

# Love in the Heart of Durham:

Whoever  
welcomes **you**,  
welcomes **me**,  
and whoever  
welcomes **me**,  
welcomes the  
**one** who  
sent me.

*- Matthew 10:40*

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reformation and Dedication Sunday

October 27, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minute for Stewardship

Mindy Douglas  
Wayne and Lucie House

PRELUDE

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* (trumpet tune)

John Becker

INTROIT

*To Give Our Thanks*

*Morning Song* (Union Harmony)

*To give our thanks unto the Lord, it is a lovely thing,  
And to your name, O Lord Most High, our praises loudly sing.  
To you, O God, we owe a debt for your gift from above,  
Moved by our gratitude and joy, we share your steadfast love.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 65:1,9,11,13)

John Weicher

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God.

People: **You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water;**

Leader: You provide the people with grain for so you have prepared it.

People: **You crown the year with your bounty;**

Leader: Your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

People: **The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain;  
They shout and sing together for joy.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

*Lobe Den Herren*

\*CONFESSION OF SIN

John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Holy God, giver of all good things, we have failed to live in thanksgiving for earth,  
for our families, for neighbors, and for strangers,  
for the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the soil that grows our food.**

**Forgive us for sins against you, your creation, and one another;  
through disobedience to your will in word and deed.**

**Teach us to seek your holy way and to be happy in your steadfast love,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Response (See Page 6)

*Glory to God*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Carl Rist

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **Lord God, joy is your gift; beauty, abundance, and peace are tokens of your work  
in all creation. Work also in our lives; that by these signs we may see the splendor  
of your love and praise you through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\* Those who are able, please stand.

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 18:9-14

(Pew Bible, NT Page 81)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
 People: **Thanks be to God!**

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Psalm 65

(Pew Bible, OT Page 527)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
 People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON***“Lost in Wonder”*

Mindy Douglas

*(Silent reflection)*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison) (from *The Scots Confession*) Sam Miglarese

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust.**

**Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons.**

**By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by divine inscrutable providence for such end as God’s eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of God’s own glory.**

**\*HYMN No.36***For the Fruit of All Creation**Ar Hyd Y Nos***\*THE PEACE**

Sam Miglarese

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*During the passing of the peace, children through first grade, along with their caregivers and older siblings, are invited to come to the front pews for “A Time with the Children.”*

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Cheryl Henry

*(Following “A Time with Children,” children may return to the playroom or join their parents and siblings as they go back to their seats.)*

**NEW MEMBERS SERVICE OF WELCOME**

Mindy Douglas, Marilyn Hedgpeth

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

Prayer

Song of Welcome (Hymn No. 306, verse 1; all sing)

Dennis

***Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.***

***The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Leader: Be glad and rejoice in the Lord our God,

People: **Who pours down grace in abundance.**

Leader: Let us pray.

(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

Mindy Douglas

Offertory Anthem

*With a Voice of Singing*

Martin Shaw

*With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.*

*Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.*

*O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his name,*

*Make his praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.*

### Dedication of Pledges

*Following the anthem, those who are able may come forward to lay your hand on top of the offering plate at one of the two tables as a symbol of your dedication to Christ and his work through the church. As you come, you may leave your completed 2020 pledge card, and/or your offerings for the day in one of the offering plates. Place your Hunger for Change offering in the basket. Come with hands empty or full. Come with hearts gladdened by God's grace and your own gratitude. Those who wish to remain in their seats may raise their hand and an usher will come to you.*

### \*Doxology

*Nun Danket Alle Gott*

*Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;  
who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sam Miglarese

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

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

All: **We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. As stewards true, may we thy bounties thus receive, and gladly, as blessed, to thee our first-fruits give. Amen.**

### LITANY OF FAREWELL FOR CHERYL HENRY

Mindy Douglas

Leader: We send you forth as a disciple of Jesus Christ and as an ambassador of friendship, spreading the good news of God's love in your new surroundings.  
Go in the spirit of Christ. Be steadfast in your devotion to him.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: Know that your ministry with us has served the cause of Christ in this community.  
Well done, good and faithful servant!

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: May your commitment to Christ grow as you enter another community and another congregation.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

Leader: Remember that even though we will be separated in space, our shared faith in Jesus Christ will keep us connected.

