

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 13, 2018

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the King of Creation

J. Walther

INTROIT(Children's Choir)

Amazing Day

Rebecca Thompson

Thank you, God for this amazing day. Thank you, God, for work and play; for friends and family and animals too,

on this amazing day.

Look around us here,

see God's Holy Spirit ev'rywhere.

There's happiness, gentleness, love, peace, joy,

overflowing for all to see.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 47)

Mindy Douglas

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

All: I

Let us worship God.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name!

Coronation

*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

Mindy Douglas

Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

Creator God, whose image never escapes us,

you, and not we ourselves, are the perfecter of our souls.

Living Christ, who emptied yourself so that we might be filled with your love,

it is you, and not we ourselves, who knows the way to the truth and the life that we seek.

Breathing Spirit, whose forgiveness frees us,

it is you, and not we ourselves, who can see us for who we really are and calls us to be who we are meant to be.

Forgive us, O Holy Trinity, when we have thought otherwise.

Forgive us when we have assumed we know what only you can know.

Empty us, and fill us anew with the freedom for living that is found only in you.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

^{*} Those who are able, please stand.





*THE PEACE Sarah Finbow

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Jean Cary

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he

might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace; bring all creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 6:43-45 (Pew Bible, NT Page 65)

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

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 1:1-11 (Pew Bible, NT Page 118)

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

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 2: 1-13 (Pew Bible, NT Page 197)

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

SERMON "Running on Empty" Cherrie Henry

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From The Confession of 1967 (9.15) Sarah Finbow

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God's love in Jesus Christ is revealed by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful humanity. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

*HYMN No. 215 What Wondrous Love Is This Wondrous Love

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during the hymn.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Cherrie Henry

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, Lamb who takes our sin away, Lamb of God, Lamb of God, have mercy on us, we pray. Lamb of God, Lamb of God, Lamb who takes our sin away, Lamb of God, Lamb of God, grant us your peace this day. Amen.

(Children can remain in worship with their parents or return to the nursery.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

Fairest Lord Jesus

Marilyn Biery

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, you are of God and earth the son. You will I cherish, you will I honor, you, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heaven can boast.

*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!

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Susan Dunlap

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Susan Dunlap, Cherrie Henry

Leader: People:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Leader:

Lift up your hearts.

People:

We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: People:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader:

We exalt you, Lord God, for the holy extravagance of your salvation. Worthy are you to whom we bow, for in your Son you have knelt before us in humility. You have looked with favor upon your servant Israel. You have scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts and have lifted up the lowly. Your Son, though of the same love and same mind as you, did not regard equality with you as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. Being born in human likeness, he humbled himself even unto death on a cross. You lifted him up in resurrection glory, and exalted him to your right hand on high. And so, on bended knee, we confess him as Lord, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, joining the unending hymn:

All (sung):

Sung to Easter Hymn

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!
Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia!
Every knee to you shall bow; Alleluia!

Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!

Leader:

God at the table, make your joy complete by uniting those who share this meal with the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. As we remember his saving mercies, make us to be of the same love, the same heart, sharing in the same Spirit; and sanctify this bread and cup that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Great is the mystery of faith.

All:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader:

God of every consolation, bring your kingdom among your children who are bowed low under the weight of oppression. Send your Spirit of truth into places where servanthood has turned to exploitation, service has turned to slavery, or humility has turned to bonded labor.

(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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.

*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Note: Gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.

Hymn No. 137 (all sing)

He Came Down

He Came Down

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: Amen.

All: Empty your church of all that obscures its witness to the cross of Christ, our only Lord.

Today make us ready for that one eternal day, when we shall kneel around your throne, together with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, in the company of Jesus our Lord, giving

all praise and glory to you, Almighty God, forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN No. 260

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hyfrydol

*BENEDICTION Cherrie Henry

*POSTLUDE

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

Johann Ludwig Adam

A *Mother's Day Luncheon* will be held following worship in Watts-Hill Hall. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal: \$8 per person; \$24 maximum for a family.

