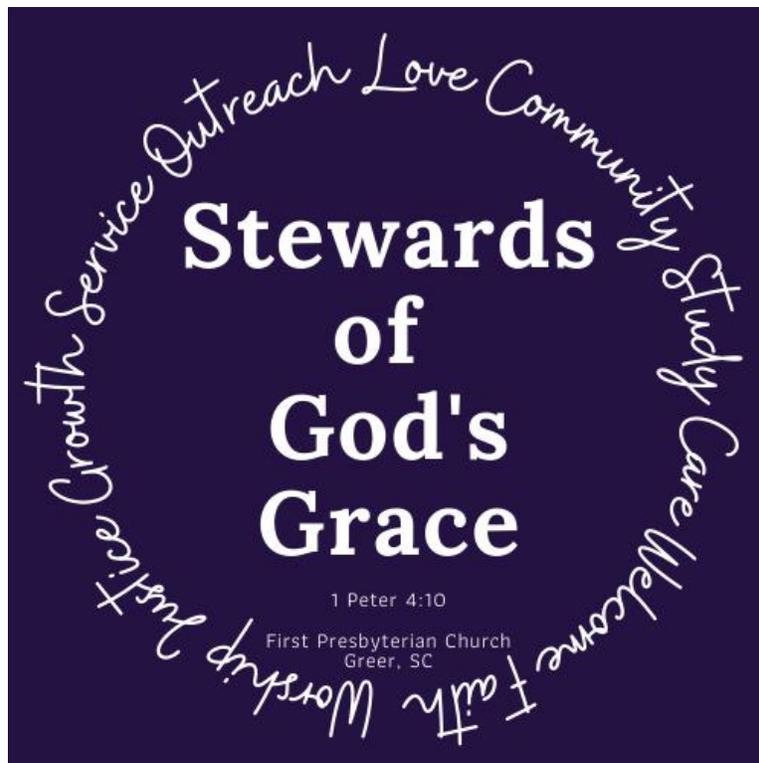


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

11:00 a.m. Worship



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October 10, 2021

20th Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Baloche

***Call to Worship**

Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.**

God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

**Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn # 475**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin

O God, who is always ready to hear our confession and by such mercies as we cannot give one another, save us from our sin: where age has hardened our hearts, surprise us by your tenderness; where youth has kept us from trust, capture us by your truth; where fear has divided us from one another, overwhelm us with your grace; where anxiety has muted our praise, fill us with gratitude. And from views too earthbound, futures now foreclosed, conclusions already drawn, commitments never dared, save us Sovereign Lord, and in your great compassion lift our hearts and spirits heavenward; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Response # 422

Create in Me a Clean Heart

CREATE IN ME

Assurance of Pardon

***Response # 582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

Minute for Stewardship

Harriett Williams

Invitation to the Children

Anthem

Take My Life and Let It Be

arr. Tucker

Congregation is invited to sing on cue:

*Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.*

Prayer for Illumination

By your Word, O God of grace, find us as we are lost, free us as we are bound, help us as we are weak, wound us as we are proud, require of us our very souls and send us into the world as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading	Amos 5:10-15	Pew Bible, pg. 746
New Testament Reading	Mark 10:17-31	Pew Bible, pg. 822
Sermon	"Running Away"	Reverend Shelburne
*Affirmation of Faith		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.**

Installation of Church Officers Elizabeth Clayton and Dennis Cooley

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offertory *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* Wood

***Response # 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
 praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication & the Lord's Prayer**

***Hymn # 724** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* ANGEL'S STORY

***Charge and Benediction**

***Response # 697** *Take My Life - verse 5* HENDON
*Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.*

***Postlude** *Rigaudon* Campra

*Those who are able may stand.

Welcome to worship on this Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost. Please record your presence in worship today by signing the fellowship pads located in each pew. If worshipping with us online, please share your presence by emailing Lisa Johnson at lisaj@fpcgreer.org.

Reverend Shelburne will be on continuing education study leave October 12th—19th. In the event of a pastoral care emergency, please contact the church office.

The second session of Faithful Conversations: Racial Justice and Equity is TODAY at 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Reach out to Stuart Mauney with questions.

Sunday Funday for Elementary Children is TODAY at 4:00 p.m. Contact Maggie Wentzky with questions.

The youth will meet TODAY at 5:00 p.m. for dinner and a program. Reach out to Logan Britt with questions.

Join us for Joygift—choir rehearsals for Christmas music begin October 20th at 7:30 p.m. Please contact Lisa Dillard if you are interested.

Fall Bible Study—Lessons from The Master: A Study of Matthew's Gospel. For as long as we have been members of the Church, we have lived with the notion that Jesus is our teacher in faith and life. In Matthew's gospel, the teachings of Jesus confront us with the very will and rule of God: the demand to love not only our neighbor but also our enemy, the rejection of mere ritualism, the pointlessness of worry, and the unconditional nature of forgiveness to name a few. The fact that we Christians are named disciples draws attention to the fact that we remain students in the school of Jesus for our entire lives. Like the first disciples who followed Jesus, our aim remains to learn from Jesus what it means to be a witness to the good news that the kingdom of God is at hand. **Our study begins this Wednesday, October 13th and ends on Wednesday, November 17th. We will meet from 5:00 - 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. To sign up, please contact Lisa Johnson in the church office.**

In recognition of Veterans Day on November 11th, Bill Koehler is collecting the names of men and women in our congregation who have served in the military. The focus is on our deceased and current church members. These names will be placed as an insert in the bulletin honoring our veterans on Sunday, November 14th. Military service includes active duty, National Guard, or Reserve duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard. Please send the names to Bill at koehlerrn@aol.com or call him at 864-968-9238.



Join us Wednesday, October 20th from 5:30—7:00 pm for dinner, games, crafts, and FUN! Watch your email for more details coming soon.