

SEPTEMBER 08, 2019 · 10:00 AM

(* Those who are able, please stand. Large print hymnals, bulletins & wireless hearing aids are available. Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Chapel Windows" arr Sewell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

**People.... let us lay aside every weight
and the sin that clings so closely;
and let us run with perseverance
the race that is set before us.**

**All Mindful of the gifts we receive
and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides,
let us worship God.**

*HYMN "God Is Here!" # 461

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Raymond Tucker

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**Holy God, like privileged children,
we are quick to presume your pardon.**

Forgive us.

**We turn away from neighbors, sharing leftovers
only after our needs have been met.**

Merciful One, you created us for better; remake us.

**Where we are distorted,
re-center and reshape us, bring us low and raise us up.**

**Then fire our hearts until we shine with your glory
and find our place in your purpose.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Glory Be to the Father" # 579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end.
Amen. Amen**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Luke 14:25-33

"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 59

ANTHEM "Grave Above All" Allan Robert Petker
Welcome Back Senior Choir

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 18:1-11
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" OT Page 558

CHILDREN'S TALK Mary Grow

SERMON **The Work of the Potter**

*HYMN "Take My Life" # 391

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed
(See Laminated Pew Cards)

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Take My Life" arr Lovelace

Song of Praise "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above,
ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Choral Prayer "Spirit of the Living God" Iverson

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer
...See Laminated Pew Cards for the Lord's Prayer

*HYMN "Blest Are They" See Insert

*BENEDICTION See Laminated Pew Cards concluding with...

Leader: . Remember that God is good

People: . All the time!

*SUNG RESPONSE (Choir starts followed by Congregation)

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day,
That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.**

POSTLUDE "Bachiana" Young

Welcome Visitors. Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you find in the pew rack. Pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher! Be sure to join us in the parlor after Worship for our last coffee break of the season.

Mission Statement: First Presbyterian Church exists to improve our understanding of Christ; to spread His word and teachings; and to reach out to our church family, our community, and the world through acts of compassion, kindness, and love

A Staffed Nursery & Toddler Care Room is located on the 1st floor behind the sanctuary. We also offer an optional Quiet Room for parents with small children located in the sanctuary back

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today....10:00 amWorship
followed by Chocolate Tasting/Coffee Break
Mon.....Offices closed on Mondays for vacation
Nursery School resumes ☺
11:00 amPW Coordinating Team in parlor
Tues.....10:00 amPrayer Shawl Ministry/Crafty Ladies
1:30 pmMission Closet Open
7:00 pmSerenity Circle resumes in the parlor
Wed.....6:30 pmBell Choir rehearsals resume
7:30 pmSenior Choir rehearses
Thurs7:30 amWestern Pastor Group
1:30 pmMission Closet Open
3:00 pmBible Study resumes in Library
BIB Packing at Trinity (TUCC)
7:00 pmDeacons meet

NEXT SUNDAY ...First Timothy 1:12-17; Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
Church School & Youth Choir resume
Mary Mowry Scholarship & Food Pantry Collection

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers are led by Don Hanson. Sep 15: Dave Scaccia
Layreader is Raymond Tucker. Sep 15: Danielle Sexton
Worship Recorder is Tom McGibbon. Sep 15: Sue Davidson
Deacon Ramp Duty is Mary Lou Talley. Sep 15: TBD
Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List: Selma O'Meara, Rick & Susan O'Meara, Bobbie & Bob Foote, Gail Bostwick; Sara, Ron, Connor & Carli Griffiths; and 1st Pres Rome

Coffee Break Resumes Today: Intergenerational **CHOCOLATE TASTING** in Dining Hall after Worship!

Support Our Troops: Support our Soldiers boxes are in the choir hallway for Eric, Dan, Samantha and Michael. **If you are unable to purchase a specific item, please see Gail Tucker to donate a few dollars toward gift certificates ☺**