

WHITE MEMORIAL — PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
STEWARDSHIP DEDICATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 22, 2017

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Greeting

Karl Zinsmeister

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

All: And also with you.

One: Let us prepare for worship.

Preparation for Worship

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Prelude

(8:15 & 9:30) *Fantasia on "Ein' Feste Burg"*

M. Praetorius (1571-1621); arr. K. Kaisershot

(11:00) *Variations on "Ein' Feste Burg"*

Cor Kee (1900-97)

Christian Welcome and Announcements

Gary Fulton

Please pass the Friendship Register to your neighbor; include all requested information.

Minute for Stewardship

(8:15 & 9:30) William Silverman, John Towles; (11:00) William Silverman

Call to Worship

adapted from Ecclesiastes 3

One: There is a time for every season and every purpose under heaven!

All: A time to be born and a time to die. A time to weep, and a time to laugh. A time to mourn and a time to dance.

One: There is a time to worship, a time to embrace and a time to serve.

All: A time to teach, to learn, to share, to discern, to rejoice, to prioritize, to care, to love and to be generous.

One: Indeed! There is a time for every season and every purpose under heaven. Brothers and sisters in faith:

All: Let us worship the Lord our God!

*Hymn 385 - *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Creative and life-giving God, we confess before you today that while we live in a world full of abundance we remain consumed by our fears of scarcity. You call us to be generous and to share from our many gifts. Renew our minds that we would think about sharing instead of possessing. By your Holy Spirit empower us to be cheerful givers, faithful doers, and loving disciples. In the name of Jesus Christ, give us the strength to stand for justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly in your grace. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response Hymn 371 - stanza 1

RENDEZ À DIEU

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Lesson - Matthew 20:1-16

pew Bible, p. 20

Anthem

(8:15 & 9:30) Psalm 130 (*Out of the Depths*)

Martin Luther (1483-1546); arr. John Ferguson (b. 1941)

Out of the depths I cry to you; O Savior, hear me calling. Out of the depths have I cried to you; let your ears consider the voice of my supplication. If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, who, Lord, could stand? For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for the Lord, whose word is my hope.

(11:00) *Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Heather Sorenson (pub. 2012)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night; waking or sleeping, thy presence my light, you shine in the night. Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always. Thou and thou only, the first in my heart, my treasure thou art. Blessed Redeemer, my treasure thou art! High king of heaven, my victory won! May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, still be my light, and you will still be my vision. Shine in the night. Be thou my vision, O Ruler of all. Be thou my light when I walk through the night.

Youth Choir; Kelly Gold, director; Lora Zinsmeister, accompanist

Old Testament Lesson - Proverbs 3:21-26

pew Bible, p. 553

(11:00) **A Time with the Younger Church**

Following our time together, four-year-olds through second graders will meet Elizabeth Britt at the door near the baptismal font, to be joined by Diane Britt from the OnPoint service, for Worship Enrichment in L215.

Sermon - *God Keeps Promises: Faith as the Antidote to Fear*

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 829** - *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

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(8:15) **Installation of Officers**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

(8:15 & 11:00) Robert Galloway; (9:30) Gloria Johnson

**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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings and Dedication of Commitment Cards

After the offering plate is passed in your pew, you are invited to come forward down the center aisle with your pledge card to place it in the basket and to dedicate yourself to Christ's ministry.

Offertory Anthem

(8:15 & 9:30) *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

M. Luther; arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

See Hymn 275.

(11:00) *I Believe*

Mark A. Miller (pub. 2012)

I believe in the sun, even when it's not shining. I believe in love, even when I don't feel it. I believe in God, even when God is silent.

Youth Choir

***Offertory Response Hymn 712** - stanza 3

FOREST GREEN

***Affirmation of Faith**

adapted from Romans 8

One: What then are we to say? If God is for us, who is against us?

All: Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn 826** - *Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

***Charge and Benediction**

**ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.*

***Chiming of the Trinity**

The worship service ends with the Chiming of the Trinity. Please be mindful of those who remain to listen to the postlude.

***Postlude**

(8:15 & 9:30) *Fantasia on "Ein' Feste Burg"*

M. Luther; arr. Charles Evans

(11:00) *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of William Bryan Pittman by his family.

