

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Pentecost Sunday

June 4, 2017

**A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
AND ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mindy Douglas

Ritual of Friendship

PRELUDE

We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit

D. Buxtehude

INTROIT

Veni Creator Spiritus

Plainsong, 8th cent.

O Holy Spirit, by whose breath life rises vibrant out of death:

Come to create, renew, inspire; come, kindle in our hearts your fire.

Praise to the Father, Christ the Word, and to the Spirit, God the Lord;

To whom all honor, glory be both now and for eternity.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Litany for Pentecost)*

Sam Miglarese

Leader: God's Spirit joins with our spirits to declare that we are children of God.

Come, Spirit of wisdom, and teach us to value the highest gifts.

People: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Come, Spirit of understanding, and show us all things in the light of eternity.

People: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Come, Spirit of godliness, and stir up our minds and hearts
to love and serve the Lord our God all our days.

People: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 280**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Ebenezer

***CONFESSION OF SIN** (remain standing)

Sam Miglarese

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Come, Holy Spirit! Rain upon our dry and dusty lives. Wash away our sin and heal

our wounded spirits. Kindle within us the fire of your love to burn away our apathy.

With your warmth bend our rigidity, and guide our wandering feet. Amen.

Silent Confession

* Those who are able, please stand.



Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Jennie Alwood

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **Perplexing, Pentecostal God, you infuse us with your Spirit, urging us to vision and dream. May the gift of your presence find voice in our lives, that our babbling may be transformed into discernment and the flickering of many tongues light an unquenchable fire of compassion and justice. Amen.**

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

(Pew Bible, NT Page 174)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Acts 2:1-21

(Pew Bible, NT Page 119)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****SERMON***"Signs of the Spirit"*

Mindy Douglas

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(in unison)* *A Brief Statement of Faith* Marilyn Hedgpeth

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.

and men to all ministries of the church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in church and culture,**

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*HYMN NO. 296 *Go in Grace and Make Disciples* *Wondrous Light*
(Children through 1st grade enter worship during the final stanza of the hymn.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(The Children's Choir is on recess for the summer. Following "A Time with the Children," the younger children may return to the nursery and the older children join their parents in the pew.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

*(Please use the enclosed envelope for your **Pentecost Offering**. This offering is specifically targeted to help young people in need, both through programs with the PCUSA, and in our own community. Please give generously!)*

Anthem at the Offering *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me* *Adoro te devote*, arr. K. Lee Scott

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now that grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, Thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions kindly, speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.*

*Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.*

*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!*

Leader: God of dreams and prophecy, send down upon us your gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and faith; of healing, discernment, and interpretation, that your church may be built up in the likeness of your Son. Sanctify your groaning creation, that your universe may breathe your breath and be filled with your life anew, that we may love what you love, and do what you do, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God.

All: **Amen.**

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Gluten- and peanut-free bread is available by the lectern. As you come forward to receive the elements, please bring your blessing bags/supplies and place them in the baskets.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Sam Miglarese

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All: **God of majesty, we are constantly surrounded by your gifts and touched by your grace; our words of praise do not approach the wonders of your love. Send forth your Spirit, that our lives may be refreshed and the whole world may be renewed, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

LITANY FOR GRADUATES

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: We come this day, O God, asking your blessings for these graduates as they complete one phase of their lives and enter the next. They have received nurture in the faith, the guidance of a community, the grace of the sacraments — all to the end that they might glorify you, live in fellowship with your people, and enjoy the life you have given.

Congregation: **In the covenant of baptism, we have supported them and their families. We thank you for their very being, their gifts, their accomplishments, and the promise life holds for them. We ask, loving God, your continuing grace for them wherever they go, that they will discover places of fellowship where they can find meaning in worship, comfort in disappointment, challenge in service, and faithfulness in heeding your call.**

Graduates: We thank you, Lord, for all who have loved us to maturity in faith. For parents, mentors, leaders, teachers, for all who provided direction and encouragement and models of faithful living, we bring our gratitude. May we build upon this strong foundation, knowing that God will ever be faithful to us no matter what life may bring.

Congregation: **Great God, may these graduates go out into the world confident in your promises, held by the prayers of this congregation, and surrounded by the saints in that great cloud of witnesses, looking to Jesus who will certainly go with them until that day you bring us all home together in your Kingdom.**

PRESENTATION TO GRADUATES

Barbara Fish, Jo Bernhardt

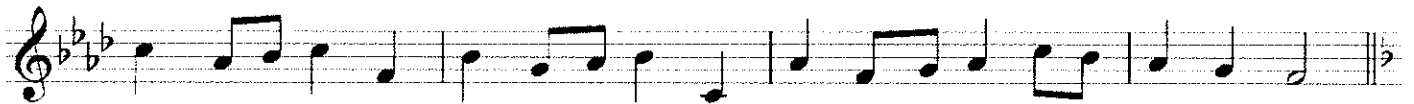
***HYMN**

Sovereign Lord of All Creation

Geneva



1. Sov - ereign Lord of all cre - a - tion, Ground of be - ing, life and love;
 2. Je - sus Christ, the One for oth - ers, We, Your peo - ple, make our prayer:
 3. Ho - ly Spir - it, rush - ing, burn - ing Wind and flame of Pen - te - cost,



Height and depth be - yond de - scrip - tion On - ly life in You can prove:
 Help us love as sis - ters, broth - ers, All whose bur - dens we can share.
 Fire our hearts a - fresh with yearn - ing To re - gain what we have lost.



