



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Prelude on "Hymn to Joy"

Young

Call to Worship

Gracious God, we bring you the broken parts of ourselves.

**Hem us in before and behind.**

Creator God, we bring you the joyful parts of ourselves.

**Weave us together in hope and praise.**

God of new life, we bring you doubt and faith knotted up in our hearts.

**Unravel our doubt. Weave faith into our hearts. Draw us together and point us toward you.**

**IN HOPE AND FAITH, WE COME. IN HOPE AND FAITH, WE WORSHIP.**

Hymn # 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

PRAYER

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

죄짐맡은 우리구주

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

God of the wind and the sea,  
You invite us to be brave, but we are more familiar with fear.  
You invite us to trust you, but we'd rather trust wind and gravity.  
You invite us to believe in ourselves, but we have never been good at that.  
You invite us to move — to change and take a risk —  
but we stay planted where we are, afraid of the ways growth might hurt.  
Forgive us for our self doubt and fear.  
We believe, despite our unbelief.  
Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Congregational Response # 184**

*Calm to the Waves*

CALM SEAS

**Calm to the Waves 184**

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Je - sus whis - pers, "Peace, be  
still." Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In still-ness, hear his voice.

The first half of this refrain text deals with the external environment, while the second half concerns our interior response. Similarly, the first half of the music gradually moves upward, while the direction of the second half is downward, enhancing a sense of centeredness.

TEXT: Mary Louise Bringle, 2002  
MUSIC: Thomas Pavlechko, 2002  
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CALM SEAS  
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**Moment with the Children**

**Anthem**

*Voice of Truth*  
Wendi Arms, solo

Hall/Chapman

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 14: 22-33

**Sermon**

Whitney Moss

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.

Prayers of the People

Offering

Congregational Response # 708

*We Give Thee but Thine Own—v. 1*

SCHUMANN

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP

We Give Thee but Thine Own 708

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
 2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-arcs true re - ceive,  
 3 The cap-tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,  
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
 to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.  
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Each successive stanza here expands the implications of the familiar affirmation of the first one. Much more than a concern with money, stewardship shapes our relationship with God and with other people. Despite this tune's name, no source has been found in Schumann's works.

TEXT: William Walsham How, c. 1838  
 MUSIC: Mason and Webb's *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

SCHUMANN  
 SM

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

# What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine 837

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1 What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-  
2 O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-  
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-

last-ing arms; what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine,  
last-ing arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day,  
last-ing arms? I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near,

*Refrain*

lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms. Lean-ing,  
Lean-ing on Je-sus,

lean-ing, safe and se-cure from all a-larms; lean-ing  
lean-ing on Je-sus,

ing, lean-ing, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.  
Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus,

The composer of the tune (and creator of the refrain) asked the author of the stanzas to write a hymn based on the latter part of Deuteronomy 33:27 (as worded in the King James Version): "Underneath are the everlasting arms." Their joint effort has proved very popular.

TEXT: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1887  
MUSIC: Anthony J. Showalter, 1887

SHOWALTER  
10.9.10.9 with refrain

**Charge and Benediction**

**Benediction Response**

*God be the Love to Search and Keep Me*  
Fred Hyslop, solo

GREEN TYLER

**Postlude**

*Carillon Toccata*

Wagner

**Welcome to worship on this Sixth Sunday after Pentecost.** We invite you to indicate your presence by emailing Maggie Wentzky at [maggiew@fpcgreer.org](mailto:maggiew@fpcgreer.org).

**The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession** are sourced from A Sanctified Art's *Unraveled* study.

**Today's bulletin artwork** is entitled, "Step Into the Swell" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity, and is used with permission by A Sanctified Art.



**The Session has called an Annual Congregational Meeting for July 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** (Rain Date is July 26, 2020) at the beginning of the Vespers Service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the Officer Nominating Committee (ONC), to hear the report of the ONC, to elect ruling elders and deacons (Class of 2023), to elect officers of the First Presbyterian Church of Greer, SC, a Corporation, to present the 2020 Confirmands to the congregation, and to present and welcome new members to the congregation.

The nominees for your consideration are: For Ruling Elder—Cal Cannon, Ken Dill, Brent Garrett, Bill Harrill, Stuart Mauney, and Harriett Williams. For Deacon—Graham Cobb, Scott Cruz, Emily Mangum, Suellen McConnell, Leanna McCord, Linda McDaniel, and Stacia Smith. For Corporate Officers — Bill Helton, President; Leland Burch, Vice-President; Elizabeth Clayton, Secretary; Carlton Greene, Trustee; Jack House, Trustee; and Nick Nicholson, Trustee.

In accordance with the Book of Order (G-2.0401), when officer elections are held, full opportunity shall be given to make nominations from the floor of the meeting by any active member of the congregation. Nominations made from the floor require the prior consent of the person being nominated. All active members of the congregation present at the annual meeting are entitled to vote.



Our Virtual VBS, Compassion Camp, begins July 18th and we invite all ages to participate. For more information and to register, please visit [www.fpcgreer.org/vbs2020](http://www.fpcgreer.org/vbs2020) or contact Maggie Wentzky, Victoria Melin, or Logan Britt. Come join in the fun!



Many in our church family are taking the 21-Day Race Equality Challenge and meet via Zoom on Sunday evening for a thoughtful and respectful discussion. Please reach out to Berry French for more information and to receive the Zoom meeting link. We invite you to browse the website at <https://myersparkpres.org/project/better-when-were-back-together>.

**Thank you to** Wendi Arms, Fred Hyslop, Lisa Dillard, and Pam Turnage for sharing their musical gifts in worship.

**Please note that we now have the capability to accept your offering via text message.** Please text GIVE to 18649993612. You may also give on our website or by mailing a check to the church office.

