

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

11:00 a.m. Worship



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November 14, 2021

25th Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

We Are One in the Spirit
Grace Notes Orff Ensemble

Scholtes

Congregation—please sing twice through
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

***Call to Worship**

O God, your constant love reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness extends to the skies.

Your righteousness towers like the mountains, your justice is deeper than the sea.

All find protection under the shadow of your wings. We feast on the abundance you provide.

You are the source of all life, and in your light, we see light.

***Hymn # 215**

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin

For self-righteousness that will not compromise, and from selfishness that gains by the manipulation of others,

Forgive us, O God.

For the lust of money or power that drives to kill,

Forgive us, O God.

For the arrogance and thoughtlessness that abuses your good creation,

Forgive us, O God.

For trusting in the weapons of war and mistrusting the councils of peace,

Forgive us, O God.

For hearing, believing, and speaking lies about other nations,

Forgive us, O God.

For suspicions and fears that stand in the way of reconciliation,

Forgive us, O God.

For words and deeds that encourage discord, perpetuate racist assumptions, sexist stereotypes, and classist attitudes - for everything that contributes to oppression,

Forgive us, O God.

Kyrie # 551

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn of Praise # 39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

Invitation to the Children

Recognition of Veterans

Bill Koehler, Colonel US Army, Retired

Anthem

Soon and Very Soon

Crouch/Schrader

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

Pew Bible, pg. 729

New Testament Reading

Mark 13:1-8

Pew Bible, pg. 825

Sermon

"Cosmic Hot Mess"

Dr. Al Masters

The Sacrament of Baptism

Fitz William Keller
son of Jennifer and Chip Keller

Presentation and Profession of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed

Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Baptism

Response *Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.*

Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, Fitz, to share with us in
the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

Prayer

Offering

Offertory

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. Raney

***Hymn of Dedication # 708**

We Give Thee But Thine Own

SCHUMANN

*We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.*

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

***Hymn # 357**

The Days Are Surely Coming
Choir—verse 1; All—verses 2 & 3

LLANGLOFFAN

***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response # 375**

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

*Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.*

*Those who are able may stand.

Welcome to worship on this Twenty-fifth 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.

The final session of our Fall Bible Study, “Lessons with the Master: A Study of Matthew’s Gospel” is this Wednesday, November 17th at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

F3 (Faith, Fellowship, & Fun) for our 3rd-5th graders is TODAY immediately following 11 am worship. Reach out to Maggie Wentzky with questions.

Calling all Mid High and Senior High Youth! Join us on November 21st at 6 pm as we celebrate “Friendsgiving”. Contact Logan Britt for details.

Stewardship T-Shirts are here! Long sleeve T-shirts with our stewardship logo are available for purchase. We have sizes from youth small to adult 3X. Children’s sizes are \$10 and adult sizes are \$15. Pick yours up at the table in the gathering area after 8:55 worship and outside the church office after 11 worship.

Be a Souper-Hero! Support the Greer Soup Kitchen by participating in the Merle State Hunger Walk on Saturday, November 20th from 4-7 pm. The Walk begins at Memorial United Methodist Church and ends at the Greer Soup Kitchen. Walk, Donate, Take a Tour of the Step Building and Soup Kitchen, or check out the Tiny Homes Open House. Enjoy the local food trucks, live music, and Anne Helton’s apple pies for sale. Go to greersoupkitchen.com for more information.

SAVE THE DATE—Advent Wreath & Ornament Making from 3-5 pm on November 28th. More details coming soon!

Senior Pastor: The Reverend Will Shelburne
Parish Associate: The Reverend Dr. Al Masters
Faith Formation Intern: Logan Britt
Director of Music: Lisa Dillard
Assistant Director of Music: Pam Turnage
Praise Team Leader: Wendi Arms
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