

WORSHIP OF GOD

First Presbyterian Church

Christ the King Sunday

November 20, 2016

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Kenneth Kosche

Partita on "Now Thank We All Our God"

WELCOME & LIFE IN THE CHURCH

(Both members and guests are invited to complete the Friendship Pad and pass it to those seated next to you.)

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

INTROIT

GLENDON

Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

Chancel Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please stand)*

Ellie Spencer

Leader: Who is the king that we worship?

People: We worship Christ, who makes a home among the least and the lost.

Leader: Who is the king that we worship?

People: We worship Christ, who is hungry, is thirsty, is in prison, is a stranger.

Leader: In caring for the least among us, we serve and worship Christ the King of Kings!

* HYMN OF PRAISE 363

DARWALL'S 148TH

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

CALL TO CONFESSION *(Seated)*

Dr. Robert C. Wilkes, Jr.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and remember them no more. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

Loving God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We fail to be governed by justice and love. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves and we have refused to hear the cry of those in need. In your mercy forgive us. Help us to proclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be powerful witnesses to your love as revealed in our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Silent reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 427 *(Sing twice)*

LOE DI ÍSÁ

Jesus knows the inmost heart: nothing can be hidden.

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God cleanses our hearts.

People: God redeems our memories.

Leader: God forgives our sins.

People: God remembers our sins no more.

* GLORIA PATRI

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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.

THE PEACE: *We share signs of care, love and respect with one another.*

Leader: As God has forgiven us.

People: Let us forgive one another and be at peace.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jesus Loves Me (Children come forward during singing.)

(As the children come forward, the congregation is invited to place the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes on the table in front of the Chancel.

Today we dedicate these tangible expressions of God's love for our neighbors even as we send them into the world.)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Ellie Spencer

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Ellie Spencer

Pew Bible, Old Testament, p. 725

* HYMN OF PREPARATION 643

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Now Thank We All Our God

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 1:68-79

Pew Bible, New Testament, p. 58

SERMON

"Living With Hope"

Dr. Robert C. Wilkes, Jr.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From the Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed, blessing the children, healing the sick, binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love, God created the world good and made everyone equally in God's image. God made us male and female, of every race and people to live as one community.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and our neighbors.

With believers of every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

SERVICE OF GIVING

Call to Giving

All we have and all we are is God's. Let us give thanks for the Lord's provision and joyfully give back to the one who has given so much to us.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Anthem

Arr. by R. Vaughan Williams

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

Chancel Choir and Jon Hopkins, Trumpet

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid he did us make;

We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;

Praise, laud and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure;

His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

Congregation stands and sings on cue:

Praise God from whom all blessing flow,

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*The Offertory Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN OF DEDICATION 268 *(Verses 1-3)*

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with Many Crowns

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

DIADEMATA

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time;

Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.

All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;

The praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Kenneth Kosche

Toccata on "Now Thank We all Our God"

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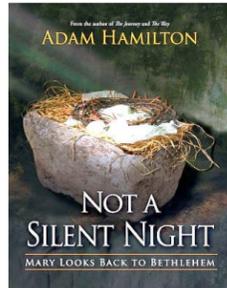
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WELCOME!

We especially welcome those of you who are guests today. We invite you to provide us with your contact information in the Friendship Pad as it is passed along the row. We look forward to learning how we may serve you in your faith journey. If you have particular questions, please speak to Pastor Nick.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Vickey Shaw by Bo Shaw.

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Robert Wilkes, Jr. to our pulpit this morning. A native of Orangeburg, South Carolina, he graduated from Erskine College and Columbia Theological Seminary. Bobby married his college sweetheart, Patricia (Pat) Kennedy of Charlotte, North Carolina. They have three sons and seven grandchildren, all of whom live and work in Myrtle Beach. Bobby served three Presbyterian (USA) Churches – Denmark Presbyterian Church in Denmark, South Carolina for three years, Georgetown Presbyterian Church in Georgetown, South Carolina for ten years, and First Presbyterian Church of Myrtle Beach for 28 years; he became honorably retired on December 31, 2011. He served FPC Sumter as Interim in 2012.



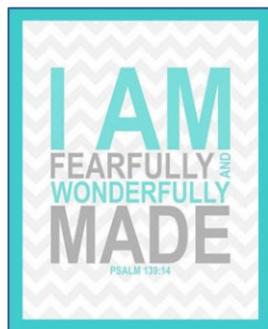
ADVENT STUDY

The study of Adam Hamilton's book, *Not a Silent Night* continues tonight from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the McLaurin Classroom. This book is about the story of Jesus as seen through Mary's eyes. The class will include film clips from the author and will be a meaningful way to begin the Advent season. The class is led by Max Goodson.

ADVENT WORKSHOP

Next Sunday, November 27 ~ 5:00 p.m.

