

# **First Presbyterian Church**

**Welcomes you for Worship  
July 22, 2018**

**Rev. David Smith  
Minister**



## **Our Vision**

**By the grace of Jesus Christ,  
We will strive to share the  
Good News with the world,  
To nurture our faith, and to  
Go into the world sharing  
Christ's love and mercy.**

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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

July 22, 2018

10:15 am

**Assemble in God's Name**

BIBLICAL AND INFORMAL GREETING

*Following brief announcements, the congregation is invited to prepare in silence for worship.  
Please use this time to pray, to meditate, or to read the Scriptures for today.*

PRELUDE

"Op. 3 no. 8 Allegro"  
Puls Family

Vivaldi

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Meredith Davis

Come into the presence of the Most High God with songs of praise and shouts of thanksgiving.

***For our Savior frees us from slavery; our Savior heals our diseases; our Savior is our peace.***

You are a holy temple in the Lord Jesus Christ.

***Come; let us worship God***

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

***O Trinity, fill our weakness with your strength; bind up our brokenness with your unity; calm our fears and our dread of dying with your peace. Let us be about the tasks of your love. Use us to build a holy place where healing and caring and joy blend in the tones of worship to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

\*HYMN NO. 464 (Blue Hymnal)

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We have failed to show your love or to do justice in obedience to you. Have mercy on us, God of grace. Forgive our sins, we humbly pray. Put the mind of Christ within us, O God, so that our lives take the form of a cross. Use us to break down walls of hostility within the church, among the nations, and around the world.***

PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our Lord Jesus gives us rest and peace.

Our Master's touch heals us, and his shed blood is our salvation.

***In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.***

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you!

***And also with you!***

\*RESPONSE

"Gloria Patri"

No. 579 (Blue Hymnal)

**Proclaim God's Word**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor David

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:11-22  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

NT Pg. 192

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Pie Jesu”

Andrew Lloyd Weber

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6:30-44  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

NT Pg. 41

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“Feed the Hungry”

Rev. David Smith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

***I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

**Give Thanks To God**

\*HYMN NO.422 (Blue Hymnal)

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

BEACH SPRING

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us pray.

*The congregation will be led in prayer, concluding with our Lord's Prayer (traditional, page 16 of the hymnal).*

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*We use “debts” and “debtors.”*)

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

*Visitors, we invite you to share your contact information on a Welcome Card.*

OFFERTORY

“Op. 3 no. 8 Larghetto e spiritoso”

Vivaldi

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 592 (Blue Hymnal)

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them up to God.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give you thanks and praise. We thank you for enriching our lives with all that is good and for providing for us in times of trial. Make us ever more mindful of the blessings you grant us each day; deepen our trust in your love and mercy. Increase our thanksgiving by guiding our offerings to help others in need. Unite us all in a community of thanksgiving, always glorifying you, O Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.***

**Go In God's Name**

\*HYMN NO. 386 (Blue Hymnal)

“O for a World”

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\*DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

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*\*Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

**WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME** to all visitors who are worshiping with us this morning. We would like the opportunity to tell you more about our church family. We invite you to share your information on one of the Welcome Cards in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate.

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the glory of God by Charlotte Furbee.

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE PULS FAMILY FOR SHARING THE MUSICAL GIFTS THIS MORNING!**

**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:**

WORSHIP LEADER: Meredith Davis

CHILDREN’S SERMON: Pastor David

SOUND SYSTEM: John Lee

SIP N CHAT: Murdock

FLOWER DELIVERY: The Congregation

USHERS: Dick & Nancy Murdock, Peggy Malcomb, Bonita Smith

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER WORSHIP FOR SIP N CHAT.** We also invite you to take part in the life of this congregation by participating in any activity that can help you on your spiritual journey. Regular Sunday activities are:

9:00 – Sunday School

10:15—Worship Service

11:30—Sip N Chat in Fellowship Hall

**ORGAN UPDATE:** Muller Pipe Organ Company has taken 2 of the windchests to their shop in Hartford near Columbus for repairs. The windchest is an airtight box that has small leather valves which let wind into the pipes when the organist presses keys at the console. Muller is expecting to have these reinstalled and fully functional towards the end of the summer.

**THE SIP N CHAT CALENDAR FOR 2018 HAS BEEN POSTED. PLEASE SIGN UP!** We have plenty of open dates still left for this summer. Simple snacks are fine. We still have openings for July 29 and August 5.

**THERE IS NO YOUTH GROUP THIS EVENING. BRAD IS ON VACATION WITH HIS FAMILY.**

**NEXT YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAY, JULY 29, 6 TO 8 PM WILL BE AN EPIC ULTIMATE FRISBEE TOURNAMENT.** It will be at Brad and Cristie’s home, 405 Smith Drive, Marietta. It’s going to be awesome. You don’t want to miss this!

**JOIN US FOR CHURCH LEAGUE SOFTBALL!!** Our next games are tomorrow, Monday, July 23 at 6pm, 8pm and 9pm all on Field 1.

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> IS OUR NEXT COMMUNITY MEAL.** The menu is beef vegetable soup, chicken salad or egg salad sandwiches, and dessert. If you are able to help prepare, set up, serve or clean up, the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board at the foot of the stairs.

**WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN HELPING HOST A SPEAKER ON THE TOPIC OF REFUGEES?** Our Presbytery will be hosting Mr. Manolis Ntamparakis from Greece. He is the director of social action for the Naomi Ecumenical Workshop for Refugees. Naomi responds to the needs of thousands of refugees in the area. Possible dates for him to speak are September 30, or October 1 – 3 for an evening gathering. If you would like to help host a meeting, please speak to Pastor David. We will reach out to area churches and other groups to invite them for that evening. This is a timely topic and Mr. Ntamparakis is a wonderful resource!