People: **Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.**

All: **Gracious God, a wandering Aramean is our ancestor and you have been with us every step of the way on the long journey of faith. Go now with Cheryl, we pray. Keep her faithful to you, in prayer, worship, service, and in the new relationships she will make. Give her traveling mercies and a new community of faith through which she may continue to serve you. Bless her family in Durham. May our friendship with her continue, and may we ever be one in Christ. Amen.**



*HYMN NO. 275	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i>	<i>Ein Feste Burg</i>
*BENEDICTION		Mindy Douglas
*POSTLUDE	<i>Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty</i>	David Cherwin

*Following worship today, you are invited to a farewell reception for Cheryl Henry in Watts-Hill Hall.* Cherrie has accepted a call to an Associate Pastor position at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Durham.

**Later today . . .**

**Documentary Viewing with Dinner and Discussion  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall**

*Resilience, the Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope*

First Presbyterian Church, along with our friends from Covenant Presbyterian Church, have been invited by Prevent Child Abuse NC to take part in a pilot program aimed at reaching out to faith communities to increase awareness of situations that lead to stress, and also to be part of the solution in building connections that foster resilience in children and youth. Thank you for making a reservation for dinner and for childcare. Event is hosted by the Christian Education Committee.

*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 October 20, we welcomed 27 visitors to worship.

*Welcome* today to the following new members: *Gordon Campbell, Beth Fields, Julio Manceras, and José Gracida and Sam Stevens*. Their profiles will be included in the next church newsletter.

The *flowers* in the sanctuary are given by *Kwesi Aggrey* and *Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey*, dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of our mothers, *Theresa Conde Aggrey* and *Susan S. Hamlin*.

*Nursery care* for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. 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* (1993 and 2018), *Liturgies for the Journey of Life*, and *Feasting on the Word*.

**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:** The Nominating Committee is now calling for nominations of persons to serve on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. You may submit your nominations using the enclosed form. The deadline for nominations is November 3, 2019. See form for instructions.

**CLERGY LOVE OFFERINGS:** The Session has approved the receiving of love offerings for *Cheryl Henry* (accepted called to a new position), and for *Sam Miglarese* and *Marilyn Hedgpeth* who are retiring on December 31, 2019. Ways to give:

- By check, made payable to FPC (indicate on the memo line who the gift is for)
- Online via the church's website (from home page, click on "Donate")
- Text-giving (Instructions can be found on the table in the church foyer.)

## **The Hunger for Change Offering**

First Presbyterian has a long history of involvement in hunger-related mission, most notably Hunger for Change and the CROP Walk. In addition, we coordinate volunteers for the Community Kitchen at Urban Ministries of Durham, and collect food for the members at Iglesia Emanuel and the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC. Our youth sponsor the annual Souper Bowl of Caring to raise money for hunger-related missions. We also encourage giving to the One Great Hour of Sharing Hunger Offering which funds mission activities related to disaster assistance and hunger programs around the world.

The funds received from our Hunger for Change Offering go to the New Hope Presbytery and are dispersed to hunger relief programs based on a grant application process.

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.

### **~ Our Concerns ~**

#### **Added this week:**

*Barbara Jenks*, mother of Marty Ramirez

#### **Home:**

*Chuck Barenchi*

*Barbara Gerwe*

*Margaret Mubanga*

*Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett*

*Joseph Ngumi*

*Cynthia Shimer*

*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*

Strategic Behavioral Health, Garner: *Philip Herndon*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

