



First Presbyterian Church

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRELUDE

Adagio

Frank Bridge

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19 and Psalm 24)

John Weicher

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God.

People: **The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.**

Leader: The plants and trees show God's presence.

People: **Let us join with creation in praising God.**

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,

People: **the world and those who live in it.**

Leader: God has founded it on the seas,

People: **and established in on the rivers.**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

*CONFESSION OF SIN *(remain standing)*

John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil.

You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You

call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight

pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and

strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

Silent Confession

Response

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

Marilyn Biery

Kate Busa, Soprano

Come. Come to me, O weary Traveler: come to me with your distress:

Come to me, you heavy burdened: come to me and find your rest.

Come. Rest in me, O weary traveler, rest in me and do not fear.

Rest in me, my heart is gentle: rest and cast away your care. Come to me.

Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Carl Rist

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

** Those who are able, please stand.*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 11: 29-36

(Pew Bible, NT Page 73)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God****HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON**

2 Kings 6: 8-23

(Pew Bible, OT page 337)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****SERMON***"Being Different"*

Jennifer Copeland

*(A moment for meditation.)****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH***An Hispanic Creed*

Marilyn Hedgpeth

**We believe in the Church universal because it is a sign of God's reign,
 whose faithfulness is shown in its many hues
 where all the colors paint a single landscape,
 where all tongues sing the same praise.**

**We believe in the reign of God – the day of the Great Fiesta
 when all the colors of creation will form a harmonious rainbow,
 when all people will join in joyful banquet,
 when all tongues of the universe will sing the same song.**

**And because we believe, we commit ourselves:
 to believe for those who do not believe,
 to love for those who do not love,
 to dream for those who do not dream,
 until the day when hope becomes a reality.**

HYMN NO. 756O God of Every Nation**Llangloffan*

(Children through first grade are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during "The Peace" and sit on the floor for "A Time with the Children." Their parents are invited to join them on the front pew.)

***THE PEACE**

Cherrie Henry

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.****A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Cherrie Henry

(Following "A Time with the Children," children may go with their parents to the pews or return to childcare.)

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Sam Miglarese

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sam Miglarese

Leader: If God is for us, who can be against us?

People: **Nothing can separate us from God's love.**

(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

**... 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.**

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to the Offering

Sam Miglarese

Offertory Solo

Brother James' Air
Kate Busa-Soprano

James Leith Macbeth Bain

*The Lord's my shepherd I'll not want. He makes me down to lie in pastures green;
He leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, He leadeth me the quiet waters by.*

*My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake: within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; For thou art with me,
and thy rod and staff me comfort still, for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.*

*Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house
for evermore my dwelling place shall be, and in God's house my dwelling place shall be.*

*(You are invited to come forward with your **Hunger for Change Offering** following the offertory solo.)*

*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia; Alleluia;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

All: **Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family.
Give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to
all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 372

O for a World

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*BENEDICTION

Jennifer Copeland

*POSTLUDE

Chorale Postlude

Healey Willan

FPC Hosting Durham NAACP later today . . .

FPC is hosting the regular monthly business meeting of the Durham Branch NAACP later today at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The Durham branch NAACP and its meetings are open to anyone who wishes to support the organization. As you exit your pew today, please kindly recycle your bulletin and pick up any inserts, children's drawings, personal trash, etc. and take these with you. Returning hymnals and Bibles to the pew racks is also very helpful. Thank you for leaving the sanctuary presentable for our guests.

Open House Invitation

Housing for New Hope invites the FPC congregation to a Community Open House of one of its newly renovated workforce properties, Holloway Place (formerly Dove House), today until 5:00 p.m. The property is located at 1406 Holloway Street and will be home to seven single women. FPC helped furnish one of the rooms.



First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the **Ritual of Friendship pad**, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On July 21, we welcomed 30 visitors to worship.

We welcome to the pulpit today the Rev. Jennifer Copeland. An ordained United Methodist pastor, Rev. Copeland currently serves as Executive Director of the North Carolina Council of Churches. She holds a BA, an MDiv, a Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies, and a PhD, all from Duke University. Her professional background includes both parish and campus ministry.

