



First Presbyterian CHURCH of VIRGINIA BEACH

— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church of Virginia Beach. All are welcome, and we are so pleased to have you with us this morning as we gather to praise God.

GUESTS

We extend a special welcome to you! Whether this is your first visit with us or your 100th visit, it is a gift to have you among us. Please take a moment to sign in using the Welcome Pads in the pews and leave contact information for Pastor Dee Dee to reach out to you. We are excited you are here and look forward to welcoming you into the life of the church through our ministries. You can find more information on our church website: www.firstpresvb.org.

If you ever struggle to hear while in our Sanctuary, we have a few options that might help you. First, you can see one of our ushers for a hearing device that fits over your ear and might assist you. Second, our Sanctuary has a hearing loop installed on the main floor. If you use hearing aids that are equipped with a T-coil, you are able to connect your hearing aids directly into our sound system. Please see an usher for instructions on how to connect your hearing aids into our system.

WORSHIP GUIDE

Items in bold indicate congregational participation. * invites you to stand in body or in spirit. Please silence all mobile devices prior to the start of the service.

September 18, 2022

THE GATHERING

GREETING

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us welcome one another with the peace of Christ.

VOLUNTARY

Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising

setting by Paul Manz

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 47

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises.

People: Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Leader: This day, let us worship our God, who is worthy of our praise.

OPENING PRAYER

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 40

Joy to the World!

ANTIOCH

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that there are days when we struggle to find joy. When life overwhelms us, we are quick to let our joy slip away. Help us, O God, to find our joy in you. Help us to live with joy even in the midst of life's difficulties. May your goodness and grace fill us with jubilation and delight. Amen.

(Silent prayers and confession)

* KYRIE

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

* DECLARATION OF PARDON

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Gloria Patri

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.

THE WORD

WORD FOR CHILDREN: SPIRIT BOX

Following this time, children *ages 4 years - 2nd grade* may return to their seats or join our Wonders of Worship team in the Chapel. Children will rejoin their families in the Sanctuary near the end of the service in time for the offering.

Children 2-3 years old will join caregivers in Room 214 and may be picked up after the service.

*Our Nursery, located on the first floor, is available for our youngest children and infants during the entire worship service.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 98

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory. The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord. Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

ANTHEM (11:00 am)

Shout The Glad Tidings

Hal H. Hopson

Brent Hartigan, tenor

Shout the glad tidings, O sing to the Lord; For He hath done marvelous, marvelous things. Mighty are His works, Mighty His wonderful deeds; His power and love forever are sure. The Lord is King, King of all; The King of all; He rules in might. Sing for joy; His power and love forever are ever sure. Trumpets sound forth; Sound forth His praise, for our victory is won. Sing O Israel sing. The Lord is faithful; Let all give praise. The roar of the sea, all creatures therein, sound forth, sound forth Your joy, Your joy sound forth. God is the Lord, King over all. See His marvelous works; See His wonderful deeds. His power and love forever are sure.

SECOND LESSON OF SCRIPTURE

Romans 5:18-21

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. But law came in, with the result that the trespass multiplied; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, just as sin exercised dominion in death, so grace might also exercise dominion through justification leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Dee Dee Carson

* HYMN 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBRE

THE RESPONSE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967

In Jesus Christ, God is reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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

Offering

Offertory Anthem

A Simple Song (From Mass)

Leonard Bernstein

Sing God a simple song: Lauda laude Make it up,
as you go along Lauda laude Sing, like you like to sing God
loves all simple things, For God, is the simplest of all,
For God, is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song
To praise him, to bless him, to bless the Lord.
I will sing his praises, while I live All of my days.
Blessed is the man who loves the lord Blessed is the man
who praises him Lauda lauda laude And walks in His ways.

I will lift up my eyes
To the hills from whence comes my help. I will lift my
voice to the Lord Singing lauda laude.

For the lord is my shade, Is the shade upon my right
hand, And the sun shall not smite me by day
nor the moon by night. Blessed is the man who loves
the Lord Lauda lauda laude And walks in his ways

Lauda lauda laude Lauda lauda di dadi de-eh-eh
All of my days

* Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all
creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE SENDING

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* VOLUNTARY

New Songs of Celebration Render

Louis Bourgeois

*Congratulations to David and Betsy Dixon on the birth of their son Parks on
September 6, 2022.*

THE FLOWERS in the chancel are given by to the Glory of God by the
FPC Flower Guild.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by the grace and truth of Christ, we nurture one another's faith to do God's work in the world.

The Session of First Presbyterian Church approved the above statement in and affirmed the following ten values to guide the leaders of our church as they prayerfully plan for our congregation's future.

Values that Reach UP

Worship

Preaching

Music

Prayer

Bible Teaching

Values that Reach OUT

Ministries that serve the community

Congregational Care

Financial Stewardship

Early Childhood Christian Education

Family

PASTORS AND STAFF

The Reverend Dee Dee Carson, *Pastor*

Jacqui Horton, *Director of Senior Adult Ministries*

The Reverend Lyndsey McCall-Gilliam, *Minister to Youth and Their Families*

Randy DuVall, *Commissioned Pastor and Director of Missions*

David S. Kunkel, *Music Director*

Kimberly Markham Nickerson, *Assistant Music Director*

Belinda Valet, *Director of Children's Music and Handbells*

Dr. Antoinette Anglin, *Organist*

SESSION

Sallie Bryant, Leslie Cutchins, Becky Davison (Clerk), Hunter Frischkorn, Justin Fulton, Christine Harris, Liz Harris, Paul Hirschbiel, Caroline Nelson (Youth Elder), Shannan Poteran, Don Schultz, Martha Simkins, Jon Thornton, Mark Winters.

TRUSTEES

Sandy Cowden, Gael Daugherty, Laurie Dawson, Dudley Fulton, Ed Hurt, Hunter Sims.



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