walk on Water"

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
"Bellyachers and Crybabies"

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

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

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 "Enemies and Duct Tape"

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 "The Humble Heart" Held

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*** Hymn #41 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"**

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

Today we receive gifts for Mission and Outreach.

Choral Musical Offering "In the Shadow of Your Wings" John Leavitt

***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 #834 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"**

First Reading Romans 10:5-15 page 985

Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-33 page 849

Sermon "Let's Walk on Water"

The Rev. Steve Frazier

Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

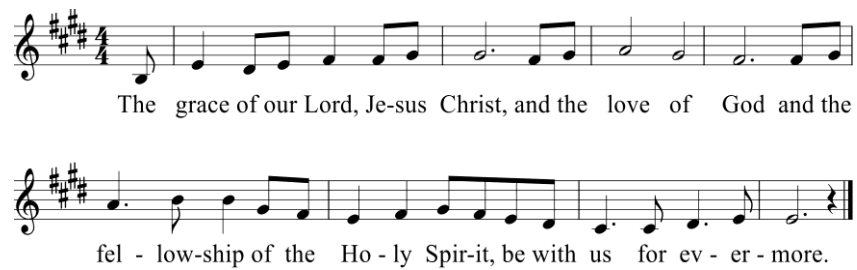
Charge

A Blessing in Music

"Acton"

Held

* 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.

In The Shadow of Your Wings

Gracious God, be merciful;

O, my God, be merciful.

My soul is crying out to You.

My only refuge Lord is You, God most high.

In the shadow of Your wings,

'neath the shadow of Your wings,

My soul finds rest from my deep distress.

My heart hides there till this darkness passes by.

I cry to God on high

whose purpose is fulfilled for me.

He reaches down to save

and reproaches him who threatens me.

Gracious God, be merciful;

O, my God, be merciful.

My soul finds love and truth in You.

No other place of safety, Lord, but You.

In the shadow of Your wings I hide,

O, my God most high.

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 Diane & Earl Griffin, are in honor of their children, Carrie and Richard.

Human Rights Day, "Kindling New Fires of Hope," will be held on Friday, Sept. 1, at St. James Episcopal Church (928 Effingham St., Portsmouth). Fellowship and refreshments will be at 10:30 am, followed by the program at 11:00 am. A Church Women United Human Rights Award will be presented to Dr. Darlene Sparks Washington, the Executive Director of Portsmouth Volunteers for the Homeless. She will be the speaker for the event.

The last concert in our Courtyard Concert series will be on Wednesday, Aug. 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. 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, Aug. 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
Edna Broadhurst, Directory of Music Ministries
Ushers: David Culpepper, Dan Swanson
Counters: David Culpepper, TBD

August Offerings

8/6 \$ 3,018.01 8/20
8/13 8/27
MTD \$ 3,018.01

August Attendance

8/6 Worship 46 Sunday school 22
8/13 Worship Sunday school
8/20 Worship Sunday school
8/27 Worship Sunday school

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

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

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