You are mor - tal life's de - pen - dence: Thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
 Where Your name binds us to - geth - er, You, Lord Christ, will sure - ly be;
 May Your love u - nite our ac - tion, Nev - er - more to speak a - lone:



Yours is ev - ery hour's ex - is - tence, Sov ereign Lord of time and space.
 Where no self - ish - ness can sev - er, There Your love the world may see.
 God, in us a - bol - ish fac - tion, God, through us Your love make known.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Mindy Douglas

***POSTLUDE**

Capriccio

T. Merula

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 Sunday, May 28, we welcomed 14 visitors to worship.

Welcoming the Stranger: We can be grateful that our church is blessed with many visitors. On occasion, some of the visitors have asked for money or other forms of assistance, and it is not always clear how to respond. **Marie Sappenfield** and **Susan Dunlap** are offering an opportunity **today following worship** to discuss ways to respond to such requests. We will talk about practical, faithful ways to welcome all our visitors and how to graciously and appropriately offer Christian hospitality. A light lunch will be offered. The **flowers** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of our graduates.

Childcare for infants through 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. After the sermon is delivered children ages 3-6 join worship for the remainder of service. Care for infants-2 years continues 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 and youth. Books are on the pews in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle or return to an usher.

Portions of **today's texts** were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship, Eucharistic Prayers, and Feasting on the Word*.

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

Peaches McPherson, recovering from a fall

Barbara Gerwe, recovering following back surgery

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): **Julian Boswell**

Eno Pointe Assisted Living (Durham): **Helen Garrison**

Croasdaile Village: **Bette Conroy, Joanne Harrar, Bob Keever, Bob Rankin, Florence Shackelford**

Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant, Ken Goldner, Peaches McPherson**

Atria: **Peggy Mordecai**, mother of Beth Eisenson

Family and Friends of FPC Members:

- **Robert G. Cope, III**, great nephew of Sam Miglarese
- **Katrina Downey**, friend of Joanne Harrar
- **Michael Gilbert**, co-worker of Kerry Holbrook
- **Mike Gray**, cousin of Linn Lopez
- **Rick Hager**, friend of Celia Dickerson
- **Cherie Haines**, sister of Vernon Neece
- **Paul Martin**, brother of Beth Neece
- **Tyrone McMillian**, husband of Valerie McMillian
- **Shade Mecum**, stepfather of Katherine Higgins
- **Linda Momsen**, mother of Deborah Momsen-Hudson
- **Janice Rattray**, friend of Robert and Jane Brawley
- **Lauren Bethune Scroggs**, sister of Alec Bethune
- **Lisa Short**, cousin of Alissa Miles

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Liturgist: **Jennie Alwood**

Narthex Greeter: **Delia Kwon**

After Worship Greeters: **Dewey Lawson** (Side/font), **Alice Raney** (Rear/Narthex)


Ushers: **Mary-Jo Keenan** (head), **Karen Swope** (flowers), **Michael Honeycutt**, **Sharon Hirsch**,
Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey, **Julie Whiddon**

Communion Elders: **Al Arrowood** (head, replenish elements)

Bread: **Alice Raney** (B1, process), **Caroline Rourk** (B2), **Eric Wiebe** (B3), **Kate Busa** (B4)

Cup: **Bob Breitweiser** (C1), **Delia Kwon** (C2, process), **Dewey Lawson** (C3), **Phyllis Verhey** (C4)

Shepherds: **Jane Williams** (Shepherd font), **Gray Wilson** (Shepherd pulpit), **Will McDow** (Shepherd center)

The Week at a Glance!			
<p>Later Today</p> <p>After Worship: "Welcoming the Stranger"</p> <p>5:00 p.m. NC Boys Choir Spring Concert</p>	<p>Monday, June 5</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee</p> <p>6:00 p.m. CE Committee</p>	<p>Tuesday, June 6</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Plan Worship</p> <p>2:30 p.m. FPC Staff</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 7</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir</p>
<p>Thursday, June 8</p>	<p>Friday, June 9</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Primetimers at the Lorimers</p>	<p>Saturday, June 10</p>	<p>Sunday, June 11</p> <p align="center">  </p> <p>9:45 a.m. Summer Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship</p> <p>3:00 p.m. Communion Service at Croasdaile Village</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Rosa Ramirez Senior Recital</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Great Big Church Family Festival at FPC</p>