

# Service for the Lord's Day

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017

11:00 A.M.

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

### THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

#### GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with your spirit.**

#### PRELUDE

"Psalm-Prelude for Organ - Set I - No. 1"

- Herbert Howells

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 40:1-8

I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

**He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.**

Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

**You have multiplied, O Lord my God, Your wondrous deeds and Your thoughts toward us;  
none can compare with You. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than  
can be counted.**

Sacrifice and offering You do not desire, but You have given me an open ear.  
Burnt offering and sin offering You have not required.

**Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do Your  
will, O my God; Your law is within my heart."**

#### \*HYMN 410

*God is Calling Through the Whisper*

W ZLOBIE LEZY

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Ever-faithful God, we confess that we have not been faithful to You. We make self-serving  
choices rather than Christ-like sacrifices. Our commitment has been shallow; our love has  
been narrow. Forgive us, Gracious God, and help us to live our lives whole-heartedly for  
You. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

## RESPONSE

Em D Em Am Em D Em  
You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Am D C D Em C Em  
You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

Em D G Am Em D E  
You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.**

## \*RESPONSE

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Glo-ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly  
Spir-it, as it was in the be-gin-ning, is  
now, and will be for ev-er. A-men, a - men, a - men.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Children age 4 through first grade are invited to be escorted to "Kids' Kirk," an age-appropriate worship and learning opportunity, in Room 32 of the Educational Building.*

## \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANTHEM:***Canticle of Hope*

Joseph Martin

Adapted from Isaiah 25:

*Lord, you are God, perfect in holiness. Lord, you are God of the needy and the poor; a sure defender, you are our refuge. You are the Giver, You are Jehovah. You are the God who restores. Lord, you are God, reigning in righteousness. Lord, you are God in the time of our distress. We call on you, our sure salvation. Lord, you are faithful. You are the God who restores. Lord, you are God, ruling in gentleness. You wipe away each tear. You hear every prayer. You give us comfort. You touch our hearts and calm our fears. You are eternal, Alpha and Omega. We place our hope in you alone. Lord, you are God in our faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!*

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD****PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION****OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Psalm 40:1-8

Pew Bible p. 513

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Romans 12:1-2

Pew Bible p. 161

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.

The Word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.****SERMON**

“Living Sacrifice”

Rev. Elizabeth Patrick

**\*HYMN 697***Take My Life*

HENDON

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD****\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Declaration of Faith, Chapter 9:2

*Christ calls us to live in disciplined freedom:*

Jesus came to set people free by the power of the gospel. In so doing he did not abolish, but fulfilled the law and the prophets. Through his teaching and the teaching of the apostles he showed what it is to be free and obedient. We declare Christ has freed us from trying to save ourselves by obeying the law. He restores to us God's law as a gift and delight. The law describes concretely the shape of our freedom. When we accept its discipline, it keeps our personal lives from being chaotic and increases our effectiveness in the church's mission.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer (*debt/debtors*)

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

Offertory

*"Serenade for Organ"*

Derek Bourgeois, Opus 22

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

\*Prayer of the Day

**Almighty God: you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.  
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the  
Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*HYMN 703

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

ST. CATHERINE

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*May the God of Hope Go with Us*

Hymn 765

**May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;  
working for a world that's new; faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

\*POSTLUDE

*"Paeon"*

- Herbert Howells

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Worship Notes – Week of August 13, 2017

**We welcome all visitors to our worship today!** Thank you for choosing to be a part of our service today. Please help us to know you better by providing your name and address in the Fellowship Register, as well as indicating if you are visiting for the first time. Thank you very much!

**Our Guest Preacher:** Reverend Elizabeth Patrick, an ordained pastor of the Presbyterian Church (USA), is a graduate of Erskine College, Duke Law School, and Princeton Seminary. Elizabeth served as solo pastor of Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Sandy Springs, South Carolina before moving to Bristol to marry Dr. Bill Linderman, Professor of Mathematics at King University. Since moving to Bristol in 2008, Elizabeth has served as pulpit supply at a number of churches in the Tri-Cities and beyond. Currently, Elizabeth spends most of her time building Lego creations, breaking up squabbles, and otherwise caring for sons Henry (age 4) and Ben (age 3).

