

# The Lord’s Day

April 2, 2017  
Eleven O'clock

*“And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD his God.” (Micah 5:4)*

*Please switch all communications devices to silent mode. Thank you.*

## Welcome and Announcements

**+Prelude**..... “Jesus, Lover of my Soul” ..... Gerald Near

**Call to Worship**..... Psalm 100

**Choral Introit** ..... “Sing to the Lord” .....Samuel Porter  
*Sanctuary Choir*

**\*Ascription of Praise** (Hymn 100, verses 1 and 4)..... NICAEA

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## \*Prayer of Adoration

**\*Hymn 460**..... “Amazing Grace!” ..... AMAZING GRACE

**Private Confession of Sin**.....Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

**Assurance of Pardon**..... Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**\*Hymn**..... Bancroft/Cook  
“Before The Throne of God Above”

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea;  
a great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands,  
my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands  
no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair  
and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look, and see him there  
who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God the Just is satisfied  
to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb,  
my perfect, spotless righteousness;  
the great unchangeable "I AM,"  
the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die,  
my soul is purchased by his blood;  
my life is hid with Christ on high,  
with Christ my Savior and my God,  
with Christ my Savior and my God.

## Prayer of Intercession 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.

*Please complete the black Fellowship Folder and pass down the pew.*

## Presentation of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings

**Offertory** ..... Wilbur Held  
“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

**(Four and Five-year olds dismissed to Children’s Church)**

**+Doxology** (Hymn 731) .....OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

**Choral Anthem** ..... Craig Courtney  
“Nothing But the Blood of Jesus”  
*Sanctuary Choir*  
*Alejandro Junco, violin*

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my pardon this I see: nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my cleansing this my plea: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Jesus, O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus, Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow. No other fount; nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow. No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus. Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

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**Scripture Reading** ..... Matthew 5:8 ..... Pew Bible p. 810

**Sermon**..... Dr. Michael McKelvey  
“The Pure in Heart”

**\*Hymn 644** ..... ST. LEONARDS  
“May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

**\*Benediction**..... Dr. McKelvey

## \*Choral Response

**\*Postlude** ..... “Trumpet Tune in G” ..... David Lasky

\*Please stand if you are able.  
+The ushers may seat worshippers.

Presiding Minister - Rev. Ben Griffith  
Assisting Elder - Ruling Elder Hugh Bolton

Missionary of the Week - Scott & Lynea McDowell with Mission to North America in Victoria, British Columbia

Flowers - The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Corinne Gillentine, given by Rodney Gillentine, Chad, Leslee, Bennett and Celia Smith.

# COMMUNITY LIFE

**Evening Worship Service**, tonight, 6 p.m., with Rev. Hunter Brewer preaching.

**Inquirer's Class**, Saturday morning, April 8, for those interested in church membership here at FPC. Please contact Ben Griffith (601-606-2587) if you would like to take part.

**Maundy Thursday Communion Service**, Thursday, April 13, 7 p.m.

- Easter Sunday Services, April 16:**
- 7am: Sunrise Service at Canebrake Country Club, 18th Green
  - 10am: Morning worship service at FPC
  - No Sunday school or evening services

**Save the dates:** Rally night is May 7, 6 p.m. VBS is scheduled for June 5-9.

**Juarez Medical & Construction Trip**, June 25-July 1.

**Twin Lakes Camp**, June 26-July 2. For more information go to [www.twinklakescamp.org](http://www.twinklakescamp.org). For information about camp scholarship, contact Kathy Young.

- Meetings**
- **Women’s Ministry Council Mtg.**, Tuesday, April 4, 9:30 a.m., F. Hall.
  - **Senior Adult Dominoes**, Tuesday, April 4, 10 a.m., F. Hall.
  - **Women’s Weekly Bible Study**, Thursday, April 6, 9:15 a.m., F. Hall.

- Sanctuary Choir Schedule**
- **Rehearsal**, today, 8:45 a.m., Choir Room.

- Wednesday Night Supper & Activities**
- **Supper** at 5:30 p.m. (*Menu: Caribbean Jerk Chicken, coco rice with black beans, cole slaw, green salad, Ms. Kim’s surprise dessert.*)
  - **Children’s Choir & Activities** at 6:15 p.m.
  - **Adult Bible Studies** at 6:30 p.m.

If you would like a copy of today’s service, visit our website, [www.fpcpca.net/sermons](http://www.fpcpca.net/sermons). There you will find the entire service in video format as well as the sermon available for download. If you have questions, please call the church office (601-268-0303).

