



First Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

October 6, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time World Communion Sunday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Raymond H. Haan
(b. 1938)

Jack Rain, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Today we gather around God's table from near and far.

We are the People of God!

Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

we are brothers and sisters in Christ!

For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism.

We are One in God's Spirit!

We are one and together we remember our Lord Jesus

Come, let us worship the God of our Salvation!

INTROIT

“Let Us Break Bread Together” (*sung in Spanish*)

arr. M.W. Costen

Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

***OPENING HYMN 372**

“O for a World”

AZMON

PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dottie Young

God, you have asked us to be like Moses—standing up for your people, standing up for justice.

But too often we are like Pharaoh—holding onto power, or holding onto privilege.

God, you ask us to be like Aaron—who stood by his brother to unravel systems of oppression.

But too often we align with Pharaoh—saying “no” to change and unraveling your vision for justice and peace.

Forgive us for all the ways we stand on the wrong side of history.

Forgive us for the harm we do to your planet, and for the harm we do to your children.

Help us to be like Moses.

Forgive us when we’re like Pharaoh.

(Please take time for silent confession.) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. (Romans 8:34) Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE TO GOD’S GRACE—HYMN 450

“Be Thou My Vision” (v. 1)

SLANE

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

Gay Wasik-Zegel

(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 530

"One Bread, One Body"

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson: Exodus 5:1-2; 7:8-23

(pew Bible, *Old Testament*, page 64)

Second Lesson: Psalm 1 (read responsively)

(pew Bible, *Old Testament*, page 602)

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 14:13-21

(pew Bible, *New Testament*, page 19)

Dr. Dawn Conti

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Our Daily Bread"

Dr. Dawn Conti

RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, NICENE CREED (unison reading; hymnal, p. 34)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (*by intinction*)

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Creator God, we are amazed . . . your people sing:

Hymn 562

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

SANCTUS (Schubert)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND LORD'S PRAYER

(concluding with) **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.**

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS – PRAYER & INVITATION

OFFERTORY

“How Beautiful”

Twila Paris

How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hills to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ. How beautiful the heart that bled that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that chose to forgive and never despise. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ. And as He laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice that we will live just as he died: willing to pay the price, willing to pay the price. How beautiful the radiant Bride who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes. How beautiful when humble hearts give the fruit of pure lives so that others may live. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ. How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful, how beautiful how beautiful is the body of Christ.

***DOXOLOGY—HYMN 607**

OLD HUNDREDTH

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN 318**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

ST. PETER

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"Recessional" (Bourrée)

Raymond H. Haan

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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 Susan S. Strong by Roy Duttweiler.



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, Bob Clark, 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, Tom and Marie Machuga, Dave and Pam Malone, Barbara Mauger, Johnny Miller, Jr., Gayle Moore, Camille Moran-Styles, Howard Moser, Anne Mulder, Tamara Murphy, Peter Pav, Del and Janet Poling, Jane Pruitt, Miriam Putney, Lil Reid, Jane Snoke, Nikki Stubbs, Laura Unger.

Please pray for our family and friends serving in the military: Brian Herzik,



USA, LTC; 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).

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, October 15, 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.

8:15 COMMUNION SERVICE RESUMES NEXT SUNDAY, OCT 13



Fall is here and with it comes the resumption of our 8:15 a.m. service.

This service is held in the Chapel.

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION DISCUSSION

In response to violent gun tragedies, we are holding a study and discussion (using the “Gun Violence Prevention Congregational Toolkit” by Presbyterian Peace Fellowship as a resource), on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 a.m.

– noon, in Room N-123. If you have any questions, or if you would like to participate in this discussion, please contact **Amy** in the church office at 822-2031 or amyg@fpc-stpete.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE THIS WEEK



There are two great classes being offered on Wednesday night as well as a great home-cooked meal.

Please see insert for additional information and to RSVP.

PEACE & GLOBAL OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED TODAY



A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of

Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world.

Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in

cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

TRUNK OR TREAT CANDY COLLECTION



You will find collection baskets at the entrance to the Sanctuary and

Fellowship Hall for your individually wrapped candy donations. We want this year's Trunk or Treat to be one of the best, so please bring individually wrapped candy for our Sunday, October 27, Trunk or Treat event.

GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP TUESDAY



GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you

rebuild your life. We meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. If you wish to attend the group or have questions, please e-mail relswood@fpc-stpete.org

FAITH & FICTION RESUMES TOMORROW

Join us as we discuss *Educated* by Tara Westover. All Faith and Fiction

meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Room N-123. For a list of the books for this year, visit the church website: www.fpcstpete.com.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

● **Contemporary Faith** - 9:45 a.m. in Room N-218. Leaders are Lynn Kiehne and Vit Gulbis. This class explores how to interpret and relate biblical teachings to contemporary life.

● **Faith-Filled Families** - 9:45 a.m. in Room S-100. Coordinator is Dennis Zuercher. Christian families are often the core of a church; the strength of families and marriages/relationships is vital to the mission and vision that God has for us.

● **Faith Journey** - 9:45 a.m. in Room S-202. Coordinator is Beth Houghton. Facilitated discussion and sharing based on assigned books that relate to faith development and deeper spirituality.

● **Westminster** - 9:45 a.m. in Room N-123. Coordinator is Marilyn Mulcahy. Bible-based, teacher-led for adults of all ages (presently ages 50-99) who enjoy a special camaraderie and lively discussion on current religious/cultural issues.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT FPC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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
Godly Play	11:00 AM	S-106
Yoga with Adam	3:00 PM	F'ship Hall
Alcoholics Anonymous	8:00 PM	N-123

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Presbyterian Women		
Coordinating Team Meetings	9:00 AM	S-100
Stephen Ministry Meeting	5:00 PM	S-100
PCAT	6:00 PM	N-123
Faith & Fiction	7:30 PM	N-123

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Beth Moore Bible Study	9:15 AM	Youth Cntr
Faith Development Bible Study	9:30 AM	S-100
Griefshare Group	10:00 AM	Chapel
Church Staff Meeting	2:30 PM	N-218
Personnel & Admin Meeting	5:00 PM	Pastors Stdy

FFIM Board Meeting	5:30 PM	N-123
Praise Band Rehearsal	6:30 PM	F'ship Hall
Beth Moore Bible Study	6:30 PM	Youth Cntr
Girl Scouts Troop 465	6:30 PM	S-206
Alcoholics Anonymous	7:30 PM	N-123

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Day School Chapel	9:00 AM	F'shp Hall
Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
MOPS	9:15 AM	Youth Cntr
Gun Violence Prevention	10:30 AM	N-123
Children's Music	5:00 PM	Choir Room
WNL Dinner	5:30 PM	F'shp Hall
Bible Study with Ruth	6:00 PM	F'shp Hall
Bible Study with Dave	6:00 PM	S-100
AA for Women	7:00 PM	N-123

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Chancel Bells Rehearsal	6:00 PM	Choir Room
G2 Committee Meeting	6:15 PM	Pastors Stdy
Girl Scouts	6:30 PM	S-206
BSF Women's Bible Study	6:55 PM	F'shp Hall
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Choir Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

Men's Sunrise Bible Study	7:30 AM	N-123
Parents' Morning Out	9:00 AM	Child Care
Bible Study Lunch Bunch	12:00 PM	Off-site

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Choir Retreat	9:00 AM	Choir Room
Kids' Night Out	5:00 PM	Child Care
Al-Anon Family Group	7:00 PM	N-123



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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