

WORSHIP OF GOD

First Presbyterian Church

Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost November 13, 2016

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Rhosymedre, setting by Michael Burkhardt
Festive Trumpet Tune by David German

Jon Hopkins, Trumpet

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

I Will Give My Heart to the Lord by Mark Patterson
Do To Others by Choristers Guild

Children's Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please stand)*

Ansley Blanding

Leader: Rejoice children of God, rejoice!

People: We are grateful to be here together, to worship as a family and to be united in a common ministry.

Leader: We gather in worship to celebrate this community.

People: We celebrate the love that we have for one another through the grace and calling of God.

Leader: We come together this day to delight in offering our gifts.

People: We delight in the gifts we give, pledges we make, and the future we are creating.

Leader: We join our hearts, our voices and our spirits today.

People: We are here as one family. Let us worship God!

* HYMN OF PRAISE 749

WE ARE CALLED

Come! Live in the Light

CALL TO CONFESSION *(Seated)*

Reverend Nick Cheek

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. Our God shows steadfast love towards generations and generations. Knowing this, let us seek repentance together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

Giving God, all that we have and all that we are belong to you. You created us in your image with unique and wonderful gifts. However, we have denied your image within us and within our neighbor. We have hoarded your grace, your love and your forgiveness. We care more about feeding our faith than feeding the hungry in our midst. We worry about the future of our own family and yet forget God's children who are sleeping in our city streets. Forgive us. Spirit, move through us. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of our neighbors. Empower us to live a life that seeks justice, loves mercy and walks humbly with you. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen. *(Silent reflection)*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 427 (Sing twice) LOE DI ÍSÁ
Jesus knows the inmost heart: nothing can be hidden.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Reverend Nick Cheek

* 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: The peace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Reverend Nick Cheek

Jesus Loves Me (Children come forward during singing.)

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Glenn Woodrum

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Ansley Blanding

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ansley Blanding

Micah 6:6-8

Pew Bible, Old Testament, p. 866

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:16-21

Pew Bible, New Testament, p. 61

SERMON

"One Family: Outreach"

Reverend Nick Cheek

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

ANTHEM

God Has Called Us

Robert A. Hobby

Chancel Choir and Jon Hopkins, Trumpet

God has called us:

And how can we but raise our voices, echoing God's praise?

God has called us: And let us answer with our lives.

God has changed us:

And how can we but live as servants of the Spirit's gift?

God has changed us: And let us worship with our lives.

God has charged us:

And how can we but ask for wisdom for the Christly task?

God has charged us: And let us labor with our lives.

God has called us:

And how can we but raise our voices, echoing God's praise?

God has called us: and let us answer with our lives.

SERVICE OF COMMITMENT AND GIVING Reverend Nick Cheek

You are invited to bring your commitment card, along with your tithes and offerings, and place them in the baskets on the communion table. If you are unable, our ushers will come to where you are seated or standing and receive your commitment card, your tithes and offerings.

HYMN OF COMMITMENT 727

THE SERVANT SONG

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (The Servant Song)

*The Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN OF DEDICATION 298 (Verses 1-4)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

* BENEDICTION

Reverend Nick Cheek

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 298

ABBOT'S LEIGH

*Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.*

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Michael Burkhardt

You Call Us, Lord to Serve

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W E L C O M E !

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.

* Please stand as you are able.

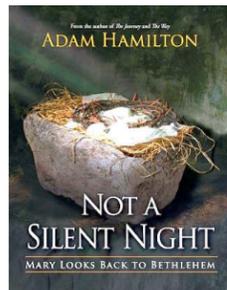
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ONE FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION LUNCHEON
In the Fellowship Hall
Immediately following This Morning's Worship

YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER

November 13, 5:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. We will start at the West Building and end at Natalie and Cary Coker's house. Parents are asked to please pick your child up at 8:00 p.m. at 3045 Lowfalls Lane.



ADVENT STUDY

Beginning this evening, we will begin a 5-week study of Adam Hamilton's book, *Not a Silent Night*. 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 will be from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the McLaurin classroom and will be led by Max Goodson.

WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON

November 16 ~ 12:30 p.m.

Please join us Wednesday, November 16, at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a soup and salad lunch. Cost is \$5/person. Our guest speaker will be Chaplain (Colonel) Peter R. Sniffin Commandant, U.S Army Chaplain Center and School. He will discuss the Chaplain Center and School at Fort Jackson, military chaplains and their worldwide missions. Please make reservations by Monday, November 14, by contacting Ashley Blum (call 803-607-9039 or email doodlebugblum@yahoo.com).

