



First Presbyterian Church
 Eighteenth Sunday
 after Pentecost
 October 8, 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, October 8
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including receiving gifts for Missions and Outreach, introduction of new members, and a congregational meeting "The Champion Pharisee"

Wednesday, October 11
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Thursday, October 12
10:00 Bible study "Book of Exodus" with the Rev. Dr. Chreston Holoman

Sunday, October 15
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship "WHATEVER"

Wednesday, October 18
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Thursday, October 19
10:00 Bible study "Book of Exodus" with the Rev. Dr. Chreston Holoman

Sunday, October 22
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship "The Set-up"

Wednesday, October 25
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Thursday, October 26
10:00 Bible study "Book of Exodus" with the Rev. Dr. Chreston Holoman

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 "Morning Prayer"

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*** Hymn #299 "You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"**

Clothed by Christ

Moment of Silence

Corporate Prayer of Confession

We are broken vessels that hold no water, yet God is gracious to us.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. We seek our own self-interest instead of serving others. We glorify power and wealth instead of worshipping You. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to treasure Your gifts and to seek the good of all, so that we may be a blessing, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

As a potter holds a piece of clay, God holds and shapes our lives. 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 "Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place"

Hal H. Hopson

Michael Broadhurst and Amanda McCormick, flute

***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

The Lesson I Corinthians 11:23-26 pages 998-999

Sermon "Always in Remembrance" Steve Frazier

Welcome New Members

*** Hymn #525 "Let Us Break Bread Together"**

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 #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Charge

A Blessing in Music "Menuet" Schubert

* 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.

Congregational Meeting

Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place

*Lord, You have been our dwelling place,
Our constant hope and stay
Throughout all the generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
From everlasting to everlasting You are God.*

*O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!*

*A thousand years in Your sight are like yesterday,
Like yesterday past and gone,
Like a dream in the night.*

*We are swept away like the grass of the field;
In the morning it is green; by the evening it is gone.*

*O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Be Thou our guide while life shall last
And our eternal home.*

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.

There will be a congregational meeting immediately after worship to receive the report from the Nominating Committee and elect Elders for the class of 2020.

Prayer List

Charles Bartlett (recovering from heart surgery),
James Briggs (Agnes McFadden's grandson),
Jackie & Tyler Forsythe, Rosco & Betty Graham, Lanier Halterman,
Amanda & DJ Hairston (Matthew Goodrich's sister & brother-in-law)
Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob & Judy Powell),
Brian Mills, Joan & Jim Plaatsman, Carl Rhodes,
Michael (Smitty) & Mallory Smith (birth of Reagan),
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 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. Dr. Steve Frazier
Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries
Communion preparation: Gail Pittman
Communion servers: Steve Frazier, Nancy Grant,
Diane Griffin,
Ushers: David Culpepper, Lou Wilhite
Counters: David Culpepper, TBD

October Offerings

10/1	\$ 1,628.00	10/23
10/8		10/30
10/15		MTD \$ 1,628.00

October Attendance

10/1	Worship	59	Sunday school	28
10/8	Worship		Sunday school	
10/15	Worship		Sunday school	
10/23	Worship		Sunday school	
10/30	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. Dr. Steve Frazier, Moderator of Session
Gail Pittman (17), Clerk of Session
Administration/Property – Michael Broadhurst (17)
Christian Formation/Fellowship – Betty Bartlett (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>
10/3 Michele Graupmann Barbara Bond	10/1 BF Betty Bond/Sylvia Stephenson SS Nancy Grant PWF Pat Sparks PLBC Jack & Sue Fay
10/11 Robby Pond	10/8 BF Pat Sparks SS Nancy Grant PWF PLBC Jack & Sue Fay
10/21 Todd Taylor Gail Pittman	10/15 BF Raymond Rodrigues SS Nancy Grant PWF Agnes McFadden/Penny Brangan PLBC Green Acres
10/24 John Fay	10/22 BF SS Nancy Grant PWF PLBC Lou Wilhite/Oralie Wilhite
10/25 Frances Hasty	10/29 BF SS Nancy Grant PWF PLBC
Missing a birthday? Please contact: Church pastor@fpcports.org 397-3622 Bulletin Editor bulletin@fpcports.org	

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