Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 28, 2022 – 10:30 AM Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements-Thank you for joining us for this morning's worship service. We are glad to have you here! If this is your first time visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's form, found in the back of most pews. We would be pleased to add you to our email list, too. Please use your discretion with masking. Again, welcome!

Prelude "Adagio for Glass Harmonic" Mozart

Call to Worship

The prophets of old spoke of God's justice, even when it was unwelcome.

Who will hear their message?

We will listen and we will hear!

Responding to God's call, Jesus traveled, preaching and teaching all who would listen.

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Christ sent out disciples two by two, to spread the good news in any place that would welcome them.

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God's prophets are among us still, around the world and in these pews.

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Hymn 14

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession-followed by a time for silent confession and prayer

Holy God, you know how stubborn we can be.

You call us to serve others, and we stay in the comfort of our own homes.

You would send us to where the hopeless live but we are reluctant to leave the comfort of our complacency.

Forgive us and transform our defiance into discipleship, and our rejection of others into the resurrection of welcoming all people as sisters and brothers in Christ.

Help us to love as faithfully as you have always loved us, and send us forth to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with everyone we meet.

Assurance of God's Grace

God hears our words and makes us new, sending us out to bring hope and joy to all the world.

We hear the good news, we believe the good news, we will live out the good news.

Friends, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Lead on Softly, Lord"

Offertory Anthem "Lead on Softly, Lord" Posegate

Lead on softly, Lord lead on. In the unknown days to come, when I may be far from home, will you lead on softly, Lord lead on. I must follow through the darkness, Lord lead on. Light for only a step at a time. Your hand on mine, follow through the darkness. I must keep my eyes upon you, Lord lead on. Though my eyes be blind with tears, when I cannot calm my fears. I must keep my eyes upon you, Lord lead on. Lead on softly, Lord lead on.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People-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. Lead us not into temptation, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

First Lesson 2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.'

So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel.

David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years.

David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

Hymn 441

"Hear the Good News of Salvation"

Second Lesson Mark 6: 1-13

Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

"Where did this man get these things?" they asked. "What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them."

They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

"Sweet Temptations" Rev. Steve Frazier Sermon

A sermon series on the Lord's Prayer – And Lead Us Not into Temptation

Hymn 435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Benediction

Postlude/Prayers for the Journey "Trumpet Tune" Martin

During the postlude, anyone with a prayer concern is invited to come forward to pray with Pastor Steve.

First Presbyterian Church's Peace, Love and a Bag of Chips is looking for **new/gently-used** t-shirts and sock donations. There will be a collection bin placed in the Courtyard Lobby. "And he would answer and say to them, "The man who has two tunics is to share with him who has none; and he who has food is to do likewise." -Luke 3:11 Also, there is an urgent need for additional FPC volunteers to be on hand between 3:30-5:00 pm on Sundays. Most weeks, it simply requires someone willing to be on-site, greet the partner church volunteers who have prepared and will serve the meal, then locking up afterward (including the Courtyard). At least 1 (and often 3) FPC veterans are there each week, too. We're all in this together! Anyone interested in learning the (very minimal) ropes, please see Oralie Wilhite, Mary Ann Taylor or Sue Fay.

Church Staff

Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

In the name of Jesus Christ, welcome to this morning's service of worship. Thank you for helping us maintain social distancing and a clean worship environment. Until the Corona Virus is no longer a health threat, we are participating in a more limited liturgy.

Week of August 28- Prayers of the People

- Al Fry
- Paul Butler
- Lane Pittman
- Rose Layman

- Emily Bond
- Linda Thompson
- Monica Manley
- Those who have COVID

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 7 Makavla Winkler
- 10 Mike Taylor
- 12 Nancy Mayo
- 16 Wayne Rutsch
- 17 Carrie Griffin
- 19 Grady Fitzwater
- 19 Linda Rodrigues
- 20 Art Kennis
- 22 Emily Fay
- 23 Ryan Grady Kenrick (Grady),
- 23 Richard Griffin
- 26 Margie Arambula
- 26 Kim McCormick
- 28 Linda Hackworth
- 29 Alice Simpson
- 29 Logan Aliff
- 31 Benjamin McCormick

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church Celebrating Our 200th Year of Ministry

We are delighted to welcome you to the life and ministry of First Presbyterian Church. We are new and long-time residents, single adults, couples, black, white, Asian, LGBT, one and two parent families, military personnel, teens, and college students. Our faith traditions and stories are varied. What gathers us is God's inviting grace.

Our mission is to glorify God through joyful worship, hospitality, unceasing prayer, engaging study and acts of compassion. Our Peace, Love and a Bag of Chips outreach often needs volunteers to prepare 25 lunches (in their home). Please let Oralie Wilhite at 757-319-5020 know of your interest.

Dr. Steve Frazier, was born in Seoul, Korea and raised in Washington State. He received his Master of Divinity degree from San Francisco Seminary and his Doctor of Ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey. He works full time for Towne Bank as an insurance broker specializing in the senior adult market. He came to First Presbyterian in 2016 as our part-time Covenant Pastor. Steve and his wife, Nancy, have a blended family of three grown children and two grandchildren.

Edna Broadhurst, our Director of Music Ministries, was baptized as an infant by her grandfather, Rev. H. Turner. Edna came to First Presbyterian Church in 1981 as the organist and choir director. She also teaches music at The Williams School in Ghent, Norfolk, teaches private piano/organ lessons, and sings with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra Chorus. She generously shares her musical talents. She holds a degree in Organ Performance from Old Dominion University and advanced studies from Appalachian State University and Westminster Choir College. She is married to Michael and they have a daughter, two grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

If you are looking for a church family, we believe First Presbyterian is a community where you can grow spiritually and share the life and gifts God has given to you. COVID19 has derailed some of our plans. Nonetheless, we are confident God has new adventures and opportunities in store to serve God and love our neighbors. For regular updates please visit our website: fpcports.org.

The Session

Dr. Steven E. Frazier – Moderator Elder Kim McCormick - Clerk

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Mary Leming
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