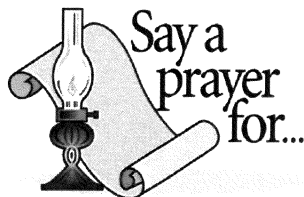
Special thanks to Gordon Campbell (organist) and Kate Busa (soloist) for sharing their musical gifts with us during worship today. *Kathy Parkins* is on vacation today and the **Chancel Choir** is on summer break.

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God by *Christy and Jim Gudaitis* in honor of Christy's parents, *Mary and Ray Myers*.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "A Time with Children," children can remain in worship with their parents/guardians or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues for all of worship in the nursery. There is a *changing table* in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of *today's worship texts* were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship* (2018) and *Daily Prayer*.



Emily Wilkins (Puerto Rico)

Don Hasson, friend of Walt Barron's parents from Knoxville TN, awaiting a double lung transplant at Duke

Home:

Judy Arrowood

Doug Butler

Harold Dunlap

Margaret Mubanga

Joseph Ngumi

Phyllis Supple

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: *Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett*

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Bob Rankin*

Durham Regent: *John Kerr, Ann Prospero*

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: *Helen Garrison*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

Family and Friends of the Congregation:

Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood

Rebecca Aysque, friend of Christy Gudaitis

Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Ralph Edwards, grandfather of Amy Wilson

Dennis Hill, friend of FPC

Doug Neece, brother of Vernon Neece

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey

The Hunger for Change Offering

The funds received from our Hunger for Change Offering go to the New Hope Presbytery for the Presbyterian Hunger Relief Program and are divided as follows:

- 50% - International Hunger Relief Programs
- 40% - Local Hunger Relief Programs
- 10% - Administration.

These funds are dispersed through local grants to hunger relief programs based on a grant application process. Urban Ministries of Durham, Presbyterian Urban Ministries and Iglesia Emanuel have been frequent recipients. If your family committed to saving a **penny**/day each month, you'd be donating about \$0.30 per month or \$3.65 for the entire year. That's not much in the face of the rising need. Save a **nickel**/day, and you can contribute \$1.50 per month. A **dime**/day will generate \$3.00 and a **quarter**/a day will generate \$7.50 per month. The fourth Sunday of each month is designated to receive the Hunger for Change Offering. Please consider supporting this hunger relief effort with a generous offering today.

May we order more Café Justo for you?

(www.justcoffee.org)

Order TODAY . . . Distribution on Sunday, August 11

To place an order, send an email to *John Fricks* (jhfricks@gmail.com).

Tell John how many bags (one-pound bags, freshly roasted, \$10 each), and specify the **process** (CAF or DECAF), the **grind** (WHOLE BEAN or GROUND), and the **roast** (MEDIUM or DARK).

- caf, whole bean, medium roast
 - caf, whole bean, dark roast
 - caf, ground, medium roast
 - caf, ground, dark roast
 - decaf, whole bean, medium roast
 - decaf, whole bean, dark roast,
 - decaf, ground, medium roast
 - decaf, ground, dark roast
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School Supplies Drive

You are invited to purchase most needed school supplies for the *Crayons2Calculators* organization again this year. The list of most needed supplies is provided below. Thank you for your continued support. You may bring your supplies to the church and place them in the *Crayons2Calculators* containers through August 11th.