Greeters: 9:30 - Susie Jackson, Carol Holt, Dana Hunt, Sid Hunt, Christian Fellowship Class, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Jane Chiles, Charlotte Grant, Meg Groves.

Ushers: 8:15 - Eric Miller, chair, Mary Ward Boerner, Bruce Broadbelt, Steve Cadwallader, Jane Elkins, Gwinn Moss; 9:30 - Reed Fountain, chair, Greg Keams, William Kimbrell, Kirk Kirkland, Jerri Lemanski, Brandy Vannoy; 11:00 - Reed Fountain, chair, Garrison Miller, Kelly Miller, Larry Hamilton, Bill Neustadt, Ginger Neustadt.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - William Harris; 9:30 - Owen Mickle; 11:00 - Weatherly Tierney.

Treasurer's Assistants: Geff Bitler, Carter Grimes.

Shuttle Drivers: Bryan Fox, Mel Honeycutt.

Elders and Deacons to be Ordained and Installed at the 8:15 a.m. Service:

Elders: Nan Hannah, Marshall Wall; **Deacons:** Caroline McCullen.

On a Journey to Peace for Israel-Palestine: An Interfaith Program

Join us today at 3:00 p.m. at St. Frances United Methodist Church in Cary as we will welcome Daoud Nasser, a Palestinian from Tent of Nations Farm near Bethlehem in the West Bank. He will speak about his family's challenges in daily living, human rights concerns and peace-building efforts. The Reverend Dr. Mae Elise Cannon, executive director of Churches for Middle East Peace, will relate the mission of her organization in peace and reconciliation efforts and working with the US government policy makers to promote a just and lasting peace. If you are interested in transportation, contact Anna Hattaway at 919-781-4142 or Judy McConnell at 919-510-4246. No reservations are needed.

Reformation Sunday Worship Schedule

On October 29, we will celebrate 500 years of the Reformation. We will worship together at 8:00 a.m.*, 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. Pickard Hall will be used as overflow for this special day. *Please note the time change from 8:15 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday Hunger Offering Next Sunday, October 29

Next Sunday's Hunger Offering collection will help provide grants to hunger agencies in our Presbytery and is one way to make a difference in the lives of those who struggle with food insecurity.

2017 Memorial Evensong Program

Any member wishing to have a relative or friend memorialized in the 2017 Memorial Evensong Program, please contact Jody Grayson at 834-3425, ext. 204, by October 24.

Preparing for Advent Contemplative Retreat

Join us November 28 from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. for a day of Advent preparation, contemplative prayer and solitude at Joslin House and Garden in the heart of Raleigh. There will be time for personal reflection, reading, walking the trails and enjoying the gardens before the rush of the Christmas season. Space is limited to 20 people. Cost is \$35. Register at whitememorial.org/register.

In the Church Triumphant

Genevieve (Gene) Heafner Moore – October 14, 2017

WMPC family members: sons and daughters-in-law, Jody and Martha Moore and Patrick and Kay Moore;
and granddaughter and husband, Janie and Warren Hynson.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC(USA)

We are glad you are worshipping with us.
Visiting? Stop by the Welcome Table in Jane Bell
Gathering Space for information, directions and a
friendly greeting. New members are received after a
one-day Beginnings Class.
Visit whitememorial.org/join
or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206
for details, class dates and registration.

THINGS TO KNOW:

- **Shuttle buses** run every Sunday at five- to ten-minute intervals, 8:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., from Carolina Place, 2626 Glenwood Avenue, across from Glenwood Village Shopping Center.
- **Restrooms** are located in the Luther Building immediately behind the sanctuary/Jane Bell Gathering Space.
- **Childcare** is available for children up to four years old.
- **Church School** is offered at 9:30 a.m. for all ages.
- **Refreshments** are served in Carol Copeland Courtyard or Pickard Hall on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.
- **Hearing Assistance:** The sanctuary has a loop hearing aid system and an FM system.
- **Live-streamed services** are at whitememorial.org.
- **Radio,** WPIF 680 AM, every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m.: today, November 5 and 19.
- **Bulletins** left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation. WMPC is a certified Earth Care congregation of the PC(USA).
- **We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.**

PASTORAL & PROGRAM STAFF:

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Sunday, October 22 (*Proverbs 3:21-26; Matthew 20:1-16*)

