

# First Presbyterian Church

Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,  
We seek to know God's love and share it  
With each other, our community, and the world.  
We invite you to join us in this journey  
of discipleship!*

Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor

## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion

World Communion Sunday

October 1, 2017

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Prelude in D Minor"  
J.S. Bach

#### GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

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

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Throughout God's world this day, Christian churches are celebrating Communion as one family.

**Our sisters and brothers in Africa, Europe, South America, Asia and in all lands and countries join us in lifting the bread of life and the cup of salvation.**

In Christ's love there is no East, no West, no North, no South, but only one Spirit of hope, love, and peace for all.

**Praise be to Christ our Savior!**

Let us worship God.

\*HYMN #15 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

#### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on us, Lord: you have set your way before us, and we tremble to see it. It is not just suffering we are afraid to bear, but also the weight of your call; your**

**command to excel in love, rejoice in hope, and live peaceably with all--your appeal to overcome evil with good. Who are we to live in such a way? We do not merit your confidence. Merciful God, forgive our fear and faithlessness. Help us to see what you see, to follow where you go, and to live in awe at your presence, which is our help and encouragement.**

**Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...**

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:1-14 (p. 918)

ANTHEM "One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"  
C. Courtney

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE "With Grateful Heart  
My Thanks I Bring"

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10:13-16 (p. 822)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Can You Play?"

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*  
(*Hymnal p.35*)

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin**

**Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Song For Japan"  
Stephen Verhelst  
Ben Hickson, trombone

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### 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.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

RESPONSE #583 (2x)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!**

**Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.

RESPONSE #601 "Amen"

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

NATIVE AMERICAN HYMN Leo Adames

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN #300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Prelude in D Major"  
J.S. Bach

**WORSHIP NOTES**

Laura Black is today's liturgist.  
Tabitha Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.  
Carolyn Riggins is interim Music Director  
\*Please stand if you are able.

**THIS WEEK AT FPC**

**Sunday, October 1**  
9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes  
Young Children's Music (until 9:15)  
4:00pm Middle/High School groups at AOC  
**Monday, October 2**  
8:00am Men's Quarterly Breakfast (see announcement)  
5:00pm Theology on Tap at Shoney's  
**Tuesday, October 3**  
10:00am Morning Circle  
5:30pm Yoga  
**Wednesday, October 4**  
10:00am Bible Study group meets in the library  
11:15am Prayer Circle  
6:00pm New Testament Greek class  
Handbells  
6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A  
7:00pm Adult Choir  
**Thursday, October 5**  
9:00am Yoga  
Staff Meeting  
10a-12n/1p-3p Disciple Classes  
**Saturday, October 7**  
4:30pm Louisiana Saturday Nite (see announcement)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEN'S QUARTERLY BREAKFAST** All men, all ages, are invited to participate in our Quarterly Men's Breakfast on **Monday, October 2 at 8:00am** at Shoney's on the corner of Kraft and 2nd Streets to talk about life and faith! A brief devotional follows the meal



**LOAVES & FISHES** Save the Date!

The major fundraiser for Loaves & Fishes, **LOUISIANA SATURDAY NITE, is October 7 from 4:30-7:00pm** at the L&F Soup Kitchen located at the FPC Activities Center (corner of Foster and Third). There will be a delicious Louisiana Cajun meal along with music. Dinner includes Chicken and Andouille Sausage Gumbo with rice, slaw, roll, praline and a drink. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available at the church office, Eventbrite or through Charlie Keene, Tam Long, Issac Wright, Jill Crow or Diane Miner. We will be available before and after church service *today, October 1, outside the church* to sell tickets. For more ticket and sponsor information go to [loavesandfishestn.org](http://loavesandfishestn.org) or [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com). Remember you can dine in or carry out!

**RECIPES FOR PW COOKBOOK** are still being accepted and can be delivered to the church office and placed in the basket in Monica's office. Thank you.

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

October 9-13 CMCSS Fall Break/No Preschool  
October 9 OFFICE CLOSED in honor of Columbus Day  
October 27-29 Youth Fall Retreat  
October 29 Congregational Meeting  
November 5 All Saint's Day  
Daylight Savings time ends  
November 10 OFFICE CLOSED in honor of Veterans Day (11/11)  
November 12 Leadership Dinner  
November 23 Thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED  
November 24 OFFICE CLOSED for Thanksgiving

**MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD**

**Please complete and place in offering plate**  
10:00am Service

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Member(s)  Visitor(s)  
 Members please indicate any changes if info.  
Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):  
Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study  
Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Wifi  
To connect and use Wifi while you are in the building:

Network: FPCGuest  
Password: Welcome2fpc

**HELP WANTED!**

The Bicentennial Steering Committee solicits your help! We need volunteers for these sub-committees: Remembrance, Celebration, and Vision. Forms are available in the church office. Thank you.