



First Presbyterian Church
Twenty-fifth Sunday
after Pentecost
November 6, 2016

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| <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> |
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Coming Events

Sunday, November 6
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including
the Lord's supper

Wednesday, November 9
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Sunday, November 13
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, "When Life
Falls Apart"

Wednesday, November 16
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Sunday, November 20
Christ the King
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, "Not Much
to Look At"

Monday, November 21
7:00 Session meeting

Wednesday, November 23
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Sunday, November 27
First Sunday of Advent
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, "Do You
See What I See?"

**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 "Elevation" Dubois

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #304**

"O Sing a New Song to the Lord"

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
are quickly shaken in our faith and
deceived by false prophets. We put
our hope in this life only and deny
Your gift of resurrection. Forgive us,
God of grace. Give us true hope and
real comfort. Strengthen us in word
and deed to proclaim the new life You
offer, 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 once)

We are singing, singing; we are singing, Oh, we are singing for the Lord is our Light. (Repeat once)

Repeat the above substituting the word praying for singing.

Sharing God's Blessings and Compassion

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Musical Offering "Communion Meditation"

Reginald Heber, Edward H. Wetherill

***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

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 pages 1032-1033

Gospel Lesson Luke 20:27-28 page 914

Sermon "A Leper's Confession"

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

*** Hymn #528 "Come, Let Us Eat"**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Great 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.
It is right to give God 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

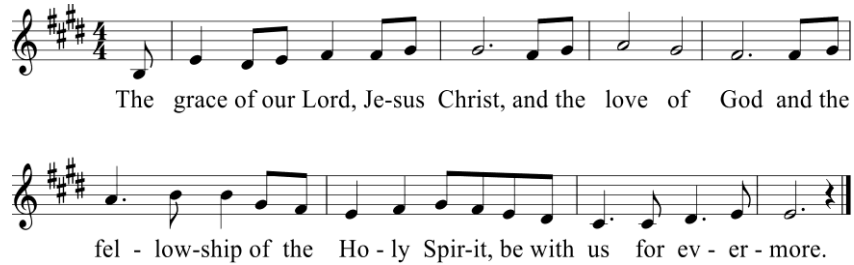
Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

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

Charge


A Blessing in Music "Elevation" Martin

* 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.

Communion Meditation



*Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By Whom the words of life were spoken,
And in Whose death our sins are dead:
Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be the feast to us the token
That by Thy grace our souls are fed.*

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 Worship Committee announces a Sanctuary Clean-up Day on Saturday, November 19, from 9:30am – 12:30pm. Pizza and salad will be served for lunch.

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

Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son), Karen Diggs,
Jackie and Tyler Forsythe, Stephanie Green,
Linda Harrell (friend of Alice Butler),
Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob and Judy Powell),
Christy Mattern, Carl Rhodes, 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
Communion Preparation: Gail Pittman
Communion Worship: Paul Butler, Steve Frazier
Gail Pittman, Oralie Wilhite
Ushers: Mallory Smith, Mike Smith
Counters: David Culpepper, Norma Halterman

October Offerings

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| 10/2 | \$ 5,805.00 | 10/23 | \$ 1,204.00 |
| 10/9 | \$ 0.00 | 10/30 | \$ 949.00 |
| 10/16 | \$ 2,877.00 | MTD | \$10,835.00 |

October Attendance

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| 10/2 | Worship | 36 | Sunday school | 17 |
| 10/9 | Worship | 0 | Sunday school | 0 |
| 10/16 | Worship | 44 | Sunday school | 16 |
| 10/23 | Worship | 33 | Sunday school | 15 |
| 10/30 | Worship | 36 | Sunday school | 18 |

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 - Paul Butler | Fellowship - Oralie Wilhite
Finance - Diane Griffin | Mission/Outreach - Jennifer Patgorski
Property - Michael Broadhurst
Worship - 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

| <u>Birthdays</u> | <u>Ministries</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 11/9 Graham Fitzwater | 11/6 BF Barbara & Sylvia |
| 11/12 John Hackworth | SS Paul Butler |
| 11/15 Tanner Furman | PWF Oralie Wilhite |
| 11/19 Susan Fay | 11/13 BF |
| Corbin Taylor | SS Paul Butler |
| 11/20 Paul Butler | PWF |
| 11/23 Diane Turner | 11/20 BF |
| | SS Paul Butler |
| | PWF |
| | 11/27 BF |
| | SS Paul Butler |
| | PWF |

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