



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 24, 2018, 10:30 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Worship begins when the first person arrives. Please worship silently through the prelude.

The congregation reads or sings parts in bold.

*Please stand if able

In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.

We express gratitude that through God's grace and Christ's giving of himself on the cross we are forgiven and restored to God and one

The Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.

We invite young children to come to the front at this time.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The story of the people of Israel is characterized by God revealing Godself in the unexpected. One of the most famous instances of this in the biblical narrative is the young shepherd boy David and his surprise triumph over the mighty giant Goliath. In Mark's gospel, Jesus stills the chaotic waters during a windstorm, revealing his power over creation and calming his terrified disciples. Christian faith is full of the unexpected as God often uses the most unlikely of people and unpromising of situations to build our faith in him.

PRELUDE

Adagio in E Major

Frank Bridge

Andante Tranquillo (Lonely the Boat) Korean Hymn/Michael Burkhardt
from *The Balboa Park Organ Suite*

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Robert Martin

(Please circulate the friendship forms found in the aisle seats.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Randy Longenecker

L: Among the poor, among the proud,

P: among the persecuted, among the privileged,

L: Christ is coming to make all things new.

P: In the private house, in the public place,

L: in the wedding feast, in the judgment hall,

P: Christ is coming to make all things new.

L: With a gentle touch, with an angry word,

P: with a clear conscience, with burning love,

L: Christ is coming to make all things new.

P: That the kingdom might come, that the world might believe,

L: that the powerful might stumble, that the hidden might be seen,

P: Christ is coming to make all things new.

*HYMN 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

**Awe inspiring and compassionate God,
you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy,
but we have not loved you.**

You constantly call us, but we do not listen.

**You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.**

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, as you come to us in mercy,

we repent in spirit and in truth,

admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness

through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

L: Friends, believe the good news.

P. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri - 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen and Amen.

*Passing the Peace and Greetings

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kirsten Trachsel

(Children are encouraged to go downstairs for music time after the Children's Moment. Younger children thru K may remain in the nursery and older children will return to the worship service.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Amazing Grace

Newton

Iris Cooke - violin, Kelly Cooke - guitar

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts, whereby we call you Father: give us grace not only to hear, but to live out your Word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURES Psalm 133 (page 575 in pew Bible)
Mark 4:35-41 (page 39 in pew Bible)

Liturgist Longenecker
Rev. Martin

L. This is the Word of the Lord!
P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Sit Down, You’re Rocking the Boat

Rev. Robert Martin

***HYMN 382**

Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door

SOMEBODY’S KNOCKIN’

On behalf of the congregation, the Pastor expresses the corporate prayers of the congregation. These prayers are for world, local and personal concerns.

Doxology literally means “words of glory.” Doxologies have long been used by Jews and Christians to praise God. Here we honor and thank God “from whom all blessings flow.”

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORDS PRAYER

Rev. Martin

OFFERING / OFFERTORY *Our God Our Help in Ages Past*

Paul Manz

***Doxology - 592 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. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (In Unison)

In the gifts we bring today – heart and mind, time and treasure – may we be fashioned more fully in your image, that the world might know your love. Amen.

***HYMN 286**

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

ST. BRIDE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

The Church's One Foundation

David Cherwien

*The rose this morning celebrates the birth of Oliver James Franz, born June 15th
Son of Carl and Nicole Franz a brother to Katy
Grandparents: Joe Essman and Bill and Kathy Franz*

**You can watch a
broadcast of FPC
Worship service on
Athens Community
Television.
Schedule**

*9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
Monday through Friday
and
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday.*

Minister: Rev. Robert E. Martin
CE Coordinator and Handbell Director: Kirsten Trachsel
Administrative Assistant: Jane Baker

Clerk of Session: Andrew Stuart
Organist: Janice Robison
Choir Director: David Tadlock

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**REVISED COMMON
LECTIONARY**

This lectionary provides a three-year series of readings for Sunday starting with the season of Advent, four weeks before Christmas Day.

The three year cycle is split into years – A,B, and C. For each Sunday and festival, three readings and a psalm are suggested and include: a Gospel reading, an Old Testament reading, and a New Testament reading.

The lectionary is a work of The Consultation on Common Texts, an ecumenical consultation

of liturgical scholars and denominational representatives from the United States and Canada, who produce liturgical texts for use in common by North American Christian Churches.

Each year of the Revised Common Lectionary centers on one of the synoptic Gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke. The Gospel of John is read periodically in all three years and is especially frequent in Year B.

Revised Common Lectionary Readings for Sunday, June 24, 2018, the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49

Psalm 133

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

First Reading I Samuel 17

.....38Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. 39David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. 40Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.41The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. 42When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. 43The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." 45But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46This very day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, 47and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hand."48When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. 49David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

1As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! 3We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, 4but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, 5beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; 6by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, 7truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; 8in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; 9as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; 10as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.11We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. 12There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. 13In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also.