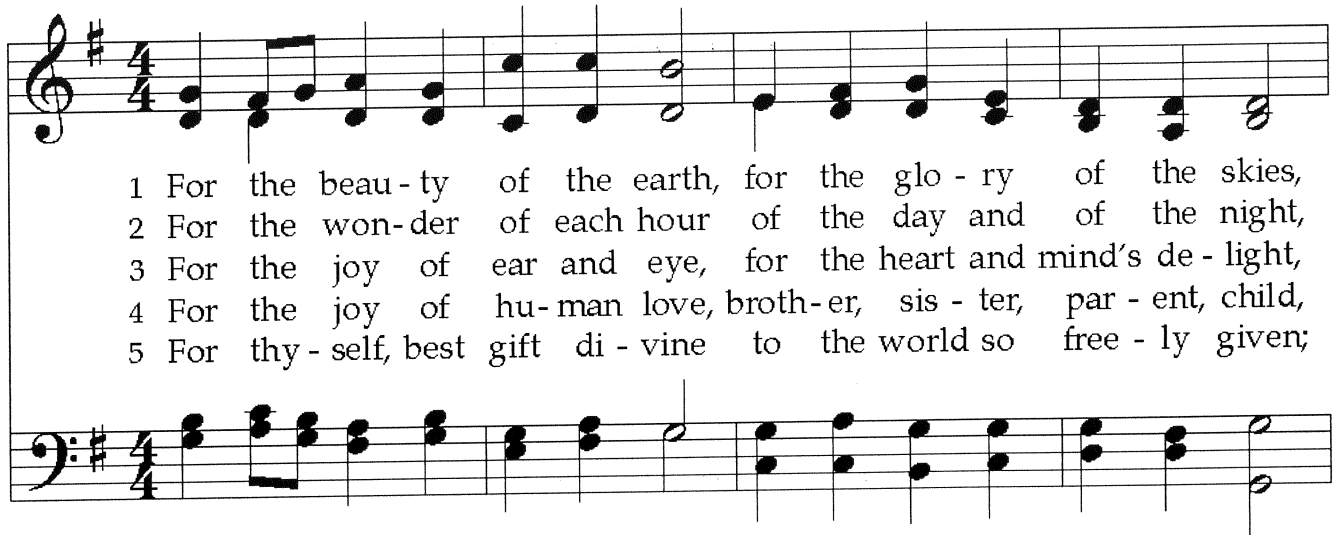
We have received a special request from *Merrick Moore Elementary School* for colored dry erase markers and 3-hole punched zippered pencil pouches. There will be a container labeled "Merrick Moore School supplies" in the foyer for your donations.

Top Needed School Supplies

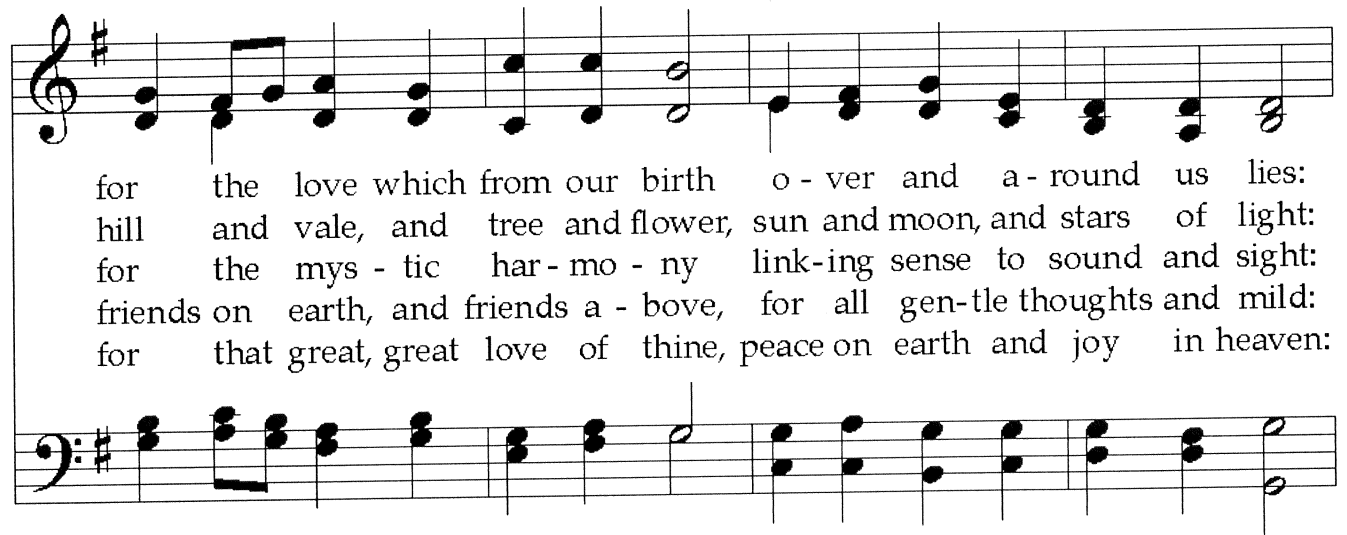
Hand sanitizer Clip Boards Tissues Sharpies Box Sets of Colored Markers
Scissors (student & adult) Colored Pencils No. 2 Pencils Dry Erase markers Mechanical Pencils
Construction Paper Tape (clear, masking, duct)

