

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 22, 2024



The Canaanite Woman asks for healing for her daughter, Ilyas Basim Khuri Bazzi Rahib, most likely a Coptic monk in the late 17th century in Egypt.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us now prepare our hearts to worship God.

MUSIC FOR PREPARATION

Be Thou My Vision

Healy Willan (1880-1968)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord.

Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

Happy are those whose help is from God—

the One who made heaven and earth,

the One who created the seas and all that is in them.

Happy are those whose hope is in God—

the One who keeps faith forever,

the One who feeds the hungry

and defends the oppressed.

God will reign forever, for all generations.

Praise the Lord!

Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NO. 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

What have we done to you, dear God?

We dishonor you every time we treat one another with disrespect.

We shatter your heart when we find it easier to break our word,

than to take the risk to keep it.

We do not speak up for what we know to be right.

Instead, we fill your ears with gossip, lies and slander.

You are wise enough to forgive our foolishness;

you are strong enough to overcome our weakness;

you are loving enough to heal the hurt we cause to you and to others.

And so, give us new hope and new life

in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Please join in reading
aloud those parts of the
service printed
in **bold**.*

*The congregation is
invited to reflect silently
during the Music for
Preparation as a time of
prayer and meditation.*

When this symbol ()
precedes an element of
the service, please rise
in body or spirit.*

*We lay before God our
own sins,
the sins and
brokenness of our
fellow worshipers,
the church universal,
and the world.*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy u - pon us.

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy u - pon us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Glory to God!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

The astoundingly good news of our reconciliation to God through Jesus Christ frees our tongues to sing mighty praise to God.

Glo - ry to God! The heav'ns a - dore! Let earth re - sound God's

praise there - fore; Au - thor of peace for ev - er - more!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Michael Morgan

***PASSING THE PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

We exchange reconciling words and gestures among the people of God.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

STORY TELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 146

*Large Print Pew Bible, page 715
Pew Bible, pages 581-582*

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

We listen for what God is saying to God's people through scripture, song, and sermon.

ANTHEM

We Beseech Thee, O Lord

Robert Graham (1912-1992)

Chancel Choir

We beseech Thee, O Lord, to grant us pardon and peace;
that we may serve Thee with a quiet mind,
through Jesus Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:24-37

Large Print Pew Bible, page 52
Pew Bible, pages 42-43

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: A Little Boundary Breaking

Rev. Carrie Tuttle

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE – NO. 451

Open My Eyes

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

- from *The Confession of 1967*

We believe that in Jesus of Nazareth,
true humanity was realized once and for all.
Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people
and shared human needs, temptations, joys and sorrows.
He expressed the love of God in word and deed
and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people.
In giving himself for them,
he took upon himself the judgement
under which all people stand convicted.
We believe that God raised him from the dead,
vindicating him as Messiah and Lord.
The victim of sin became the victor,
and won the victory over sin and death for all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

*Our response to
hearing God's Word
includes singing and
saying what we
believe.*

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Chancel Choir

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
 nought be all else to me, save that thou art.
 Thou my best thought by day or by night,
 waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word:
 I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou my great Father, I thy true son;
 thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,
 thou mine inheritance now and always;
 thou and thou only, first in my heart,
 High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
 may I reach heav'ns joys O bright heaven's Sun!
 Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
 still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be -
 low; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly
 host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

BEARING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

Please remain seated and quiet until the conclusion of the closing voluntary.

God blesses and sends us in mission to the world.

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – NO. 772

Live into Hope

TRURO

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

Finale Jubilate

Healey Willan

James Lunde, D. Min., Senior Pastor and Head of Staff

Carrie Tuttle, M. Div., Parish Associate for Pastoral Care

J. Patrick Murphy, M. Mus., Organist-Choirmaster

Charlotte Nance-Allbright, M.A, C.C.E., Director of Christian Formation and Education

IN MEMORIAM

LOU KNIGHT

May 31, 1939 – September 17, 2024

“I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.”

John 11:25



A Moment's Meditation

When we learn to read the story of Jesus and see it as the story of the love of God, doing for us what we could not do for ourselves – that insight produces, again and again, a sense of astonished gratitude.