Treyburn Rehab and Nursing Center: *Paul Cornsweet*

#### **Family and Friends of the Congregation:**

*Fran Alwood*, mother of Jennie Alwood

*Ken Chambliss*, father of Will Chambliss

*Camilla Crampton*, companion of Mal King

*Ralph Edwards*, grandfather of Amy Wilson

*Frances H. Kennedy*, mother of Emily Wilkins

*Jodi Koviach*, friend of Amy Cummings

*Doug Neece*, brother of Vern Neece

*Jeannine Romines*, mother of Karen Romines

*Jim Vacca*, father of Jamie Chambliss

*Harlee Yoder*, granddaughter of Bob and Lina Yoder

*Renee Zimmerman*, friend of Emily Wilkins



- November 17** John Weicher installed as Associate Pastor (3:00 p.m.)
- November 24** Christ the King Sunday (Congregational Lunch following worship)
- November 28-29** Church office closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday
- December 8** Advent Festival (during Sunday School for children and youth; after worship, for everyone with non-profits groups and refreshments available)
- December 15** A Service of Lessons and Carols (11 a.m.)  
Christmas Potluck and Sing-Along (5:30 p.m.)
- December 22** Farewell to Sam Miglarese (11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion followed by a farewell reception)
- December 24** Christmas Eve Service with Children's Pageant (3:00 p.m.)  
Christmas Eve Communion and Candlelight Service (5:00 p.m.)
- December 25-27** Church office closed in observance of the Christmas holiday

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Carl Rist*

Greeter: *Chris Williams*

After Worship Greeters: *Tyler Momsen-Hudson* (rear/narthex), *Luke Everett* (side/font)

Ushers: *Julie Whiddon* (head), *John Mozart*, *El Hess*

## Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
 and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
 and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
 As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.



# 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly  
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

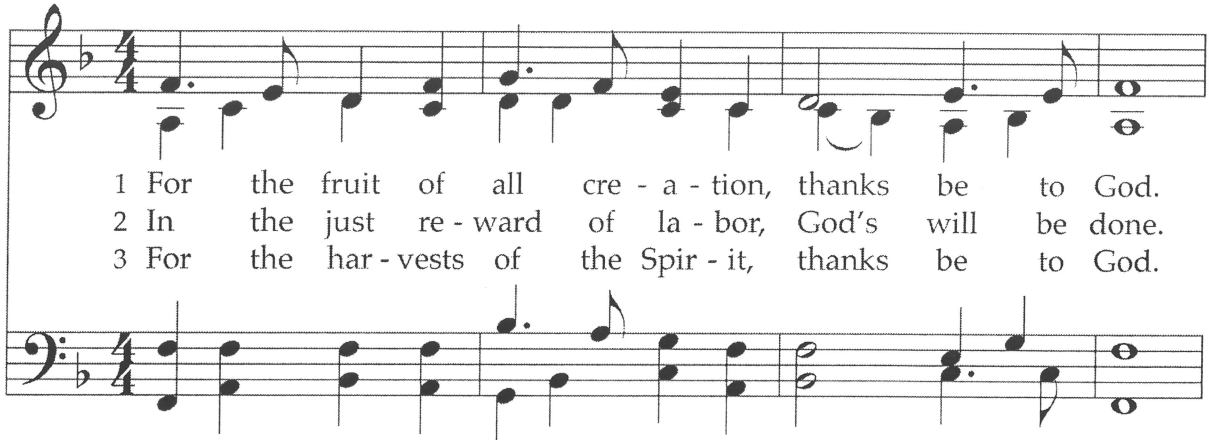
a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

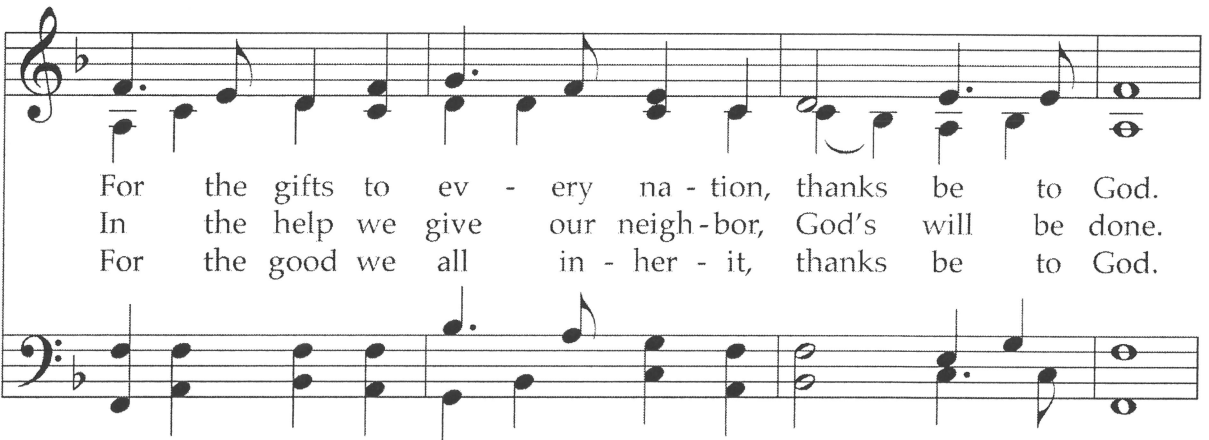
tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

