

\*Assurance of Pardon:

One: Here is the Good News! God is willing to cleanse us from our pride, our blindness, our stubborn insistence on having things “our way.” Through God’s grace we are washed and forgiven.

All: **Thanks be to God! Hallelujah! Amen.**

\**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 Lynda Webb

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

Engage FPC Matt Gerig

## ~God Speaks Through The Word~

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – John 6: 32– 33 p. 119

Anthem: Arr. Kenneth Lowenberg  
“Holy Manna”

Brethren, we are met to worship And adore the Lord our God; Will you pray with all your power, While we try to preach the Word?

All is vain unless the Spirit Of the Holy One come down; Brethren, pray, and holy manna Will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, Let us love each other too, Let us love and pray for sinners, Till our God makes all things new;

Then he’ll call us home to heaven, At his table we’ll sit down; Christ will gird himself, and serve us With sweet manna all around. Holy manna all around.

Second Lesson – Exodus 16: 1-18 pp. 78-79

Sermon: Elder Charles Webb, Ed.D.  
“What is it?”

\*Hymn: 291 SPIRIT  
“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

## ~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: Charles Webb  
**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: ST. ANNE/Guftason

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

\*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: 838 PROMISES

“Standing on the Promises”

\*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction Response

“Amen”

Postlude: LANCASHIRE/Thompson

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

***\*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 by Lois Roberts in memory of her brother, David William Maat, and those living with major depression.

***Chili Lunch*** - Today after worship. \$5 per person. All proceeds benefit the youth ministry.

***PW Rummage Sale*** - Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m.- noon in Carlton Hall. Donations accepted now.

***Wednesday Night Supper and Bible Study*** - See your bulletin insert to RSVP for supper, or call the church office by noon on Monday. Bible Study begins at 6:30 pm.

***Congregational Meeting*** - Next Sunday, October 15, immediately after worship, to elect new Elders. Elder nominees are Andrew Allen, Stacey Basquin, Lynda Webb and Charlotte Wynn.

***Backpack Buddies*** - Once again, we are packing 33 backpacks each week for our friends at Mill Creek. Critically needed items: cheese or peanut butter crackers, grits and juice boxes. Please place items in the basket in the hallway outside the CE Office. Thank you!

***Flowers*** - 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. Available Sundays are October 15, 22 and 29.

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

# First Presbyterian Church

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## Ruling Elders

Lois Roberts, Clerk. Chris Benatti, Maura Copeland, Brett Curry,  
Doty Dunn, Brian Feltman, Matt Gerig, Ann Henderson,  
Nan LoBue, Frank McDonald, Annette Smith, Gordon Smith.

## Like us on Facebook!

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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, October 8

10 a.m.

11 a.m.

Noon

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.

Sunday School

Worship

Chili Lunch

Youth Group

### Monday, October 9

9:30 a.m.

Joy Circle

### Tuesday, October 10

8 a.m.- noon

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Community Bible Study Leadership Meeting

Ladies Bible Study

Administrative Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, October 11

5:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

5:45 p.m.

5:45 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Service Committee Meeting

Handbell Ensemble

Mission Committee Meeting

Wednesday Night Supper

Bible Study

### Thursday, October 12

7:00 a.m.

5:15 p.m.

Men's 2x4 Bible Study

Pastoral Care Committee Meeting

### Friday, October 13

7:00 a.m.

Youth at Starbucks

### Saturday, October 14

8:00 a.m. - noon

PW Rummage Sale

### Sunday, October 15

10 a.m.

11 a.m.

Noon

1:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Sunday School

Worship

Congregational Meeting

Session Meeting

Worship Committee Meeting



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Statesboro, Georgia

## October 8, 2017

18th Sunday after Pentecost

~God Calls Us Together~

Westminster Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Nick Newell

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:

Buxtenude

*Fugue in C Major*

Choral Introit:

Donald Moore

"Be Joyful in the Lord"

\*Call to Worship:

One: We gather for worship aware that we hunger for many things.

All: **We hunger for meaning,**

One: we hunger for truth,

All: **we hunger for hope.**

One: Christ is the true bread of life,

All: **He is the one who can satisfy our deepest yearnings.**

\*Hymn: 65

CWM RHONDDA

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

\*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.**

\*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.**