

*Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name...(our silent prayers of confession) **Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon:

One: Sisters and Brothers, hear this good news!
Who is in a position to condemn us? Only Christ.
And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life is gone and a new life has begun.
Let us all believe this good news!
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*Gloria Patri

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. Amen.

*The Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!
All: **And also with you!**

Time for Children Doty Dunn
Children ages Pre-K through 3rd grade are invited to exit the sanctuary with the leaders for children's church at this time.

~~~~God Speaks Through The Word~~~~

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – 1 Kings 19: 9-18 pp. 404-405

Solo: Mark Hayes
“Give Me Jesus”
Zachary Futch, baritone

Second Lesson – Matthew 14: 22– 33 pp. 19-20

Sermon: Rev. Rachel Greiner

*Hymn: 697 HENDON
“Take My Life ”

~~~~God Enables Us To Respond~~~~

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer: Gordon Smith
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.

Offering:

Offertory: Antonio Vivaldi
Largo Doloroso

*Doxology

*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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

~~~~God Sends Us Out~~~~

*Hymn: 738 MARYTON
“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response: 539 (vs. 1) WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY
“We Will Go Out with Joy”

We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. Alleluia! We will go out with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude: Douglas Wagner
ST. THOMAS Fanfare

**As you are able, please stand.*

Announcements

Welcome! We're glad you're here! We would like to share more with you about our ministry and fellowship. Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate. If you live in an apartment, please be sure to include your apartment number and street address.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the glory of God.

Georgia Southern Water Bottle Welcome - Monday, Aug. 14 at 10 a.m.
FPC will be greeting our college neighbors as they walk through the church grounds on the first day of classes.

September newsletter deadline - Aug. 23.

Wednesday Night Suppers and Programs resume Sept. 6, with a hymn sing and Mission Night.

Kerygma Study: Lord Teach Us To Pray - Six Studies on Spirituality and The Lord's Prayer. Sept. 13, 20, 27; Oct. 4, 11, and 25. Kerygma books are \$13. Deadline to order a book is August 30.

Backpack Buddies - Once again, we are packing 33 backpacks each week for our friends at Mill Creek. Please place items in the basket in the hallway outside the CE Office. Thank you!
Backpack Buddies Shopping List: small jars of peanut butter, canned fruits and vegetables, fruit cups, canned meats, Chef Boyardee meals, soups, breakfast items, easy macaroni n' cheese packets, 100% juice boxes, packs of crackers, healthy snacks.

Book Club For All Seasons- The summer book club was so successful it has been renamed and will continue to meet throughout the year on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting is Sept. 7, at 11:30 a.m. in the Fielding Russell Room. The book for September is *Butter: A Novel*, by Anne Manning.

Flowers - Available upcoming Sundays are Aug. 20th and Sept. 3rd. Placing flowers in worship is a wonderful way to honor or remember loved ones and celebrate special occasions. If you would like to reserve a Sunday, you may do so by signing up on the flower chart located outside the church office, or call the church office at (912) 681-2053. The cost of flowers is \$50. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and note 'flowers'.

Prayer List — *Please pray for our friends, family and members. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month, unless otherwise requested.*
Family of Deborah Anderson, Bill Barnes, Ouida Barrineau, Sara Bennett, Joann Bowser, Rosalyn Cox, Marlene Davis, Barbara & Bob Focht, Gayle Gunter, Susan Gunter, Harriet Hair, Family of Aaron Pappas, Del Presley, Pat Shelburne, Bob Sylwester, Valerie Thomas, Genie Ward, Service Men & Women

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Doty Dunn, Brian Feltman, Matt Gerig, Ann Henderson,
Nan LoBue, Frank McDonald, Annette Smith, Gordon Smith.

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First Presbyterian Church Statesboro
First Presbyterian Church Statesboro Youth

Interested in Membership at First Presbyterian Church?

We'd love to have you become a part of this family! Our Book of Order reminds us that the Church exists to do a few very important things: proclaim the gospel, nurture disciples, preserve the truth, promote social righteousness, and exhibit the Kingdom of Heaven to the world. Any follower of Jesus Christ can join! Speak to an elder for more information.

'Get Mugged' at First Presbyterian Church of Statesboro

All visitors are encouraged to stop by the Narthex table on your way out today for a complimentary FPC mug. Please limit one per family. You may also purchase mugs for \$10 each or \$15 for two.

For your convenience

Personal hearing devices are available upon request, just ask an usher. Restrooms are located in the education building near the fellowship hall. Please silence all cell phones.

UKirk College Ministry

UKirk College Ministry is supported by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and charged with reaching, loving, and teaching college students so that they may be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ. To get connected, follow us on Facebook at UKirk Georgia Southern!



Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 13

10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship
12 noon Covered Dish Luncheon & Self-Study Discussion
12 noon Youth Kayaking at George L. Smith State Park

Monday, August 14

10 a.m. Georgia Southern Water Bottle Welcome on FPC Lawn

Wednesday, August 16

4:45 p.m. Christian Education Planning Meeting

Thursday, August 17

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch at The Beaver House

Friday, August 18

7 a.m. Youth at Starbucks

Saturday, August 19

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Silver Lining Club

Sunday, August 20

10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship
4 p.m.—6 p.m. Youth Group
4 p.m. Session Meeting
5 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
6 p.m. UKirk Bible Study

Tuesday, August 22

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Boro Browse

Thursday, August 24

7 a.m. Men's 2x4 Bible Study

Friday, August 25

7 a.m. Youth at Starbucks

Saturday, August 26

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Silver Lining Club



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Statesboro, Georgia

August 13, 2017

10th Sunday after Pentecost

~God Calls Us Together~

Westminster Chimes

Welcome and Announcements Lois Roberts
Please fill out the Friendship Tablet at the end of each row and pass it up and down the row so we may greet and know one another by name.

Prelude: Dale Wood
Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

*Congregational Introit: 398 HOW VERY GOOD
"How Very Good and Pleasant"

How very good and pleasant when we live in unity. It is like precious oil, like fresh morning dew. We gather here together with our hearts and voices raised to God, who's the center of our unity and praise!

*Call to Worship: (from Psalm 34)
One: I will bless the LORD at all times;
All: **God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.**
One: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
All: **Let the humble hear and be glad.**
One: O magnify the LORD with me,
All: **And let us exalt God's name together.**
One: I sought the LORD and he answered me,
All: **And delivered me from all my fears.**
One: Look to God and be radiant;
All: **So your faces shall never be ashamed.**
One: O taste and see that the LORD is good;
All: **Happy are those who take refuge in him.**

*Hymn: 12 ST. DENIO
"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*Call to Confession:
One: Brothers and Sisters, why do we confess our sin?
All: **Because all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God.**
One: But why do we do it together?
All: **Because we are a community, a covenant people.**