



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

Day of Pentecost

May 20, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Come thou fount of every blessing"
arr. Rice
Kenneth Williams

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.

And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

The Spirit helps us in our weakness.

Interceding with sighs too deep for words.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*HYMN #279 "Come, Holy Spirit"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You send your Word to enliven us, yet we remain dry bones. You send your Spirit to empower us, yet we fail to dream new dreams. Forgive us, God of grace. Lead us according to your way, guide us into

your truth, and deliver us from death to life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 Hebrews 11:8-16 (p. 977)

ANTHEM "Come Thou Almighty King"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 12:1-9 (p. 8)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Called to Bless"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #292 "As the Wind Song"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Scots Confession* (3.05)

We most surely believe that God preserved, instructed, multiplied, honored, adorned, and called from death to life his Kirk in all ages since Adam until the coming of Christ Jesus in the flesh. For he called Abraham from his father's country, instructed him, and multiplied his seed; he marvelously preserved him, and more marvelously delivered his seed from the bondage and tyranny of Pharaoh; to them he gave his laws,

constitutions, and ceremonies; to them he gave the land of Canaan; after he had given them judges, and afterwards Saul, he gave David to be king, to whom he gave promise that of the fruit of his loins should one sit forever upon his royal throne. To this same people from time to time he sent prophets, to recall them to the right way of their God, from which sometimes they strayed by idolatry. And although, because of their stubborn contempt for righteousness he was compelled to give them into the hands of their enemies, as had previously been threatened by the mouth of Moses, so that the holy city was destroyed, the temple burned with fire, and the whole land desolate for seventy years, yet in mercy he restored them again to Jerusalem, where the city and temple were rebuilt, and they endured against all temptations and assaults of Satan till the Messiah came according to the promise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(You may give online at <http://www.fpccarkville.org/giving>)

THE OFFERTORY "My Lord, What a Morning"
Handbells
Ben Hinson, trombone

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #366 "Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"
Thomas Williams

WORSHIP NOTES

Vicki Wallace is today's liturgist.

Leong Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.

Carolyn Riggins is Directing Music today

Kenneth Williams, Organist

*Please stand if you are able.

**Children's Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, May 20

9:00am **Young Children's Music**

Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

11:00am **Teacher Appreciation Lunch**

11:45am **VBS Training**

6:00pm **Session**

Monday, May 21

5:00pm **Theology on Tap @ Shoney's**

Tuesday, May 22

5:00pm **Yoga**

Wednesday, May 23

10:00am **Bible Study** group meets in the library

6:00pm **Handbells**

6:00 **Greek Class**

6:30pm **Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A**

7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, May 24

9:00am **Staff Meeting**

We would like to recognize and thank our active duty, retired military personnel and veterans on Sunday May 27. We also ask that if you are active duty to please wear your dress blues or greens to church May 27. We are proud to have you as members of our congregation!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PENTECOST SUNDAY is today. The Mission committee would like for you to take a moment to consider the meaning of Pentecost and God's call to all people. There is an envelope in the bulletin for the Pentecost Special offering. One of our own, Sarah Hedstrom, will be receiving benefits from this offering to help continue her studies in social work. Sarah has heard God's call to go to Ghana, Africa and the City of Refuge Ministries. Please think of Sarah and her work as you prepare your hearts Pentecost Sunday. God's voice can come with tongues of fire or a gentle whisper. Are you listening?

VBS 2018 has been set for **July 9-13**. The theme this year is **Rolling River Rampage**. Mark your calendars, tell your friends, and come join us! Daycare is available.

We are again partnering with **PROJECT TRANSFORMATION** this summer. This was the Summer reading/mentoring program run by college interns through the Methodist church. Our week of reading will be **June 25-28, Monday-Thursday**. Like last year you may participate one, two, three or all 4 days. Please let Kris Foust (931-216-7801 or hedstromkris3@gmail.com) know how you would like to participate. **We would like to recruit more men, the boys in the program really need good male role models.** It will likely be the most rewarding volunteer opportunity you will experience all summer. Thank you.

ONLINE GIVING

Thanks to the hard work of our finance committee, Amy and Leong Lee, and IT intern Mariah Carnahan, we are now able to offer online giving using credit or debit card. Your tithes and offerings to the church are greatly appreciated and vital for accomplishing the ongoing mission of FPC.

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 if this is a change.

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: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

May 28 Memorial Day-Office Closed

June 25 Project Transformation (see announcement)

Let's welcome **Anita Randolph** to our FPC Staff. Anita will be working in the afternoons 1-5, Monday-Thursday. One of Anita's duties will be working on congregational care, to include prayer requests, FMN's, and working with committees involved with congregational care. If you could let Anita know of FMN's information by Thursday afternoon, that would be helpful.

Our 200th birthday invites us:

To **REFLECT** on the legacies, we enjoy as gifts from previous generations of our congregation.

To **REJOICE** with our extended family as we gather to celebrate with special events during a year-long homecoming for our congregation.

To **RENEW** our commitment to build on the foundation that we have received.