**Children and Worship:** Our church nursery welcomes children from birth through age 3 during worship. It is located in the Education Wing of the church; please ask an usher to guide you there. For children from age 4 through 1st grade, we offer “Kids’ Kirk,” an age-appropriate worship and learning opportunity. Children are escorted from the worship service with their leaders to Room 32 of the Education Wing, where parents pick them up after worship.

**Music Notes:** Today’s anthem is a text taken from Isaiah 25 and reminds us of the omnipresence of God. The composer Joseph Martin (b. 1959) is a native of North Carolina, earned his Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance at Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. Subsequently he earned a Master of Music degree in Piano Performance at the University of Texas, Austin. Joseph taught for five years in the Piano Pedagogy Department of the University of Texas. He is a member of the staff of Shawnee Press as Director of Sacred Publications, with responsibilities for overseeing the editorial and creative direction of the company’s sacred publications and also coordinating the recording and production aspects of future sacred publishing efforts. Joseph has performed solo piano recitals and has been the featured artist with symphony orchestras in the United States and Mexico. He now devotes his efforts to playing in churches and for conferences of church musicians. Along with Mark Hayes and David Angerman, Joseph has co-authored a fully graded, progressive piano method for the Christian student called *Keys for the Kingdom*. Joseph now lives in Austin, Texas with his wife and two children.

## Serving During Today’s Worship

### Ushers

Fred & Heidi Harkleroad  
Han & Noah Ong

### Lay Reader

Karen Boone

### Audio

Matt & Erin Kingsley

### Music Participants

Sanctuary Choir

### Locking/Unlocking

Kevin Buck

**Organist Footnotes:** Herbert Norman Howells (1892-1983) was an English composer, organist, and teacher, best known for his Anglican church music. His first Psalm Prelude, Op. 32, No. 1 (Prelude) was composed in 1915, and is a sweeping, romantic piece, conveying a multitude of rapidly changing emotions. It is based on Psalm 34, verse 6: "This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble."

Howells composed "Paeon" (Postlude) in 1940, and it was published in 1953 in the collection "Six Pieces for Organ" (No. 6).

Fellow Englishman, Derek Bourgeois (b. 1941) wrote "Serenade for Organ" (Offertory) for his own wedding, to be played by the organist as the guests left the ceremony. Not wishing to allow them the luxury of proceeding in an orderly 2/4 time, the composer wrote the work in 11/8 time, and in case anyone felt too comfortable, he changed it to 13/8 time in the middle!

**Hearing assistance devices**, and individual pew cushions are available in the narthex. Speakers broadcasting the sanctuary worship service are in the conference room for worshippers needing to leave the sanctuary. Please ask an usher.

### **Birthday Prayer Fellowship**

<b>August 13</b>	<b>Katie Stigers</b>
<b>August 14</b>	<b>Bettie Hite, Nora McCracken</b>
<b>August 17</b>	<b>Jane Nickels, John Ratliff</b>
<b>August 18</b>	<b>Riley McCracken, Jack Southerland</b>

### **This Week at FPC**

#### **Sunday, August 13**

8:30 a.m. Worship, Fellowship Hall  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. Middle School Fellowship  
Kickoff, Outside  
6:00 p.m. High School Fellowship  
Kickoff, Outside

#### **Monday, August 14**

7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds, Room 117  
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee, Room 123

#### **Tuesday, August 15**

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 117  
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Group  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 3

#### **Wednesday, August 16**

5:15 p.m. Baby & Toddler Care  
5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner  
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Kids  
6:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating, Room 117  
6:15 p.m. Adult Learning, Fellowship Hall  
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal,  
Room 202  
7:30 p.m. 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal

#### **Thursday, August 17**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor  
12:00 p.m. Noon Bible Study, Room 117