## First Presbyterian Church Directory

### Ministry Staff

Rev. C. Knox Baird. .... Minister of Missions/Outreach  
Rev. Ben Griffith ..... Minister of Students  
Dr. David H. Jussely..... Minister of Senior Adults/Visitation  
Mrs. Kathy C. Young ..... Director of Children’s Ministry

### Music Ministry Staff

Dr. Larry D. Smith ..... Choir Director  
Dr. Samuel Porter ..... Organist  
Mrs. Loleeta Rhett ..... Arts and Discipleship Coordinator, Accompanist  
Mrs. Kerrin Hightower ..... Children’s Choir Director

### Support Staff

Mrs. Tracy Ross ..... Office Manager  
Mr. Rodney Gillentine..... Properties Supervisor  
Mr. Don Hill ..... Custodian  
Mrs. Pat Hill ..... Custodian

## 2017 SESSIONAL COMMITTEES

**Worship Committee:** *Oversees the worship activities of the congregation, especially Sunday services and special worship meetings, and use of the sanctuary.*  
Members are Dan Didier (Session Chairman), Andrew Harwell (Daconate representative); *Class of 2017* - Grant Bennett, Mary Ann Scruggs, Louis Young; *Class of 2018* - Claudia Powell, J. P. Culpepper, Marion Curry; *Class of 2019* - Dan Didier, Grace Jennings; *Class of 2020* - Wes Curry

**Christian Education Executive Committee:** *Coordinates the regular Christian Education activities of the church for all ages from nursery to adult.*  
Members are Robert Jackson, Jr. (Session Chairman), Brian Smith (Daconate representative); Caroline Grubbs (WIC representative); *Class of 2017* - Matthew Wiggins, Heather Starns; *Class of 2018* - Rob Jackson Jr.. Allison Smith, Bill Stanway ; *Class of 2019* - Kristin Parsons, Whitney McMullan, Marge Crowe; *Class of 2020* - Louis Benton

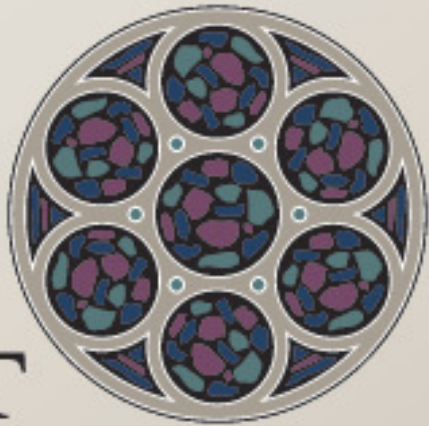
**Congregational Committee:** *Encourages, plans, and oversees evangelism, outreach, assimilation, and shepherding for the congregation.*  
Members are Ken Gunnufsen (Session Chairman), Trey Sutton (Daconate representative); *Class of 2017* - Hugh Bolton; *Class of 2018* - Trey Sutton, Brian & Bridgett Aehnlich; *Class of 2019* - Ken Gunnufsen, Schaeffer Smith, Wyche McMullan; *Class of 2020* - John Kosko, Brad Farris, Amanda Farris

**Missions & Benevolence Committee:** *Coordinates and encourages involvement with and support of local, national, and international missions and benevolences.*  
Members are Shea McNease (Session Chairman), Mark Kolvites (Daconate representative); *Class of 2017* - Keith Easterling, Molly Blass, Lynn French; *Class of 2018* - Tim Crowe, Charles Wilson, Terri Wilson, Kim Palermo, Matthew Boyd; *Class of 2019* - Shea McNease, Mary Ann Easterling, India Smith, Haley Shook, Nate Thornton; *Class of 2020* - Randy Henderson

### Thanks to those serving today:

<b>Duty Deacons for April:</b>	<b>Nursery Volunteers for Today:</b>
Keith Reeves, Adam Pennebaker,	Krystina Beiring, Heather Starns,
Andrew Harwell, Eric Jordan, Gene Smith,	Jenny Jackson
Schaeffer Smith, Tony Claytor, Trey Sutton	

<b>Ushers for April:</b> Warren Flynt, Eric Leatherwood, Sam Cole, Morris Ames, Bobby Dews, Tommy Dews, Brian Aehnlich, Barnes Benton	<b>Nursery Volunteers for April 9:</b> Christine Bellew, Bethany McNease, Erica McHard
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