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 6, we welcomed 16 visitors to our worship service.

Special thanks to *Samantha Arten* and the **parents of the children** for their great work with the Children's Choir.

The *flowers* in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the *Albert G. Carr family daughters* in loving memory of our mother, *Katherine L. Carr*, whom we adored, and our beloved grandmothers, *Louise Carr* and *Maria Legg*.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. After the sermon is delivered, children ages 3 to 6 join worship for "A Time with the Children" while childcare 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. Books are on the pews in the narthex for younger children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of today's worship texts were reprinted from the Book of Common Worship and Eucharistic Prayers.

~ Joys and Concerns ~

<u>CONDOLENCES</u>: We extend heartfelt condolences to *Hendrika Vande Kemp and family* on the death of her sister, *Clare Iedema*, who died May 4th in Strathroy, ON; and to *Mindy Douglas and family* on the death of her uncle, *Park Tyler*, who died May 4th in Gatlinburg, TN.

Added this week: May Juhnke, mother of Tom Juhnke

Carsey Family

Graham/Seawell/Boyle Family

Keever Family

Lorimer Family

Susan Seahorn

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): *Julian Boswell* Croasdaile Village: *Bette Conroy* (Friendship Hall)

Croasdaile Pavilion: John Kerr, Bob Rankin, Florence Shackelford

Dubose Center (Chapel Hill): Mary Clark

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point (Durham): Helen Garrison The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:

Laurie Nelson Bailey, cousin of Charlotte Nelson

Tom Birchfield, step-father of Wil James

Ching-Chang Chin, father of Li-Chen Chin

Marc Crawford, friend of Brianna and Ricky Bennett

Linda High, niece-in-law of Elizabeth High

Maria Holland, daughter of Katy and Bruce Loebrich

David Kilpatrick, grandson of Elizabeth High (US Air Force, stationed in England)

Patricia Kost, grandmother of Jack Kost

Paul Martin, brother of Beth Neece

Evelyn McDaniel, mother of Mary Kay Robinson

Rosemary Orphys, aunt of Kerry Holbrook

Vickie Tobey, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman

Anne Turlington, aunt of Jack Kost

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: Jean Cary

Narthex Greeter: Maxie Honeycutt

After Worship Greeters: Alice Raney (side/font); Sigfried Fullenkamp (rear/narthex)

Ushers: Emily Wilkins (head), Mary-Jo Keenan, Elinor Hess, John Mozart

Communion Elders:

Head/replenish elements: Tyler Momsen-Hudson

Bread: Barbara Buckley (B1/process), Sigfried Fullenkamp (B2), Brent Curtis (B3), Dewey Lawson (B4)

Cup: Andy Henry (C1), Carol Carson (C2/process), Delia Kwon (C3), George Bernhardt (C4) Shepherds: Jane Williams (center aisle), Alice Raney (font aisle), Eric Wiebe (pulpit aisle)

Supporting Durham Public School Teachers and Students

KUDOS to those of you who responded to the call to help some Durham Public School students have a lunch meal on May 16 while teachers are allowed to address educational concerns with the state legislature. For those who want to help assemble lunch bags, we need volunteers TODAY following worship and after the Mother's Day Luncheon, and on Monday, as your schedule allows.

A Peacemaking Lunch & Learn Event Monday, May 14 at 12:30 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall

PALESTINE IS OUR HOME – A presentation and book signing event featuring Nahida Halaby Gordon, PhD, organized around the 70th anniversary of the Nakba: Monday, May 14, @12:30 p.m. at FPC. Bring your lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided. Dr. Gordon was born the youngest of four children into a Presbyterian (Church of Scotland) family in Jerusalem, Palestine. She is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Wooster, Ohio, and is active in the Israel-Palestine Mission Network of Presbyterian Church (USA), and on the steering committee of the Christian ecumenical organization, the Friends of Sabeel North America (FOSNA). Her book is a compilation of interviews she conducted with survivors and refugees of the 1948 Palestinian Nakba, and, also, her own family's experience. Books will be available for purchase. Event is sponsored by The Coalition for Peace with Justice.



