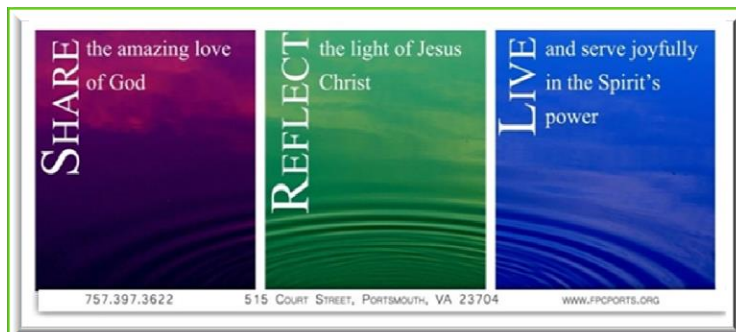




First Presbyterian Church
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2016



Coming Events

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

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

Sunday, August 28
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, September 4
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, September 11
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



****Please rise in body and spirit.***

Made One by Christ

Welcome

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Prayer" Dubois

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #299**

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

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 call us
Your beloved people, but we do not follow
Your ways. You planted us as Your own vine,
but we fail to bear good fruit. Forgive us, God
of grace. Remove the burden of our sin so
that we may run the race that You have set
before us, 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

Today we receive gifts for local mission and outreach.

Choral Musical Offering "Prayer of St. Francis"

***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 #314 "Christ, Be Our Light"**

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson Isaiah 5:1-7 page 589

Gospel Lesson Luke 12:49-56 page 906

Sermon "Sacred Conflict" The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

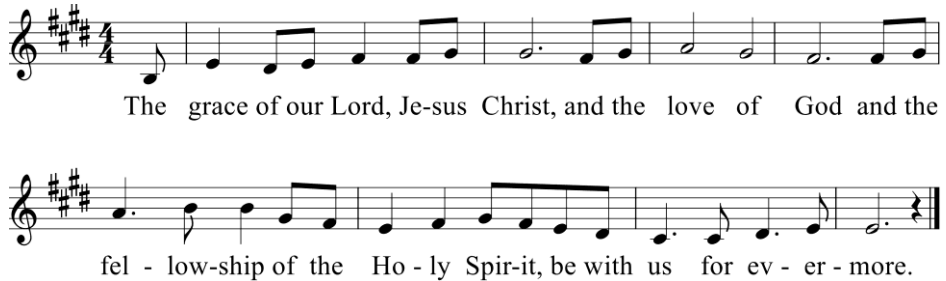
Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #361 "O Christ, the Great Foundation"

Charge

A Blessing in Music "Cloister of Bells" arr. Troutman

* 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.

Prayer of St. Francis

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is injury, Thy pardon, Lord.
Where there is doubt, let there be faith.*

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is despair, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let there be light.
Where there is sadness, let there be joy.*

*O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much
Seek to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love.*

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it's in dying
That we are born to eternal life.*

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace,
An instrument of thy peace.
Amen.*



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.

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.

Because of 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

The Scriptures are read from the pulpit Bible. The pew Bibles are a slightly different translation. To follow the exact text, use your smart phone/tablet, go to biblegateway.com and select the NRSV version.

Prayer List

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

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
Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries
Ushers: David Culpepper, Dan Swanson
Counters: David Culpepper, Norma Halterman

August Offerings

8/7	\$ 2,857.00	8/21	
8/14		8/28	
		MTD	\$ 2,857.00

August Attendance

8/7	Worship	30	Sunday school	11
8/14	Worship		Sunday school	
8/21	Worship		Sunday school	
8/28	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
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Birthdays

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?

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PWF* A. Butler & B. Smith
PLBC Steve & Nancy Frazier
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Sun. Sch.
PWF*
PLBC Mike & Edna Broadhurst
8/21
Sun. Sch.
PWF*
PLBC
8/28
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