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has collected and delivered more than 135 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 150 countries and territories around the world through Operation Christmas Child. First Presbyterian Church has averaged filling over 200 boxes annually for this mission, headed by the Friendship Sunday School Class. Shoeboxes are available from the table outside the Fellowship Hall. Please pick up your boxes and fill with toys (no war related or military items), non-liquid hygiene items, school items, socks, shirts, soap, toothbrushes, candy (no chocolate please) and prayers. Chocolate, money and liquids are not to be included in any shoeboxes. **Please return your boxes by next Sunday, November 20.** We will dedicate the boxes during the worship service.



Upcoming Events at FPC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

5:00 p.m. Youth Bells Sanctuary
5:45 p.m. Youth Progressive Dinner.....Meet in the West Building

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting McLaurin Room
6:30 p.m. Troop 86..... Scout Hut
6:30 p.m. Pack 86..... West Building

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

7:00 a.m. Middle School Prayer Breakfast Baker's Sweets
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting Parlor
11:30 a.m. Book Discussion Parlor
6:00 p.m. Executive Council..... Parlor

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:00 a.m. High School Prayer Breakfast Chick Fil-A
12:15 p.m. Preschool Staff Meeting Parlor
12:30 p.m. Wednesday Luncheon..... Fellowship Hall
5:45 p.m. Joy Ringers Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Sanctuary

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

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. Youth Bells Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Youth West Building

We ask for your help in keeping this calendar current. This is the calendar to which many individuals refer, including our Pastor. Please be sure to 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

Covenant Place Rehab: Charles Shaw

At Home: Johnny Jackson, Terry Hill, Margaret Hunter, 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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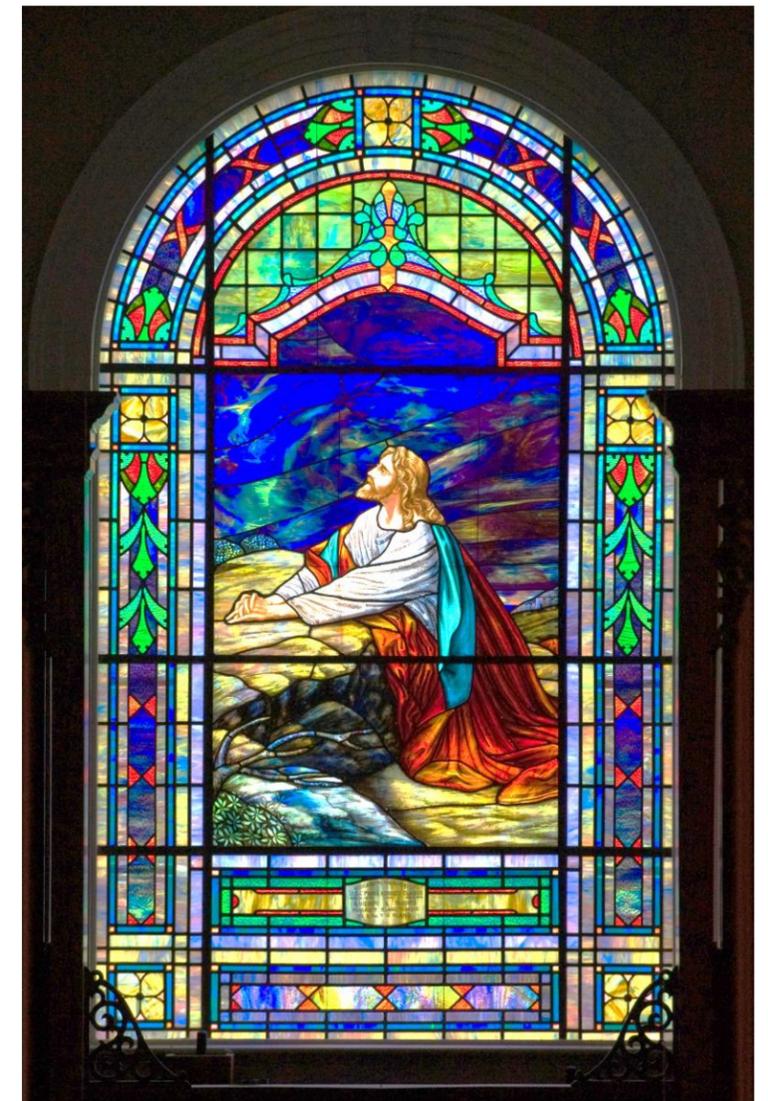
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