Worshipping With Children

- * AFPC welcomes children in the worship service, whether in the pews or in the Children's Corner.
- * Nursery is available for infant thru age 6 downstairs.
- * Please tell childcare staff about any allergies.
- * Bathrooms are located at the top of the stairs to the overflow area and in Fellowship Hall.
- * Changing tables are located in the nursery and upstairs restroom.
- * All children are welcome to attend the church service with their families or the childcare staff until after the Children's Moment.

Deacon of the Month - Linda Parsons - A friend to call in time of need

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Chancel Prep - Mary Costello

Ushers - Margaret Bourke and Mary Costello

Liturgist - Randy Longenecker

Acolytes - Alexis Gyftopoulos and Abbey Heinrich

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**Church Activities for the Week**

**SUNDAY, June 24th - Food Pantry Sunday**

10:00 A.M. - Trail Mix assembly, fellowship hall  
10:30 A.M. - Worship, Sanctuary  
Following Children's Moment - Children's Church, classrooms  
11:30 A.M. - Children's crafts, classroom 3  
11:30 A.M. - Coffee and fellowship, fellowship hall  
11:35 A.M. - Trail Mix assembly, fellowship hall

**MON., 25th** - Noon - Al-Anon, library

**TUES., 26th** - Noon - Bible study, library

**WED., 27th** - 7:00 A.M. - AA, library

Noon - Hanging Rock meeting, Jackson  
7:00 P.M. - OU "Under the Elms" concert, College Green - This week features John Schlabach and Josh Nightingale, trumpet. Special collaboration with Athena Cinema Downtown featuring music from stage and screen, and a special free screening of the 1925 Lon Chaney silent film classic "The Phantom of the Opera" at the Athena, 8:00 p.m.  
Following the Concert - Ice cream social, front porch of Putnam House

**SAT., 30th** - 9:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M. - Children's Summer Retreat

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SUNDAY, July 1st - Food Pantry Sunday

10:30 A.M. - Communion by Intinction during Worship, Sanctuary
Following Children's Moment - Children's Church, classrooms
11:30 A.M. - Children's crafts, classroom 3
11:30 A.M. - Coffee and fellowship, fellowship hall

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**Summer Ice Cream Socials** - The Concert Under the Elms Wednesday evenings. Ice cream socials follow the concerts and are held on the front porch of Putnam House (church office)

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Children's Summer Retreat Day - FPC's "Children's Retreat Day" will be June 30th from 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The focus will be "Serving Each Other". Those attending will participate in service activities, explore ways to pray for each other, learn what the Bible tells everyone about service and prayer, and go out in the community to put faith into action. **Please RSVP to Kirsten Trachsel at ktrachsel1@gmail.com.** Lunch provided. Parent involvement is encouraged, but not required. All ages are invited.

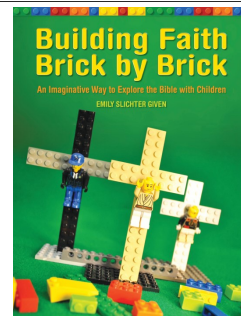
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**Summer Children's Church** will be utilizing the book "Building Faith Brick by Brick" by Emily Given. The children will create their own settings of Bible stories to help add meaning and understanding to the lessons. All of the morning's creations will be on exhibit after worship in Fellowship Hall. Make sure to check them out and engage the children in conversation about what they have built and what it means to them!

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Canoeing and Fellowship at Dow Lake. Mark your calendars for July 21st. Meet at 6:00 p.m. for canoeing. Not into canoeing? Then come for fellowship, enjoying natures and snacks. More info, and RSVP's to come.

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**Dinner and "Going Deeper" Bible Study** - Tuesday, July 24th - Going Deeper Bible Study and Dinner, fellowship hall

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Fourth Sunday Food Pantry Sunday - Fourth Sunday of each month. Canned goods, non-perishables and monetary donations are always needed and welcomed. Use the brown envelopes on the back of the pew (check Food Pantry) for monetary donations. Food donations can be dropped off at the church or church office. Contact Dan Neason (592-2823), FPC representative, for more info.

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**Trail Mix Ministry Assembly** - Snack bags are assembled the fourth Sunday of each month, 10:00-10:20 a.m. and 11:35 a.m.-Noon in Fellowship Hall. Monetary (use the brown giving envelopes and mark Trail Mix on it). In kind donations are appreciated. June's date is today, June 24th and July's is July 22nd.



Summer Children's Church  
"Building Faith Brick by  
Brick"  
(see below for more info)