- Stewardship Dedication Sunday
- Worship (8:15, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary; 11:00 a.m. - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)
- 9:30 a.m. - OnPoint House Band (Pickard)
- 11:00 a.m. - Officer Installation Make-Up (Sanctuary); Cancer Companions Alumnae (C203)
- 2:00 p.m. - CROP Walk Registration (Off Site); Youth Gather to Go to CROP Walk (Courtyard)
- 3:00 p.m. - On a Journey to Peace for Israel-Palestine (Off Site)
- 4:30 p.m. - Cancer Companions Support Group (C203)
- 5:00 p.m. - Middle/High School Sabbath Sunday (Off Site); Middle/High School Coffee and Spirituality (K100)
- 6:45 p.m. - Youth Senior Leadership Team (K100)

Monday, October 23 (*Ps. 57; Jer. 44:1-14; 1 Cor. 15:30-41; Matt. 11:16-24*)

- 1:00 p.m. - Blood Drive (Pickard)
- 5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200)
- 6:45 p.m. - Ross Bible Study (C203)
- 7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100); Handbell Choir (S300)
- 8:00 p.m. - Adult Basketball (Pickard)

Tuesday, October 24 (*Ps. 54; Lam. 1:1-12; 1 Cor. 15:41-50; Matt. 11:25-30*)

- 6:30 a.m. - High School Prayer Breakfast (Bruegger's Bagels, Creedmoor Rd.)
- 7:00 a.m. - Men's/Women's Breakfast Bible Study (Geneva/K100)
- 8:30 a.m. - Yoga for Exercise (C100)
- 9:30 a.m. - Fit after Fifty (Pickard); God Talk (W400)
- 11:00 a.m. - Study: Short Stories by Jesus (C103)
- 3:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)
- 6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva)
- 7:00 p.m. - Seasonal/Chancel Choir (L304, S300); Personnel Committee (K200); Weekday School Committee (C204)
- 7:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 (Pickard)

Wednesday, October 25 (*Ps. 65; Lam. 2:8-15; 1 Cor. 15:51-58; Matt. 12:1-14*)

- 6:45 a.m. - High School Prayer Breakfast (Chick-Fil-A, Cameron Village)
- 8:00 a.m. - StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100)
- 10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga (C200)
- 11:15 a.m. - Yin Yoga (C200)
- 4:30 p.m. - Carol Choir (L304); Joyful Noise Choir (S300); Cherub Choir (L311)
- 5:00 p.m. - Wednesdays Together Dinner (Pickard)
- 6:00 p.m. - Trunk or Treat (Chapel Parking Lot); Education & Nurture Committee (C301)
- 6:30 p.m. - Disciple I (K307); Healing Prayer (Chapel)
- 6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)
- 7:00 p.m. - Young Adult Bible Study (C102); Outreach Committee (W400)
- 8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

Thursday, October 26 (*Ps. 143; Ezra 1:1-11; 1 Cor. 16:1-9; Matt. 12:15-21*)

- 8:00 a.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel); StepUp Jobs Workshop (C100)
- 9:15 a.m. - Library Committee (C203)
- 9:30 a.m. - Lilies of the Field Bible Study (C301); Thursday Morning Bible Study (W400) T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200)
- 10:45 a.m. - Keenager Program: *IBM Goes to the Grocery Store* (K100)
- noon - Keenager Lunch (Geneva)
- 12:30 p.m. - Praying Our Church Into Its Future (Chapel)
- 1:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)
- 6:00 p.m. - Concert Series Committee (C203)
- 7:00 p.m. - Thursday Evening Bible Study (C301); Seasonal/Sanctuary Choir (S300)
- 7:30 p.m. - Webelo Scouts (K304-307)

Friday, October 27 (*Ps. 88; Ezra 3:1-13; 1 Cor. 16:10-24; Matt. 12:22-32*)

- 8:00 a.m. - StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100); We StepUp Progress Breakfast (K100)
- 9:30 a.m. - Fit After Fifty (Pickard)
- 8:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

Saturday, October 28 (*Ps. 122; Ezra 4:7, 11-24; Phileman 1-25; Matt. 12:33-42*)

- 8:30 a.m. - Sunday School Setup (Classrooms)
- 9:00 a.m. - Presbytery Meeting: First Church, Goldsboro (Off Site)
- 10:00 a.m. - Seasonal Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)