



First Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

August 11, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Ninth 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

“Ave verum” (Hail, true [body])

Everett Titcomb
(1884–1968)

Jack Rain, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst,
come worship a God who feeds the hungry.

In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed,
come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.

In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war,
come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.

In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness,
come worship a God who gives life meaning.

Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.

***OPENING HYMN 401**

“Here in This Place”

GATHER US IN

PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dottie Young

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *(Please take time for silent confession.)* Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:8-12) Friends, believe the Good News: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE TO GOD’S GRACE – HYMN 442

“Just as I Am, without One Plea” (v. 1)

WOODWORTH

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

Diane Zuercher

(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.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Jesus Paid it All"

arr. Brant Adams

Kevin Clark, trumpet; Jack Rain, piano

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson: Amos 5:21-24

(pew Bible, *Old Testament*, page 1046)

Second Lesson: Numbers 27:1-11

Dr. Dawn Conti

(pew Bible, *Old Testament*, page 183)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Five Sisters"

Dr. Dawn Conti

RESPONSE

A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH (unison reading, hymnal, p. 37, #2)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the breaking in of God's kingdom in our world today.

Lord God, because Jesus has taught us to trust you in all things, we hold to his word and share his plea:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where nations budget for war while Christ says, "Put [away] your sword":

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where countries waste food and covet fashion while Christ says, "I was hungry . . . I was thirsty . . .":

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where powerful governments claim their policies are heaven blessed while Scripture states that God helps the powerless:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where Christians seek the kingdom in the shape of their own church as if Christ came to build and not to break barriers:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where our prayers falter, our faith weakens, our light grows dim:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Where Jesus Christ calls us:

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Lord God, you have declared that your kingdom is among us. Open our ears to hear it, our hands to serve it, our hearts to hold it. This we pray in Jesus' name.

Amen.

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS—PRAYER AND INVITATION

OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision/My Shepherd Will Supply
My Need” arr. Brant Adams

Kevin Clark, trumpet; Jack Rain, piano

***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

***CLOSING HYMN 765** “May the God of Hope Go with Us” ARGENTINA

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE “Credo in unum Deum” (I believe in one God) Everett Titcomb

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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.

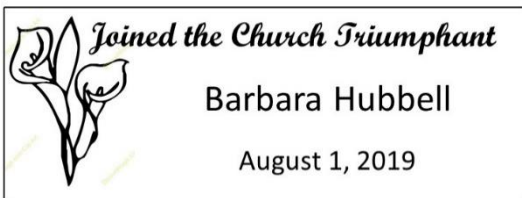
CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today were given to the glory of God and in memory of son Drew Factor by Debbie Factor.



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: Ruth Bafaro, Ron & Millie Bradley, Katy Churchil, Kat Cline, Joan Evans, Julie Evans, James Gonzales, Nancy Grandoff, Ron Hall, Larry and Diane Heath, Claire Hoel, Rhys Hogan, Ann Holifield, Jean Howie, Walter Huber, Gary Hunt, Bonnie Jackson, Shirnice Johnson, Jim and Iberia Johnston, Anne Justiss, Glenice Kelley, 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, Miriam Putney, Jean Reed, Lil Reid, Lee Scott, Jane Snoke, Nikki Stubbs, Laura Unger.

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).

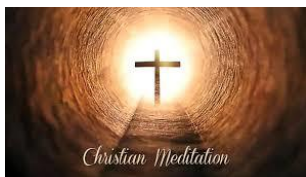
BARBARA HUBBELL MEMORIAL SERVICE

The service is Thursday August 15, at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel. There will be a reception and lunch immediately following the service in fellowship hall.

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!

MEDITATION FOR CHRISTIANS



You will feel warmly welcomed when you come to meditation in a small group. We meet on alternate

Tuesday evenings. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20, 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.

HAVE YOU PRAYED ABOUT WHERE YOU ARE NEEDED IN CHURCH?



Do you like growing in your faith and sharing that faith? Do you enjoy children? If so, your talents to lead the children's Sunday School class for ages 4 through 7 are needed. The class is currently made up of five delightful and bright children. We are praying for several volunteers who would be willing to commit to a three-month rotation. For more information, please contact **Sally Baynard** (salbay@aol.com) and/or **Pastor Dawn** (dconti@fpc-stpete.org).

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAYS, AUGUST 20—OCTOBER 8
JAMES—MERCY TRIUMPHS

Let's be inspired to put our faith into action in practical ways as we get to know both the man and the Book of James. 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.

**THIS SUNDAY, SPECIAL MUSIC
BY KEVIN CLARK, TRUMPETER**



Trumpeter Kevin D. Clark is an active freelance musician, educator, and clinician. He studied music education at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana, and trumpet performance at the University of North Texas. Kevin has toured Europe with the Texas/Florida Baroque Trumpet Ensemble and has performed in over 70 musical theater productions serving as musician, musical director, as well as on-stage performer. From 2005-2008, he was a musical director for Carnival Cruise Lines. A military veteran, he was

a ceremonial bandleader and trumpeter in the U.S. Naval Reserve. In addition, Kevin will be performing in the 2019 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade with the *Second Time Arounders Marching Band*.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS

AT FPC



The FPC MOPS group meets on

the 1st & 3rd Wednesday morning of each month from 9:15-11:30 a.m. in the Youth Center. There are usually about 25 moms who attend. Each year has a different group of moms as the children grow up! Many of these moms have children in our Day School and Mothers' Mornings Out programs, but ALL are welcome! If you are currently a mom or have one in your circle with a preschooler, please consider this wonderful group of women! For more information, visit our Facebook page (facebook.com/stpetemops) or contact Heather Page (641-1755 or heather.page@acornhealthandwellness.com).

**FPC IS NOW DOING BUSINESS WITH
GEIGER'S PEST CONTROL SERVICES**



THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT FPC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

Contemporary Worship	9:00 AM	F'ship Hall
Faith-Filled Families Class	9:45 AM	S-100
Faith Journey Class	9:45 AM	S-202
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	11:00 AM	Sanctuary
Alcoholics Anonymous	8:00 PM	N-123

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Visioning Committee Meeting	3:00 PM	Pastors Stdy
Day School Committee Meeting	4:00 PM	Day School
All Committee Gathering	6:30 PM	Youth Cntr
Committee Meetings	7:00 PM	Campus

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Faith Development Bible Study	9:30 AM	S-100
Church Staff Meeting	2:30 PM	N-218

G2 Committee Meeting	6:15 PM	Pastors Stdy
Praise Band Rehearsal	6:00 PM	F'ship Hall
Alcoholics Anonymous	7:30 PM	N-123

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Exercise Class	9:00 AM	S-103
AA for Women	7:00 PM	N-123

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

Day School Back to School		
Staff meetings	8:30 AM	Youth Cntr
Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Barbara Hubbell Memorial	11:00 AM	Chapel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

Day School Back to School		
Staff meetings	8:30 AM	Youth Cntr
Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Bible Study Lunch Bunch	12:00 PM	Off-site

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

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 ♦ Jack Rain, Organist ♦ David Aumack, Youth Coordinator ♦ Rev. Ruth Elswood, Parish Associate ♦ Ashley Davis, Day School Director ♦ Amy Grossenbacher, Admin. Asst. ♦ Stacey Ramirez, Director of Child Care ♦ Linda Champion, Staff Accountant ♦ Blanche Ganey, Office Manager ♦ Johnny Miller, Building & Grounds Superintendent ♦ Bob Langley, Custodian

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