# For the Fruit of All Creation

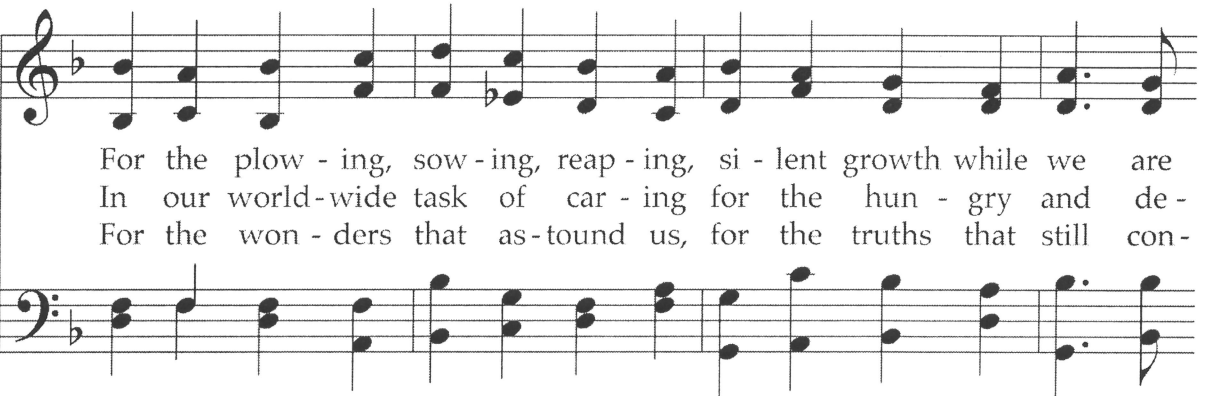
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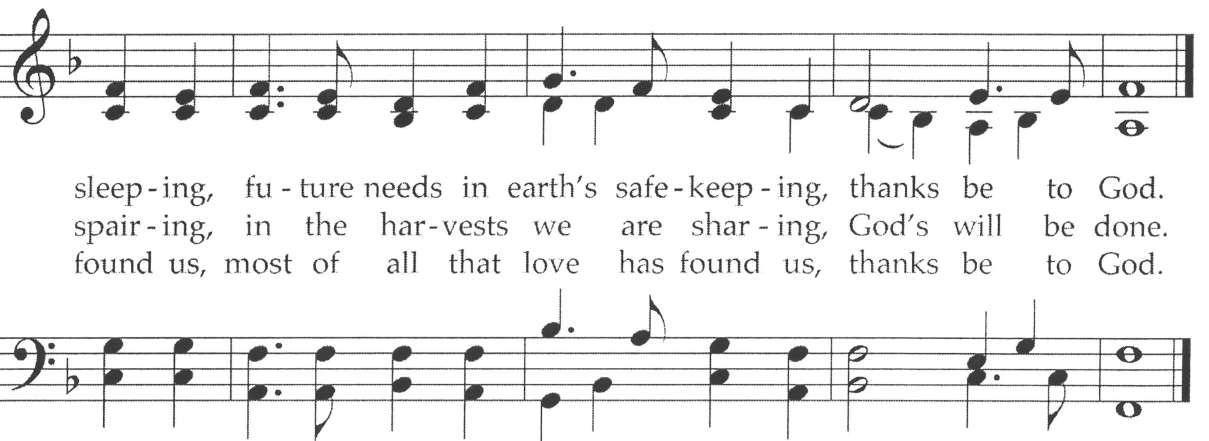
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