N. T. Wright

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us. We hope in this service you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring family of faith. If you are not receiving the weekly e-newsletter, please feel free to pick up a copy today in the narthex and then contact the church office to be added to the weekly email list. If you are visiting with us and in search of a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family here at First Presbyterian Church. Please let us know of your interest by way of the friendship register, or by speaking to a minister. The Church Office phone number is 336-228-1703.

MUSIC NOTES: Music texts and impressions, along with streaming music, are provided with permission from One License, License #A-715495. All rights reserved.

LIVE VIDEO STREAMING SERVICE: *Boxcast* will stream to our website and Facebook page each Sunday morning.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS: Copies of today's hymns are available in the narthex.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Lou Massie by Keith, Kevin and Denise Massie.

PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION: If you have a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may contact the minister on call by calling the church at 336-228-1703 and pressing 9. You will then be connected to the minister on call.

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION: All are welcome at 4:00 p.m. today in the sanctuary for the installation service of The Rev. Dr. Jim Lunde as Senior Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Burlington.

UNDERSTANDING CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM led by Mr. Steve Matthews Mondays, September 23 & 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the John Knox Room. All are welcome.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is our September Mission Giving Focus. We are highlighting the Women's Build and have a team ready to put on their hard hats, swing a hammer, and love our neighbors in need. The FPCB Pink Ladies would love your prayers for all the teams and the people who will receive the homes they help to build. If you feel moved to give to help with the cost of the home, the giving link is <https://grouprev.com/womenbuild2024-teamfirstprezpinkladies>. You'll see our team met their goal (YAY!) and additional gifts are most welcome.

MEMORIAL BLOODMOBILE:

The American Red Cross is planning to hold a blood drive on Monday, September 30, 2024 in Shive Hall from 2:00– 6:30 P.M. The blood drive is done in memory of Harold Lloyd who organized a number of blood drives at FPC and Barbara Lloyd who was a faithful Red Cross volunteer for many years.

Donor registration is now available. To schedule an appointment go to redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code **FPC**. If you need assistance or information you may contact Lucy Kernodle, Site Coordinator, at lkernodle@bellsouth.net. More details are available in the weekly e-blast.

SNOW CAMP OUTDOOR THEATER - STUDIO 1 is presenting "Pathway to Freedom" and we are going Saturday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. Charlotte is purchasing tickets and needs to know who is attending. Please contact Charlotte (callbright@fpcburlington.org or 336-228-1703 x 223) to let her know how many tickets you want and if you want general admission (\$17), senior adult (\$14), or student (\$14). RSVP no later than September 25.

Did you miss the **SMALL GROUP** information? It is not too late to sign up. Check out fpcsmallgroups.org for more information about these opportunities:

- The Pointe and Take Root Socials
- Field Trips of Faith & Justice and 508 Partnership Poetry Class
- Soul Food; Thank you, Jesus; and Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Liturgical Movement; Walk-n-Talk; and Furniture Ministry

Find where God is calling you to learn, grow, and get to know your church family.

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 22

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
- 9:00 a.m. *Children Worship Too!*- Williams Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal— Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m. Youth Advisor's Meeting — Witherspoon Room
- 4:00 p.m. Service of Installation—Rev. Dr. Jim Lunde — Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Reception in Honor of Rev. Dr. Jim Lunde — Shive Hall

Monday, September 23

- 8:30 a.m. ACAC Serving Team A@ ACAC
- 6:30 p.m. Understanding Christian Nationalism — John Knox Room

Tuesday, September 24

- 6:45 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study — Witherspoon Room
- 7:30 a.m. Dough Devotions — The Park Restaurant
- 8:00 a.m. Walk and Talk
- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting — Room 203
- 5:30 p.m. Liturgical Movement Small Group — Room 403
- 7:00 p.m. BSA Pack 17 Meets — Garrison Joyner Activities Building

Wednesday, September 25

- 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study — Witherspoon Room
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Game Night — Room 401
- 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 26

- 6:45 a.m. Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study — Witherspoon Room
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry — Room 201

Friday, September 27

- 10:00 a.m. Holt/Rosenblum Wedding Rehearsal — Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Take Root Social

Saturday, September 28

- 9:00 a.m. Salem Presbytery PW Fall Gathering — Second Presbyterian Church — Salisbury, NC
- 4:00 p.m. Holt/Rosenblum Wedding — Sanctuary