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE HELPING KEEP OUR GREEN SPACE WEEDED AND LOOKING NICE!** If you need to change your schedule month, please contact Marilyn Moody.

**PARENTS, WE HAVE BAGS WITH COLORING AND DRAWING SUPPLIES FOR CHILDREN TO USE DURING WORSHIP.** These are in the narthex (the entryway to the sanctuary) on one of the pews. Ushers can help you locate these.

**VALLEY GEM BREAKFAST AND WORSHIP ON THE RIVER WILL BE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30.** Save the date!

**WE HAVE WORSHIP RESOURCES FROM ILLUSTRATED CHILDREN'S MINISTRY.**

- 1) Children's Bulletins with a page for each of the lectionary passages. Ushers will have these to share.
- 2) A coloring page for children or adults for the passage Pastor David is using for the sermons. Pick one up near the entrances, take it home to color, and bring it back next week. We will post those on our mobile bulletin boards so others can be blessed.
- 3) A Children's Sermon resource with a picture and outline of the message that makes this moment in the worship easier for volunteers.

**PLEASE, LET US KNOW IF YOU SERVED IN THE KOREAN WAR.** Dr Bae Suk Lee, a former member of our congregation has a medallion of appreciation he shares with Korean War Veterans or their next of kin in appreciation for the sacrifices Americans made for his home land. We will arrange a future date for the presentation of those. Call the church (740-371-1800), drop a note in the offering plate, or send an email ([pastor.fpcmarietta@yahoo.com](mailto:pastor.fpcmarietta@yahoo.com)).

**WEEKLY STUDENT NEWSLETTER:** FPC Student Ministries is reaching out to our families and congregation by means of a Weekly Newsletter. This email newsletter, will feature upcoming events, photos from our gatherings, a brief overview of what we are studying, and a letter from our Youth and Children's Director. If you would like to sign up to receive this, there is a sheet on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to keep up to date with our many happenings!



## **Live Simply**

We often say that life is too complicated. We can make choices to change that. The Bible has many commands that can lead us to simpler lives. We shouldn't, however, confuse simple with easy. There are many things in life that tempt us away from obedience to God's directions. This summer, we will explore some of those simple commands and what tempts us to disobey them. As we learn to live more simply, we free ourselves to be more faithful to God, we have more time to care for others, and we experience more joy.

### ***This week's focus 'Feed the Hungry'***

Jesus' motivation when he feed the thousands was compassion. He taught, he healed, he fed: he cared for the whole person. His motivation and actions give us a guide when it comes to ministry. When we answer the call to simple living, we have the time and resources to follow his example.

- 1) We often have the same reaction to situations of need that the disciples had. "Others will take care of this. It's not our problem. We have done enough." There are certainly cases where directing someone to other resources is appropriate. We need to test our own motivations when we do this. Are we motivated by compassion like Jesus?
- 2) It's tempting to think we don't have the resources to address the cases of need we encounter. Faced with a "multitude" we grow fearful. Jesus asked his disciples, "What do you have?" God always starts with what we have, even if it appears meager in our eyes. God is able to use our small gifts to do big things. We are obedient when we give all we have, even the small things, to God's work.
- 3) Jesus had the disciples organize the crowd. Our response to need motivated out of compassion should be thoughtful and well planned. This insures that resources are used wisely, everyone is treated respectfully, and we avoid toxic elements like being judgmental of those in need. We need dreamers and administrators to work together in the church to address the ministries to which we are called.



**CHECK OUT THE NEW CARDS AND ENVELOPES IN THE PEW RACKS!**

- Welcome Cards for visitors to leave their contact information and for regular attenders to update theirs.
- Prayer Request Cards. Use these for updates to the prayer list as well.
- Deacons’ Envelopes for donations to the ministry of our Deacons.
- Pew Envelopes for other donations.

Any of these can be deposited in the offering plate. The fellowship pads will no longer be used.

**HAVE INPUT FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERS?** *Open Line to Session* cards can be found on the table at the top of the main stairwell. Cards must be signed when providing input.

**THE 2018 FLOWER CALENDAR HAS BEEN POSTED.** You can sign up to purchase flowers for a Sunday. The cost is \$15. Please email or call the office with the message you would like to appear in the bulletin for that Sunday. Dates that are available in the next few months are September 9.

**ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF  
July 22 - July 29**

**Sunday**

- 9:00 – Adult SunSch
- 10:00- Called Session Meeting
- 10:15 – Worship
- 11:30 – Sip N Chat

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

- 11:30 – Community Meal
- 6:00 – Worship & Music
- 7:00 – AA District 15

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

- 7:00 – AA

**Friday**

**Saturday**

- 8:00 – Men’s Fellowship
- 9:00 – AA
- 10:00 – SDA Church School & Worship

**Next Sunday –**

- Scripture: Psalm 45:1-9
- Song of Solomon 2:8:13
- Sermon: “Enjoy Life – Help Others Do the Same”

**Do you have a favorite hymn that comes with a story?**

Often our favorite hymns are associated with a particular service or event that stands out in our faith journey. If you have a hymn and a story to share, Pastor David would like to hear from you. As hymns are selected for July and August, these hymns and the stories will be included. If you would prefer to remain anonymous, just the story will be shared. If you would like to share the story verbally with the congregation, that can be arranged also. Drop this tear off in the bulletin with the information or send Pastor David an email at [pastor.fpcmarietta@yahoo.com](mailto:pastor.fpcmarietta@yahoo.com)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hymn \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Story \_\_\_\_\_

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