



First Presbyterian Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mothers' Day

May 14, 2017

SHARE the amazing love of God	REFLECT the light of Jesus Christ	LIVE and serve joyfully in the Spirit's power
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Coming Events

Sunday, May 14
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Mothers' Day
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including
receiving gifts for mission
and outreach

Saturday, May 16
11:30 Ladies' circle
meeting at the Olive
Garden at Chesapeake
Square

Wednesday, May 17
7:15 Choir practice

Sunday, May 21
Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
"Commanding Freedom"

Wednesday, May 24
7:15 Choir practice

Sunday, May 28
Seventh Sunday of Easter
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship "Taming
the Anxiety Lion"

Sunday, June 4
The Day of Pentecost
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, including
the Lord's supper

Tuesday, June 6
10:30 Ladies' circle

Sunday, June 11
9:00 Breakfast fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship

**Reminder: During
worship, please enter
through the Court Street
sanctuary doors. All other
doors will be locked.**



***Please rise in body and**

Made One by Christ

Welcome

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Arioso" Bach

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*** Hymn #805
"Come Sing to God"**

Clothed by Christ

Moment of Silence

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Christ Himself bore our sins in His body
on the cross, so that, free from sin, we
might live for righteousness. Trusting in
God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**Living God, we confess that we look for
the living among the dead. We are
foolish and slow to believe the promise
of the prophets. We are frightened and
full of doubt, even when You stand
among us. Forgive us, God of grace.
Open our hearts to receive Your word,
and feed us with the bread of life, the
life that death cannot destroy, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All of us, like sheep, have gone astray,
but now we have returned to the
shepherd and guardian of our souls.
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

Today we receive gifts for mission and outreach.

Choral Musical Offering "Be Thou My Vision" John Rutter

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

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.**

Hearing God's Word of Hope and Power

Time with the Children

*** Hymn #729 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"**

First Reading Acts 7:55-60 page 954

Second Reading Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 pages 479-480

Third Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10 pages 1058-1059

Gospel Reading John 14:1-14 pages 938-939

Sermon "The Pressure of This Day"

The Rev. Michael Chaney

Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #738 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Charge

A Blessing in Music

"Voluntary"

Stanley

* 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.

Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;
Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night;
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my wisdom; be Thou my true word;
Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Be Thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight;
Be Thou my whole armor; be Thou my true might;
Be Thou my soul's shelter; be Thou my strong tower:
O raise Thou me heavenward,
Great power of my power.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.*

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 Presbyterian women have made a gift to EdMarc in honor of Edna Broadhurst, John Hackworth, and Steve Frazier.

The Ladies' circle will meet at the Olive Garden at Chesapeake Square on Tuesday, May 16, at 11 a. m.

*Loving God,
We thank You for the love
of the mothers You have given us,
whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,
whose patience seems to have no end.
May we see Your loving hand
behind them and guiding them.
Amen.*

Prayer List

Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son), Karen Diggs,
Jackie and Tyler Forsythe, Stephanie Green, Lanier Halterman,
Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob and Judy Powell),
Morgan Juxon Lankford (Paul Butler's niece) and family,
Monica Manley, Christy Mattern, Brian Mills,
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

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

Leading in worship today

The Rev. Michael Chaney

Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries

Ushers: David Culpepper, Stuart Shippey or Dan Swanson

Counters: David Culpepper, TBD

May Offerings

5/7 \$ 3,304.00 5/21
5/14 5/28
MTD \$ 3,304.00

May Attendance

5/7 Worship 51 Sunday school 17
5/14 Worship Sunday school
5/21 Worship Sunday school
5/28 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 (bulletin@fpcports.org) no later than 6 pm Tuesday.

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Session

The Rev. Steve Frazier, Moderator of Session
Gail Pittman (17), Clerk of Session
Administration/Property – Michael Broadhurst (17)
Christian Formation – Betty Bartlett (19) | Fellowship – Kay Kidd (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

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<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>Ministries</u>
5/2 Sue Parker	5/7 BF Rudy & Alice Simpson
5/8 David Culpepper	SS Diane Griffin
5/15 Joyce Wright	PWF Gail Pittman
5/18 Elizabeth Turner	5/14 BF Raymond Rodrigues
5/21 Bob Graupmann	SS Diane Griffin
5/26 Diana Taylor	PWF Raymond Rodrigues
5/30 Scott Taylor	5/21 BF Pat Sparks
5/31 Monica Manley	SS Diane Griffin
	PWF Lou Wilhite
	5/28 BF Barbara Bond
	SS Diane Griffin
	PWF Penny Brangan/Agnes McFadden

Missing a birthday?

Please contact:

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