

Lord's Day Worship
Narrative Lectionary
February 16, 2025
10:30 AM

Prelude: *O for a Thousand Tongues* Carl G. Glazer; arr. Virginia Halberg
Dr. Gerald Anderson, piano

Welcome.....Rev. Elizabeth Johnson

***Call to Worship**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!
Leader: And let us worship the Lord!

***Hymn of Praise:** *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright* No. 666

Prayer of Confession

God of Glory, we confess that we don't live as You would have us live: we have a hard time forgiving people; we don't work for justice and peace as we should; we listen more to the voice of sin than to the voice of Your Spirit; we fail to witness to others about You and Your love, grace and salvation. Lord of Love, forgive us for these and all of our sins. By your Spirit, inspire us and empower us to live as Your faithful disciples and bold and loving witnesses (Time for Silent Confession).

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Response:** *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified* No. 468 (stanza 1)

***Passing the Peace**

Scripture: Luke 5:1-11

Sermon: *Fishing with Jesus*.....Rev. Dr. Will Robinson

Anthem: *Lord, Here Am I*..... John Ness Beck

Sanctuary Choir

Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey. Only direct me, and I'll find Thy way. Teach me the mission appointed for me, what is my labor, and where it shall be. Master, Thou callest, and this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

Willing, my Savior, to take up th cross. Willing to suffer reproaches and loss. Willing to follow, if Thou will but lead. Only support me with grace in my need. Master, Thou callest, and this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

Living or dying, I still would be Thine. Yet I am mortal while Thou art divine. Pardon whenever I turn from the right. Pity and bring me again to the light. Master, Thou callest, and this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

***Affirmation of Faith** (adapted from *Our World Belongs to God*)

We believe that in our world Christ gathers a new community. He builds His church, His Spirit guides and grace abounds. The Spirit leads the church into worldwide mission with the Good News of God's love, grace and salvation. The Spirit inspires and empowers the church, going with it. We believe that—as the church—we are called to make disciples of all nations, to feed the hungry, to proclaim forgiveness of sins and new life in Christ's name and to declare that our world belongs to God. Amen.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Moment for Mission: Bahati Scholarship Program

Offering

Offertory: *Claire de Lune*

with *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*arr. Linda McKechnie

***Response:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*..... No. 606

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn of Discipleship:** *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*..... No. 744

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude:** *Postlude on "HYMN TO JOY"* Gordon Young

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

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WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (FPC)!

We're glad you're here. We don't look or act alike. God knows we don't think alike. We come with questions, burdens and joys. But every Sunday we worship as one—in person and online. We pray you'll experience God's presence and fuel your faith through today's service.

In-person worshippers: Complete the maroon fellowship register at the end of your pew and wear your name tag if you're a member or friend so we can greet one another by name. (If you need a new name tag, just contact the church.) After worship, enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the Gathering Space.

Online worshippers: Use the QR code you'll see on the screen at the beginning of worship or click on the blue "Connect" button on our website's homepage and complete the brief pop-up form so we can connect with you.

"LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME"

Children are welcome to sit with their parents/guardians in worship or to use the Family Worship Center (in James Chapel under the south balcony in the Sanctuary) which helps engage children in worship. **We offer a Sunday class at 10:30 AM for children ages 3-7. Please drop off and pick up children in the Children's Library (on the first floor across from the nursery). Children age 8 and older are welcome to sit with their parents/ guardians in worship or to join staff in the Family Worship Center. A nursery is available for children through age 3.**

THESE MAY HELP

Large-print bulletins are available; just ask an usher. Hearing devices are available as well. FPC also has a smartphone option that may work with your hearing aid. To use it, go to the App store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android) and download WaveCAST Receiver by Williams Sound. Then log into the FPC Member wifi network (password firstpres [case sensitive]); open WaveCAST; click on FPC Sanctuary; adjust the volume and enjoy the service. Need help? Just ask an usher!

ABOUT WORSHIP

Worship the Lord with us next Sunday at our 9 AM CrossRoads contemporary service in Fellowship Hall or at this 10:30 AM traditional service here in the Sanctuary. Or worship online by livestream or through a recording (available after 2 PM Sunday) of those services via our website's homepage or on our YouTube channel.

Rev. Dr. Bettina Kilburn, our Associate Pastor of Congregational Care, is part-time, so she'll be in worship only about once a month and preach every other month. This will allow her to devote most of her time and energy to leading FPC's efforts to provide pastoral care and lay care to the congregation in this interim period.

From September 2024-June 2025, our sermons and worship are based on Scripture from the Narrative Lectionary (NL). The NL is a set of readings that walk us through high points of the Bible story from creation to Pentecost. You can watch the services and sermons in this series on our YouTube channel. If you'd like to see the full NL calendar we're using, go to our website. If you'd like to watch brief, engaging video overviews of the books of the Bible that are part of the NL, we recommend thebibleproject.com.

Regarding the Lord's Prayer: as with the use of "sins," the use of "Your/s" is contemporary language that opens this prayer more to worshipers—in person and online—who aren't familiar with it. You may of course still use "Thy/Thine."

Contact the church to give flowers for Sunday worship in memory or in honor of a loved one or in celebration of a particular event.