Smart Devices Needed

Do you have an old iPod, iPhone, or iPad? Please bring it to church to donate! Your device will be donated to Music and Memory (www.musicandmemory.org) to provide "personalized music" for people suffering from dementia. Look for the plastic box with the Music and Memory logo in the volunteer's office, or contact Christyn Klinck for more information (cfklinck@gmail.com). Donations accepted through Sunday, May 27.



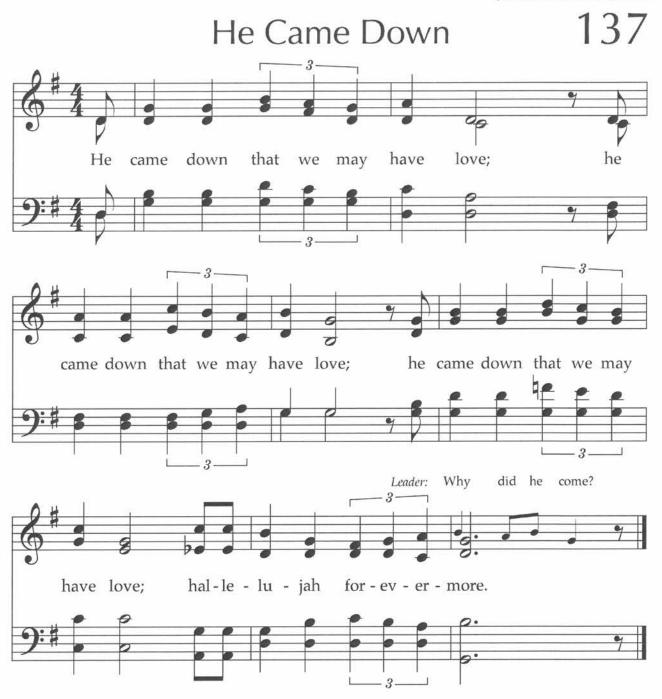
Calling All Graduates!

FPC will recognize graduates again this year with a special bulletin insert in June. If you or someone in your family or household is graduating from college or high school this spring, help us share the good news. Please submit your graduate's information to *Valerie McMillian* in the church office by email: v.mcmillian@firstpresdurham.org or leave the details in Valerie's mailbox at the church. The deadline is Sunday, May 27.

263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! Descant 4 O that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall; cho-sen seed of Is-rael's race, ye ran-somed from the fall, ev - ery kin-dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res-trial ball that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join crown him Lord of all! the song, and bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord all! him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord all! We'll join the ev - er - last-ing song, and crown him Lord all! of We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all! him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! To him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all! ev - er - last-ing song, and crown him We'll join the Lord of all!

What Wondrous Love Is This 215





Additional stanzas:

... that we may have light

... that we may have peace

... that we may have joy

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus





The Week at a Glance!			
Later Today	Monday, May 14	Tuesday, May 15	Wednesday, May 16
After Worship Mother's Day Luncheon Assemble lunches for Durham Public Schools 2:00 – 4:00 PM Shape Note Choir	12:30 PM Lunch & Learn Presentation & Book Signing 5:30 PM CE Committee 6:30 PM S & M Committee 7:00 PM WATA Committee 7:00 - 8:30 PM Strategic Planning Team at the McDow home	1:30 PM Worship Planning 2:30 PM Program Staff 6:00 PM Finance Committee 7:00 PM Vox Men's Chorus Newsletter today	6:00 PM Stewardship Committee 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
Thursday, May 17	Friday, May 18	Saturday, May 19	Sunday, May 20
6:30 PM Day School Board	7:00 – 9:00 AM FPC serving breakfast at Urban ministries of Durham Café	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM First Friends and Families walk the American Tobacco Trail followed by lunch at the home of Dawn Carsey	The Pentecost Offering will be received. 9:45 AM Sunday School / Scripture Readers' Class 11:00 AM
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Tom Bloom, Business Administrator Robert Daye, Sexton Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate Sarah Finbow. Youth Minister



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