Come make your advent wreath, play games and make crafts. Please contact Robin Thames (call 803-972-3207 or email nibor9902@aol.com) if you have greenery from your yard that you can share. If you have your wreath from last year please bring it. *Supper will be served.*



**IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT!
February 17-19, 2017**

Doubletree Resort
(formerly Springmaid Beach Resort)
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Registration forms are now available on the table outside the church office. Fill one out today!!

Upcoming Events at FPC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

11:40 a.m. Children's Choir Choir Room
5:00 p.m. Youth Bells Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Youth Group..... West Building
6:00 p.m. *Not A Silent Night* Book Study.....McLaurin Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

6:30 p.m. Troop 86.....Scout Hut
6:30 p.m. Pack 86..... West Building

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

MSY Prayer Breakfast will not meet this week.
11:30 a.m. Pastor's Lunch/Visitation Covenant Place

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 ~ Preschool Closed

HSY Prayer Breakfast will not meet this week.
Pastor Nick's Lectionary Lunch will not meet this week.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 ~ Church Office Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25 ~ Church Office Closed

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 a.m. Care and Prayer Session Room
9:30 a.m. Sunday School ~ Classes for All Ages
10:30 a.m. Worship..... Sanctuary
11:40 a.m. Children's Choir Choir Room
5:00 p.m. Advent Workshop Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting Session Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:00 p.m. New Officer Training Fellowship Hall

We ask for your help in keeping this calendar current. Please contact Shirley in the church office (swood@fpcsumter.org or 803-773-3814) to add your meeting dates and times. The weekly deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Tuomey: Marion Young

McLeod: Billy Freeman

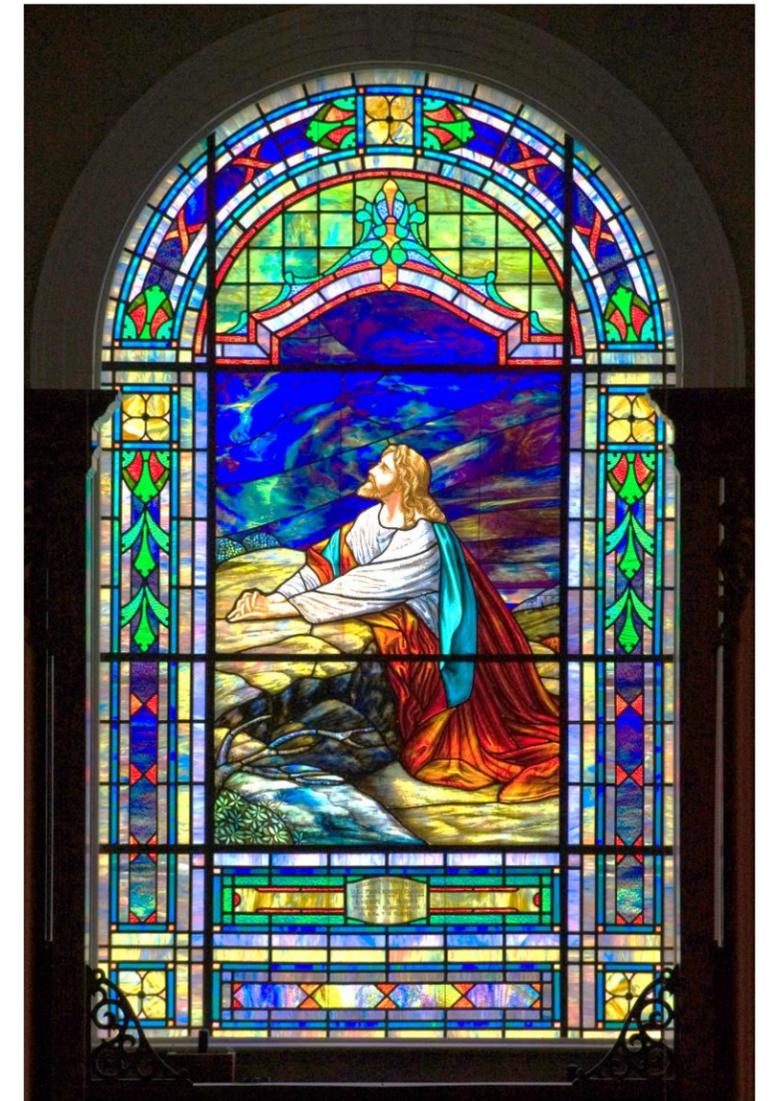
At Home: Charles Shaw, Johnny Jackson, Linda Montague,
Helen Brookes-Futrell, Gordon Rettke

We Care: Please take a gold **Prayer Card** from the pew rack, and write a word of encouragement, congratulations, or a thank you to someone or group. Please include the first and last name of the person you wish to receive the card and your name. You may place your Prayer Card in the offering. On Monday morning, we will send your note of care to that person or group. Prayer Cards bring great joy to those who receive them! So, "let us encourage one another."

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The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to know Christ and make him known by living faithfully, worshiping joyfully and serving gladly.



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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