



First Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

June 23, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Second Sunday after Pentecost

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg is to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who know God and, through love, serve the Lord and others. We will accomplish our mission by practicing radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith development, risk-taking mission, and extravagant generosity.

PREPARATION

(Please use the prelude as a time for reflection and preparation for worship.)

**Please stand, if able. Responses are in boldface.*

PRELUDE

Partita on "How Firm a Foundation" (hymn 463)

Alfred V. Fedak

I. Prelude

IV. Chorale

(b. 1953)

II. Canon

V. Trumpet Tune

III. Diversion

VI. Meditation

Jack Rain, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me to the throne of your grace.

Hope in God; for I shall again praise the Lord, my help and my God.

Then I will go to the altar of God and praise you with the harp, O Lord, my God.

Let us worship God!

INTROIT

“Loving Spirit” arr. William Smith Rockstro
(1823-1895)

Chancel Choir

Loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be, you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 10**

“Sing Glory to the Name of God”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Susan Schlecht

Infinite Word of truth, breathe upon us the refreshing breath of your Holy Spirit and forgive our transgressions. Cleanse our hearts of false doctrine by the winds of righteousness and truth. Purge us by the fires of your eternal judgment and we shall be pure. Shake the foundations of our jealousy and selfishness and cast us anew in the image of Christ Jesus. *(Please take time for silent confession.)* Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. Now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus we are God’s children, through faith. So, inherit the promise of God’s pardon through Christ, and live in the assurance that your sins are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE TO GOD’S GRACE—HYMN 839 (v.1)

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Please exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with those sitting around you.

PROCLAMATION

CHILDREN’S SERMON

(Children are invited to come forward to the pulpit area for the Children’s Sermon. Afterward, they may return to their parent or guardian or leave the sanctuary for Godly Play.)

*** HYMN 66**

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

PENTECOST

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson: Luke 8:26-39

(pew Bible, *New Testament*, page 82)

Second Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-15a

(pew Bible, *Old Testament*, page 404)

Rev. Ruth Elswood

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“Elijah and the Word of the Lord”

Rev. Ruth Elswood

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

"If Ye Love Me"

Thomas Tallis
(1505-1585)

Chancel Choir

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever, even the spirit of truth.

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

SENDING

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 65

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CWM RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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VII. Finale

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FPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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A digital copy of each Sunday's **11:00 a.m. order of worship and announcements** can be found on our website: www.fpcstpete.com. On the home page, click on "Sundays" then scroll down to "Sunday's Bulletin." Also online: our **Calendar of Events** is updated as we receive information, and may be accessed from our website's "Events" tab at the top of the page.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today were given to the glory of God and in memory of Rodney Glover by his family.



If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one with chancel flowers, please fill out a green envelope, available in the church

pew. Enclose your donation of \$45 with the memo "Chancel flowers." Flower envelopes may be dropped in the offering plate or delivered to the church office.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Please remember in prayer: Herbert Anderson, Ruth Bafaro, Millie Bradley, Katy Churchil, Kat Cline, Joan Evans, Julie Evans, James Gonzales, Nancy Grandoff, Ron Hall, Larry and Diane Heath, Claire Hoel, Ann Holifield, Jean Howie, Barbara Hubbell, Walter Huber, Gary Hunt, Bonnie Jackson, Shirnice Johnson, Jim and Iberia Johnston, Anne Justiss, Glenice Kelley, Sam Kent, Richard Kirsch, Michael Liguori, Tom and Marie Machuga, Dave and Pam Malone, Barbara Mauger, Gayle Moore, Camille Moran-Styles, Anne Mulder, Tamara Murphy, Del and Janet Poling, Jane Pruitt, Jean Reed, Lil Reid, Lee Scott, Jane Snoke, Laura Unger, and Rev. Alice Winters.

Please pray for our family and friends serving in the military: James Loeblein, USN; 1st LT. Taina Specie, USA; 1st LT. Liam Shelton, USA; 2nd LT. Mallory Wasik, USMC; CPT. Robert Wilson,

USAF. *Please provide us with mailing addresses for our card ministry.* If you know of others, please contact **Blanche Ganey** (bganey@fpc-stpete.org).

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Nina Glover and family on the death of husband and father Rodney Glover.

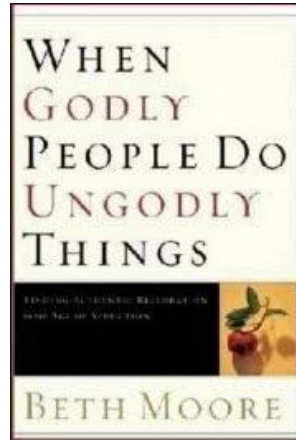
INVITE A FRIEND TO WORSHIP!

Would you like your friends to enjoy the same spiritual nourishment that you receive each Sunday? If so, then why not invite them to worship? FPC business cards are available at the Welcome Desk with the Sunday worship times printed on the back. Feel free to take one and invite someone you know to worship next Sunday!

Wear a nametag—We would like to get to know you! Nametags are printed upon request and are stored alphabetically in the racks at the entrance to the sanctuary and fellowship hall.

Hearing assists are available for use during worship in the sanctuary. If you would like to use one, please contact an usher, who will help you.

