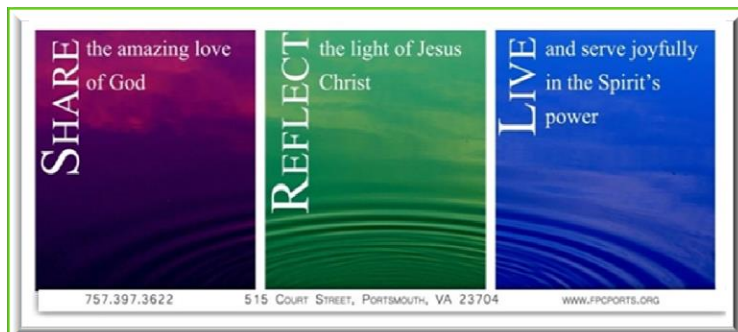




First Presbyterian Church
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
July 24, 2016



Coming Events

Sunday, July 24
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Sunday, July 31
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Tuesday, August 2
10:30 Ladies' circle

Sunday, August 7
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship with the
Lord's supper
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Sunday, August 14
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, **including
receiving gifts for local
mission and outreach**
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

**Monday, August 15
7:00 Session meeting**

Sunday, Aug 21
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Wednesday, Aug. 24
6:00 Pre-concert dinner
(\$7 suggested donation)
7:00 Courtyard concert
with 2 for Fun



**Please rise in body and
spirit.*

Made One by Christ

Welcome

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Prelude in F"
Champion de Chambonnières

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #2**
"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Clothed by Christ

Moment of Silence

Corporate Prayer of Confession

We have been buried with Christ in baptism,
in order that we might be raised with Him
through faith in the power of God.

**Faithful and loving God, we confess that we
have not lived in faith and love. You claim us
as Your own people, but we forsake Your
holy covenant. You offer us the gift of prayer,
but we forget to lift our hearts to You.**

**Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to live our
lives in Christ, rooted and grounded in our
faith and growing each day in Your love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Once we were dead in sin; now we are alive in
Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are
forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

Sharing of Christ's Peace

*** Song of Praise, Hymn #453 "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"**

**Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you.**

***Refrain:* God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah! God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!**

They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear. They, who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word.

Repeat refrain

Sharing God's Blessings and Compassion

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.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Musical Offering "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" Faber

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

Affirmation of Faith (Adapted from the Confession of Belhar)

We believe that God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind. We believe that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows, and blocks the path of the ungodly.

Hearing God's Word of Hope and Power

Time with the Children

*** Hymn #465 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson Colossians 2: 6 - 15 page 1027

Gospel Lesson Luke 11: 1 - 13 page 903

Sermon "Un-trusting Prayer"

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #39

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Charge

A Blessing in Music

"Plein Jeu"

Marchland

* 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.

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

*There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice
which is more than liberty.*

*There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heav'n.*

*There is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment giv'n.*

*There is welcome for the sinner
and a promised grace made good;
there is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in His blood.*

*There is grace enough for thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.*

*For the love of God is broader
than the measures of our mind,
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.*

*But we make this love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify its strictness
with a zeal God will not own.*

*'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
it is something more than all:
greater good because of evil,
larger mercy through the fall.
Make our love, O God, more faithful;
let us take You at Your word,
and our lives will be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.*

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.

Donations in the memory of Pete Brown were made by Barbara Brown, Sylvia Stephenson, and the Friendship Class.

In order to comply with City building codes, the Session has accepted a proposal to do required renovation and maintenance, primarily to the church steeple. This is an unbudgeted expense of \$15,400.00, and the Session is asking for donations from the congregation to help cover this cost. Mike Broadhurst or Diane Griffin can provide details.

Due to staff changes at John Tyler Elementary school, the Backpack Mission is coming to an end. We will actively seek other opportunities to serve the needs of our community and suggestions are welcomed. We will continue to collect a local mission offering on the second Sunday of each month. Thank you for your generous support!

Please note: the summer worship schedule will continue through the month of September.

Summer Courtyard Concert Series will conclude on August 24
6pm, pre-concert dinner (\$7); 7pm, 2 for Fun

Prayer List

Jeff Baker (Norma Halterman's brother-in-law),
Richard Butler (Paul's cousin), Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son),
Karen Diggs, Jackie and Tyler Forsythe,
the Goodwin family (neighbors of Cecilia and Alfred Fry),
Stephanie Green, Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob and Judy Powell),
Carl Rhodes, Sylvia Stephenson, the Winkler and Powell families,
Dorothy Wooldridge (friend of Carl Rhodes)

To the church triumphant

Robert Arthur "Bob" Westerwick (Barry Westerwick's father)
Terry Pomeroy (Diane Griffin's sister-in-law)

Everyone suffering with cancer and facing surgery

Our friends at home, especially

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

Leading in worship today

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier
Roger Peyton, Guest Organist
Ushers: Paul Butler, David Culpepper
Counters: David Culpepper, Norma Halterman

July Offerings

7/3	\$ 2,391.50	7/24	
7/10	\$ 2,954.00	7/31	
7/17	\$ 2,813.00	MTD	\$ 8,158.50

July Attendance

7/3	Worship	33	Sunday school	11
7/10	Worship	46	Sunday school	14
7/17	Worship	27	Sunday school	11
7/24	Worship		Sunday school	
7/31	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 (rjrodriguesiii@yahoo.com) no later than 6pm Tuesday.

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Session

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier, Moderator of Session
Gail Pittman, Clerk of Session
Administration, led by Paul Butler
Congregational Fellowship, led by Oralie Wilhite
Finance, led by Diane Griffin
Mission and Outreach, led by Jennifer Patgorski
Property, led by Michael Broadhurst
Worship, led by Agnes McFadden and David Culpepper

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

Church Staff

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

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Birthdays</u></p> <p>7/6 Megan Diggs 7/8 Arianna Templeton</p> <p><i>Missing a birthday? Please contact: Church pastor@fpcports.org 397-3622</i></p> <p><i>Bulletin Editor rjrodriguesiii@yahoo.com</i></p> <p><i>Newsletter Editor slp149@aol.com</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ministries</u></p> <p>7/3 Sun. Sch. Paul Butler PWF* Lou Wilhite</p> <p>7/10 Sun. Sch. Paul Butler PWF* Oralie Wilhite</p> <p>7/17 Sun. Sch. Diane Griffin PWF* Lou Wilhite</p> <p>7/24 Sun. Sch. Paul Butler PWF* Diane and Earl Griffin</p> <p>7/31 Sun. Sch. Paul Butler PWF* G. Pittman/N. Frazier</p> <p>*Post-Worship Fellowship</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Contact Us: 757-397-3622 www.fpcports.org pastor@fpcports.org</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Find us on: facebook.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.facebook.com/ FPCPorts</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>
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