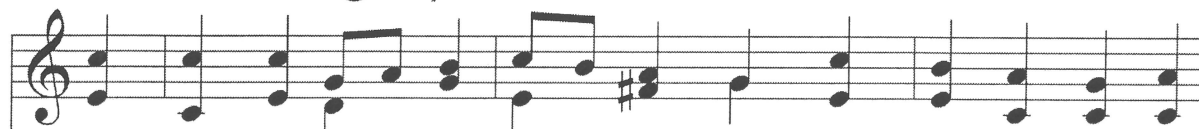


For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

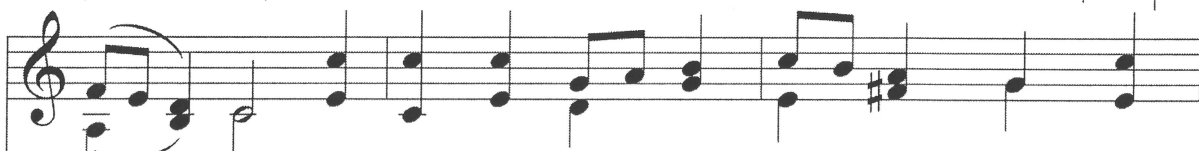


sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.  
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

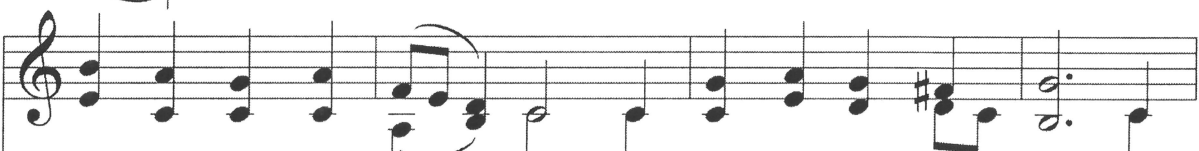
# 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -



fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this



seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and  
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from  
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for  
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's





armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.  
truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The treble staff contains the melody, and the bass staff contains the bass line. The lyrics are written between the two staves. The music is in a common time signature (C) and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The bass line is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: "armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual. age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle. lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him. truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er." The lyrics are written in a simple, sans-serif font. The music is written in a standard notation style with a treble clef and a bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The bass line is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written between the two staves.

## This Week at a Glance!

<p><b>After Worship</b> Farewell Reception for Cheryl Henry</p> <p><b>4:30 – 6:30 PM</b> Middle School Youth</p> <p><b>5:00 PM</b> Alleluia Children's Choir</p> <p><b>5:00 – 7:00 PM</b> Documentary "Resilience" with dinner and discussion</p> <p>No Book Study</p> <p><b>6:00 – 6:30 PM</b> Youth Group Dinner</p> <p><b>6:00 – 8:00 PM</b> High School Youth</p>	<p><b>Monday, October 28</b></p> <p><b>9:00 AM – 12 Noon</b> Walk-in Ministry client interviews</p> <p><b>6:00 PM</b> Diaconate</p> <p><b>6:30 PM</b> Officers' Supper</p> <p><b>7:00 PM</b> Session</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, October 29</b></p> <p><b>1:30 PM</b> Worship Planning</p> <p><b>2:30 PM</b> Program Staff</p> <p><b>Newsletter today!</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, October 30</b></p> <p><b>5:00 PM</b> Bell Choir</p> <p><b>7:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir</p>
<p><b>Thursday, October 31</b></p> <p><b>9:00 AM – 12 Noon</b> Walk-in Ministry client interviews</p>	<p><b>Friday, November 1</b></p> <p>All Saints' Day</p> <p>World Community Day</p>	<p><b>Saturday, November 2</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed tonight</p>	<p><b>Sunday, November 3</b> <i>Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 a.m.</i></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p><b>9:45 AM</b> Sunday School</p> <p><b>11:00 AM</b> Worship and Communion</p> <p><b>After Worship:</b> Racial Equity Task Force</p> <p><b>4:30 – 6:30 PM</b> Middle School Youth</p> <p><b>5:00 PM</b> Alleluia Children's Choir Book Study: <i>Holy Envy</i></p> <p><b>6:00 – 8:00 PM</b> High School Youth</p>

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator  
Robert Daye, Sexton  
Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff  
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate  
Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor

### CHURCH STAFF



Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate  
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator  
Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor  
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music  
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

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