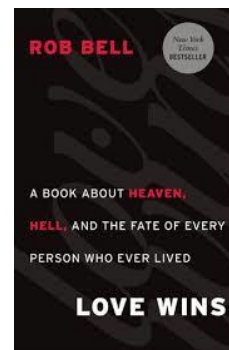
BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY TUESDAYS, JUNE 11–JULY 23 *WHEN GODLY PEOPLE DO UNGODLY THINGS*



Join us either Tuesday mornings from 9:15–11:30 a.m. or Tuesday evenings 6:30–8:45 p.m. in the youth center. Childcare is available by reservation.

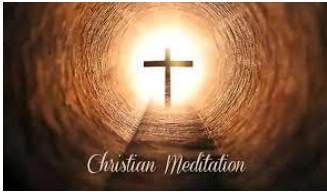
Please e-mail childcare@fpc-stpete.org or call and leave a message at 727-828-3971. If you have any questions about the study, contact April Hussung at 727-822-5332 or stapler29@aol.com.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY ROB BELL'S *LOVE WINS*



Wednesday mornings from 10–11 a.m. in room N123 from June 12–July 31. Contact Rev. **Ruth Elswood** for more details. Please bring a copy of the book with you (Amazon has the paperback for around \$12).

MEDITATION FOR CHRISTIANS



You are invited to experience meditation in a small group.

We meet on alternate Tuesday evenings. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 25, in the chapel from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. For more information, please contact group leader **Carlen Maddux** (727-504-8201 or cmaddux@maddux.com). We welcome your inquiries and presence.

WEDDINGS AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Presbyterian Church is a beautiful place for a wedding ceremony! This past year FPC has been the place for six wedding ceremonies, three of which have been for members of our church. Linda Santoro, FPC Wedding Coordinator, along with a team of dedicated church members (Lou Santoro, audio and video; Jack Rain, organist; Janis Clark and Diedra Flora, assistants; Bob Langley, custodian) work together to make each event a very special memory. If you wish to know more about having a wedding at FPC, visit the wedding page on the church website www.fpcstpete.com

SUMMER EXERCISE CLASS EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

The classes are held in rooms S102-3 at 9:05 a.m. To sign up, call the Day School at 727-894-5889.

PASTORAL CARE ARMS OF THE CHURCH



DID YOU KNOW that our church has several ministries that act as

pastoral care arms of the church?

These groups of people work hard to provide care for our church family. The groups include: the Pastoral Staff (Pastor & Parish Associate), the Deacons, Stephen Ministers, Presbyterian Women, and the Pastoral Care Action Team. If you or someone you know would like a pastoral care visit, please contact Amy in the church office (727-828-3975 or amyg@fpc-stpete.org). Confidentiality is always respected. Amy will route your request to the appropriate person/ministry. We don't want anyone falling through the cracks or feeling neglected!

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT FPC

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

Contemporary Worship	9:00 AM F'shp Hall
Contemporary Faith Class	9:45 AM N-218
Faith-Filled Families Class	9:45 AM S-100
Faith Journey Class	9:45 AM S-202
Westminster Class	9:45 AM N-123
FPC Bus-Westminster Shores	9:45 AM Church Bus
Children's Sunday School	10:00 AM S-103
Youth Sunday School	10:00 AM Youth Cntr
FPC Bus-Westminster Suncoast	10:00 AM Church Bus
FPC Bus-Presbyterian Towers	10:15 AM Church Bus
FPC Bus-Westminster Palms	10:30 AM Church Bus
Valet Parking	10:30 AM
Classic Worship with choir	11:00 AM Sanctuary
Fellowship Reception	12:00 PM F'shp Hall
Youth Group	5:00 PM Youth Cntr
Alcoholics Anonymous	8:00 PM N-123

MONDAY, JUNE 24

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM Child Care
Girl Scout Troop 094	6:00 PM S-206

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM Child Care
Beth Moore Bible Study	9:15 AM Youth Center

Church Staff Meeting	2:30 PM N-218
Praise Band Rehearsal	6:00 PM F'shp Hall
Girl Scout Troop 465	6:30 PM S-206
Beth Moore Bible Study	6:30 PM Youth Cntr
Finance Committee Meeting	6:30 PM N-218
Meditation For Christians	7:00 PM Chapel
Alcoholics Anonymous	7:30 PM N-123

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM Child Care
<i>Love Wins</i> Bible Study	10:00 AM N-123
AA for Women	7:00 PM N-123

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM Child Care
Girl Scout Troop 560	6:00 PM S-206

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM Child Care
Bible Study Lunch Bunch	12:00 PM Off-site
Girl Scout Troop 560	6:00 PM S-206

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Al-Anon Family Group	7:00 PM N-123
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Rev. Dr. Dawn Conti, Pastor ♦ Matt Clear, Director of Worship Music and the Arts ♦ Jonathan Rine, Contemporary Praise and Worship Leader ♦ Jack Rain, Organist ♦ David Aumack, Youth Coordinator ♦ Rev. Ruth Elsworth, Parish Associate ♦ Ashley Davis, Day School Director ♦ Amy Grossenbacher, Admin. Asst. ♦ Stacey Ramírez, Director of Child Care ♦ Linda Champion, Staff Accountant ♦ Blanche Ganey, Office Manager ♦ Johnny Miller, Building & Grounds Superintendent ♦ Bob Langley, Custodian

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