



# First Presbyterian Church

Growing in Faith and Love

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 10, 2019

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

*The music of the Opening Voluntary draws us from the outside world into the presence of God. In preparation for worship, you are invited to use this time for prayerful reflection.*

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Allegro from Sonata in D Major"  
"Menuet from Suite in A Minor"

John Tabler  
Georg Philipp Telemann

Beverly Andrews, violin and John Tabler, organ

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please pass the friendship register down the row for each person to sign.]

### CALL TO WORSHIP

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,

**For great is the glory of the Lord.**

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;

**But the haughty he perceives from far away.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,

**You preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;**

You stretch out your hand,

**And your right hand delivers me.**

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;

Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

**Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

(from Psalm 138)

### +HYMN 14

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

DIX

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Brothers and Sisters, why do we confess our sin?

**Because all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God.**

But why do we do it together?

**Because we are a community, a covenant people.**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

**In the light of your abundant grace**

**We see our own unworthiness.**

**We have turned a deaf ear to your call and**

**Ignored your claim on our lives.**

**We have trusted in our own small plans and**

**Missed out on the big plans you have for this world.**

**Cleanse us, dear Lord, and renew our strength**

**To follow wherever you lead,**

**As we offer these prayers of confession to you...**

### SILENT PRAYER

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**KYRIE**

**MERBECKE**

*Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Sisters and Brothers, hear this good news!  
Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.  
And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,  
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.  
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
The old life is gone and a new life has begun.  
Let us all believe this good news!  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**+GLORIA PATRI (581)**

**GREATOREX**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!  
And also with you!

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH**

*[Three year olds through second graders are invited to come forward, place their offering in the plate and have prayer with the minister before leaving with their teachers for Children's Worship. Preschool ages meet in Room 208; Grades K - 2 meet in Room 311.]*

**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST LESSON**

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 6: 1-8  
Pew Bible PP. 635-636

**SECOND LESSON**

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Luke 5: 1-11  
Pew Bible P. 62

**SERMON**

**"It's the People"**

**Dan Lewis**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+HYMN 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

KELVINGROVE

### +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.

### COMMISSIONING OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2019

Teachers: Ginny Holderness, Dan Lewis, Richard Aylor

#### Confirmands-Mentors

Christianna Averitt - Jennifer Rigby  
Maddie David - Sabrina Davis  
Whitley Davis - Ben David  
Lucy Jones - Susan Lewis  
McNair Jones - Justine Lerch

#### Confirmands-Mentors

Jack Batts - Brian West  
Henry Boney - Mark Hoyt  
Davis Hope - Joel Van Pelt  
Averette Lamm - Chris Daughtry

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"  
*Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light, sun of righteousness, arise! Triumph over the shades of night: day spring from on high, be near, day star, in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee; joyless is the day's return, till Thy mercy's beams I see; till thy inward light impart, Glad my eyes and warm my heart. Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief! Fill me, radiancy divine; scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day. Amen.*

- Charles Wesley

#### +DOXOLOGY (606)

*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.*

OLD HUNDRETH

**+PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

**WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**+HYMN 432**

"How Clear is our Vocation, Lord"

REPTON

**+CHARGE & BLESSING**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

"O God Beyond All Praising"

Michael Bedford

*If you leave before worship's conclusion, please do so silently in consideration of others. Please refrain from photography and videography during the worship service.*



**TODAY'S SERVICE**

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning and hope that you find your experience of worship to be uplifting and meaningful. Any Usher (designated with a name tag) will be glad to answer your questions and help you find your way around. If you need wireless audio receivers, large print bulletins and hymnals, directions to classrooms, restrooms or access ramps, please notify an Usher.

We offer a nursery for infants and toddlers during the worship services (8:30am-12:30pm). Children 3 years old through 2nd grade begin in the main service and then go to "Worship and Wonder", a worship experience designed especially for children which is offered during the 9am and 11am worship services. Children who remain in worship (3rd grade and older) are encouraged to pick up a Kids' Worship Sheet to help follow along in the service. For help finding ways to connect with the ministries and people in this community of faith, or for information about joining the church, please send a message to Membership Coordinator, Allison Cockrill, by emailing, [allison@firstonthird.org](mailto:allison@firstonthird.org).