For the Beauty of the Earth

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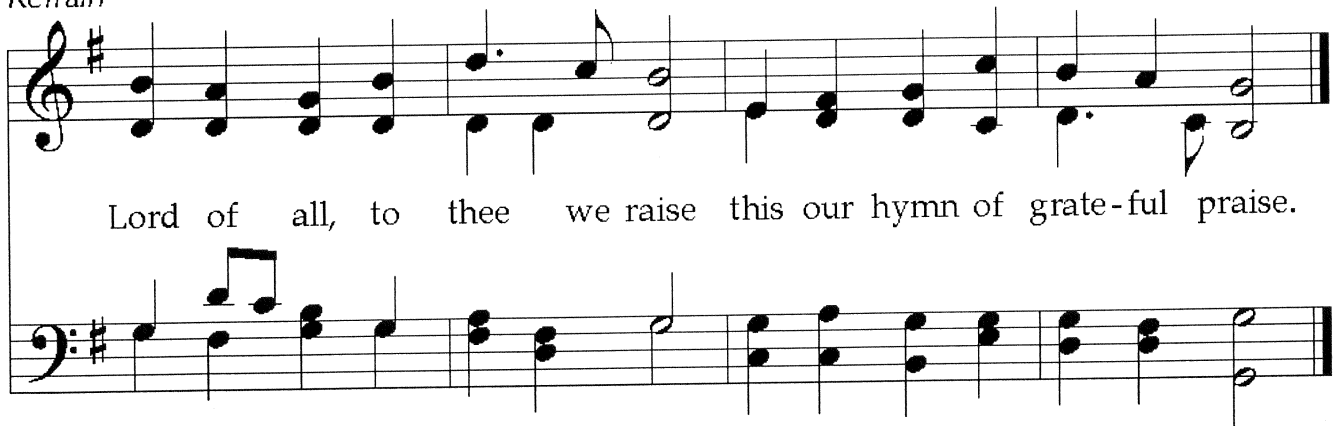


1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
5 For thy-self, best gift di-vine to the world so free-ly given;



for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild:
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

O God of Every Nation

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1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
 3 Lord, strength-en those who la - bor that all may find re - lease
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand.
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

Where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign

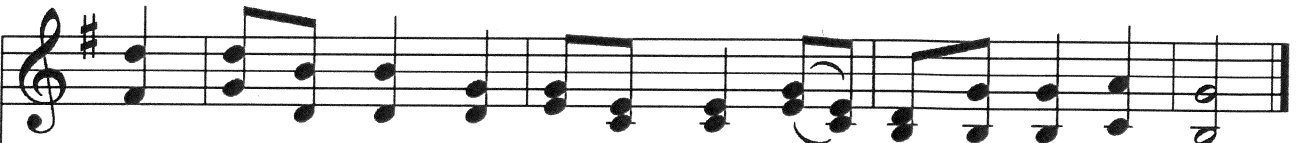
in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

O for a World

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1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,



where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.



The Week at a Glance!

Later Today 4:00 PM NAACP meeting (sanctuary)	Monday, July 29 9:00 AM – 12 Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews	Tuesday, July 30 1:30 PM Plan Worship 2:30 PM FPC Staff 5:00 – 6:00 PM Youth Hangout at Pelican's Snoballs (Roxboro Rd)	Wednesday, July 31
Thursday, August 1 9:00 AM – 12 Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews August 1 -2 Day School Closed (Teachers' Workdays)	Friday, August 2	Saturday, August 3 Trip to International Civil Rights Museum in Greensboro (for those with a confirmed reservation)	Sunday, August 4 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship and Communion (Mary Berry, preaching) After Worship: Racial Equity Task Force (Wilson Parlor) 5:30 – 7:30 PM Great Big Church Family Festival (at Trinity Avenue PC, Durham)

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Carl Rist*

Narthex Greeter: *Chris Williams*

After Worship Greeters: *Cris Rivera* (font/side door); *Dawn Carsey* (rear/narthex)

Ushers: *Julie Whiddon* (head), *Christy Gudaitis* (flowers), *Kathy Conner* (counter), *Mary –Jo Keenan*

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