Leading in worship: Dr. Gerald Anderson, piano; Rev. Elizabeth Johnson, Associate Pastor of Congregational Evangelism and Engagement; Jane Jude, AV/Tech Coordinator; Chad Martin, Director of Music and Organist; Rev. Dr. Will Robinson, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

See something, say something! If you have concerns in the church or on our campus, please notify an usher, pastor or other staff.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join FPC at our next new member class **TODAY AT 11:45 AM IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY!**

IN THE LIFE OF FPC

PRAYERFUL STUDY

"Christian Beliefs: Asking Questions to Grow our Faith," Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 PM, through February 26 in the library and via Zoom. Join us as Pastor Will leads us through foundational Christian beliefs with time during each class to address *your* faith questions. Register at fpchhi.org!

Paul's Letter to the Romans, Mondays, 10-11 AM, through March 10 in the library and via Zoom. Dr. Jim Wagner teaches this class, which is primarily a continuation of his fall class on the book of Acts but is a perfect time for new members to join. Register at fpchhi.org!

To learn *more* about faith formation for all ages and all stages of life and faith, go to fpchhi.org or contact the church.

SACRIFICIAL SERVICE

"Feed My Sheep" is the first Sunday of the month: bring non-perishable items to the Gathering Space for local food pantries, including our own PIN (People In Need). PIN especially needs paper products, cans of tuna, toothpaste and white rice. Thank you!

Help us change lives and make disciples by giving via 1) a check made payable to FPC (540 William Hilton Parkway, HHI, SC 29928), 2) the Give button at fpchhi.org, 3) QR code (on the screen and the card in the pew racks) or 4) texting "FPCHHI" to 779777.

CARING CONNECTIONS

Visit the following ministry tables **TODAY** in the Gathering Space!

- FPC-sponsored Boy Scout Troup 245: Sign up for their annual spaghetti dinner on February 25. Each meal is \$10, and you may dine in or take out!
- Health Ministry: Learn more about their Care Notes ministry.
- Bahati Scholarship Program: Learn more about this important FPC ministry.

Submit prayer requests for our staff prayers and our confidential prayer chain via:

- Prayer boxes in Fellowship Hall and the narthex (the area outside the Sanctuary)
- Email info@fpchhi.org or a pastor (ejohnson@fpchhi.org, bkilburn@fpchhi.org, wrobinson@fpchhi.org)
- QR code (on the card in the pew racks)

If you or a family member will be in the hospital, had a recent hospitalization or would like pastoral care or to receive communion, contact Pastor Bettina Kilburn (404-771-7608) or the church (843-681-3696, ext. 245).

Stephen Ministry is a vital ministry of compassion and care to others. To learn how a Stephen Minister might help you or someone you love, contact Gloria LaCoe (glacoe624@gmail.com).



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THIS WEEK AT FPC!

To learn more, go to fpcbhi.org or contact the church.

Monday, February 17

- 9:00 AM Memory Matters' MoCA (Room 213)
- 10:00 AM Letter to the Romans class (Library)
- 11:30 AM AARP Safe Driving Program (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:00 PM Soul Food Women's Group (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 18

- 1:30 PM Knitting Ministry (Library)
- 2:00 PM Women Growing in Faith (Room 202/Zoom)

Wednesday, February 19

- 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
- 9:30 AM Journeymen (Room 219)
- 10:00 AM Women's Spiritual Exercise Group (Library/Zoom)
- 11:00 AM Book Sisters Group (Room 219/Zoom)
- 4:00 PM Son-Light Singers rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 4:15 PM Lowcountry Lessons class (Zoom)
- 5:30 PM Basic Christian Beliefs class (Library)

Thursday, February 20

- 9:30 AM Social Witness Book Study (Zoom)
- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
- 2:00 PM Bereavement Support Group (Gathering Space)
- 3:30 PM FPC Kids (Creation Station)
- 4:00 PM Meditation Group (South Room)
- 5:00 PM FPC Kids Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 PM Carillon Bell Choir rehearsal (Bell Choir Room)
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)

Saturday, February 22

- 3:00 PM Patty Ekedahl Memorial Service (Sanctuary) with reception to follow (Gathering Space)

Sunday, February 23 **Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders and Boy Scouts Sunday**

- 8:30 AM Fellowship time (Gathering Space)
- 8:45 AM Nursery opens (Room 109)
- **9:00 AM CrossRoads contemporary worship (Fellowship Hall/livestream)**
- 9:00 AM Sunday School for ages 3-7 (Rooms 112 and 114)
- 9:00 AM Work In Progress class (Library/Zoom)
- 9:00 AM Adult Seekers class (Room 202/Zoom)
- 10:00 AM Fellowship time (Gathering Space)
- **10:30 AM Traditional worship (Sanctuary/livestream)**
- 10:30 AM Sunday School for ages 3-7 (Rooms 112 and 114)
- 11:00 AM Fellowship time (Gathering Space)
- 11:30 AM JOY class (Zoom)
- **11:45 AM New Member Class (Library)**
- **5:00 PM Jazz Vespers (Courtyard)**
- 5:00 PM Youth Group (Youth Space)