**The flowers in the Chapel** are given by Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Southerland in honor of active and resting Stephen Ministers, whose presence and prayers provide compassionate care to the suffering.

**The flowers in the Chancel** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Sara Nair James and William Duer James, M.D. and Bess Newton Smith and Percy Robinson Smith, Sr. by Lillian and Percy R. Smith, Jr.

## Weekly Updates

The Session has called a congregational meeting for February 17, 2019, immediately following the 11am worship service, to hear and act on the report of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee.

### Music At First



All are welcome to attend the next Music At First concert on Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Thirty three members of the Wingate University Singers will perform in the Sanctuary, led by director Kenney Potter. Overnight guest hosts are needed to accommodate the remaining 10 student singers after the performance. Please contact the church office, John Tabler or Benjamin Horrell if you can assist.

### Access ACS

Did you know that if you have a church Access ACS account, you can view your contributions account, update your contact information and control what information is shared with others in the membership directory? Access ACS also enables users to upload family photos, a feature that will enable us to produce a pictorial membership directory this year. All members are invited to visit the bottom of the Member page of the church website and register for an Access ACS account. By entering your personal email address and selecting your own password, you can view your personal church membership account. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call Amy or Allison in the church office.

### Youth

All middle school Youth are invited to attend the spring retreat to Camp Kirkwood on March 9-10. Cost: \$55 per person. Registration for the middle school mission trip to Cross in Charlotte, July 28-August 2, is open and available on the church website. Cost: \$395 per person. Additional details will soon be announced for the high school mission trip to Puerto Rico, June 24-July 1. Follow us on Instagram: FirstOnThirdYouth

### Stephen Ministry



**Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people and your God my God. Ruth 1:16b.**

When you need someone to stand with you, ask for a Stephen Minister who will be with you through the journey providing strength and courage in your time of need. Just call one of our pastors, 762-6688 or Janice Clark, 228-8584.

### Bridge Closure

The Cape Fear Memorial Bridge will close several weekends for scheduled repairs over the next few months and this may affect your drive to church. The remaining weekends include: Feb. 8-11, Feb. 22-25, March 8-11, and March 22-25.

### Open Registrations

Heart Healthy Meal and Lecture, February 13  
Middle School Camp Kirkwood Retreat, March 9-10  
Middle School CROSS Mission Trip, July 28 - August 1  
Preschool Enrollment, 2019-2020  
Acolyte Volunteers and Greeting Team Volunteers (Member page of church website)  
Good Shepherd Volunteers, January-June 2019 (Member page of church website)  
Youth Group Dinner Preparers (Member page of church website)

### A Look Ahead

- ◇ February 11  
Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings  
Circle 2, 11am  
Bride's Room  
Circle 4, 10:30am, Carriage House  
Circle 9, 9:30am, Gathering Place
- ◇ February 12  
Preschool Valentine Festival, 5pm, Boney Hall
- ◇ February 13  
Heart Healthy Meal and Lecture, 6pm, Gilmour Hall
- ◇ February 14  
Preschool 4's Valentine Breakfast, 9am, Boney Hall  
Kindergarten Valentine Lunch, 10am, Boney Hall
- ◇ February 17  
Music At First Concert: Wingate University Singers, 5pm, Sanctuary
- ◇ March 3  
Averette Lecture, 10am, Gilmour Hall
- ◇ March 10  
**(One worship service on March 3, 11am, Sanctuary)**  
First Pres 101 Membership Classes, 10am, Bride's Room

## Contemporary Worship Gilmour Hall 9:00 AM

"Dwell"

**WELCOME**

**OPENING PRAYER AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

"Hungry"

"Great Are You Lord"

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**COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**REFLECTION AND OFFERING**

**FIRST LESSON**

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**SECOND LESSON**

Luke 5: 1-11

**SERMON**

"It's the People"

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"The Way"

**BLESSING**

**Leading in Worship:**

Dan Lewis, Pastor	Richard Aylor, Associate Pastor
Hannah Vaughan, Parish Associate	John Tabler, Director of Music
Benjamin Horrell, Asst. Director of Music	Jenn Mueske, Contemporary Worship Leader

**For Urgent Pastoral Needs, Please Call - (910) 338-9109**

*\*Please leave a message and the Pastor will return your call.*

If you have joys or concerns to share, please call the church office (762-6688).