

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

11:00 a.m. Worship



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Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Highland Cathedral* Korb/Roever
Andrew Greer, bagpipes

***Call to Worship** John Knox (1514-1572)

O Lord, strengthen our faith;
 kindle it in eagerness and love toward you,
 and our neighbors, for your sake.
Suffer us not to receive your word in vain any longer;
 but grant us always the assistance of your grace and Holy Spirit,
 that in heart, word, and deed, we may sanctify and worship your name.
Let us not lack the thing without which we cannot serve you;
 but bless all the works of our hands that we may have what we need
 to be helpful and not hurtful to others. Amen.

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn No. 275** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

Confession of Sin Martin Luther (1483-1546)

O God, who does not let those who fail perish if they desire to be converted and live:
suspend the judgment of our sins and be present to us. And let not our hypocrisy heap
up for us punishment, but let your compassion evermore abound for our sins; through
the Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Response No. 624 *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* TOULON

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart,
who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness; no harshness hast thou and no bitterness.
O grant to us the grace we find in thee, that we may dwell in perfect unity.

Assurance of Pardon

***Response No. 649** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

***Words of Peace**

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

Invitation to the Children

Anthem *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Burkhardt
Chancel Choir; Judy Mirick, trumpet

The congregation is invited to turn to Hymn No. 321 and join in vv. 1, 2, and 5, upon cue.

Prayer for Illumination

John Calvin (1509-1564)

O Lord, heavenly Father, in whom is the fullness of light and wisdom, enlighten our minds by your Holy Spirit, and give us grace to receive your Word with reverence and humility, without which no one can understand your truth. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Pew Bible, pg. 642

New Testament Reading

Mark 12:28-34

Pew Bible, pg. 825

Sermon

"God, Our Help and Our Hope"

Reverend Shelburne

***Affirmation of Faith**

Reformation Sunday Litany

See Insert

Offering

Offertory

Fanfare on THAXTED

Holst/Fleury

***Response No. 624**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

Thou art the life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive;
sustain us by thy faith and by thy power, and give us strength in every trying hour.

***Prayer of Dedication and the 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.**

All Saints Remembrance

Louise Ables
Glennis Griner
Joan White

***Hymn No. 326**

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Scotland the Brave

Traditional

* Those who are able may stand.

Welcome to worship on this Reformation Sunday. Please indicate your presence 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 or by completing the online attendance form on our website, www.fpcgreer.org/online-attendance.

Thank you to Jenny Munro for assisting in worship and to Andrew Greer and Judy Mirick for sharing their musical gifts.

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Join us TODAY at 5:30 p.m. for our Fall Festival! This year's event is free and is a congregational and community gathering. We will enjoy hot dogs and all the fixings, plus varieties of homemade chili. There will be a bouncy house, cake walk, and games for all ages while meeting our neighbors in the community. Wear a costume and come join the fun!

Fall Bible Study concludes this Wednesday, October 29. Join Reverend Dottie Metropol in the Mt. Tabor Room at 1:00 p.m. as we focus on some of the Creeds we say in worship each Sunday.

Please note that Kids Connection will not meet on October 29. Join us on November 5 as we continue learning about the parables.

Save the Date! Stewardship Dedication Sunday is November 9. Both services will be in the sanctuary and we will enjoy a potluck luncheon in the fellowship hall following 11:00 a.m. worship. Spinx chicken and dessert will be provided and we ask that you bring a side dish or two to share.

Inquirer and New Member Classes met today at 10:00 a.m. in the Mt. Tabor Room and continue on November 2 and 9. Contact Betsy Porter or the church office for more information.

Basketball Registration is open! Based on registration numbers, teams will be formed for ages 4 and up with practices and games scheduled to begin on November 22. Please visit www.fpcgreer.org/basketball for more information and to register. We also need basketball coaches. If you are interested in serving as a coach, please contact Jamie Garrett or Maggie Wentzky.

Joyful Noise Ringers will rehearse on November 2 at 1:00 p.m. We will practice for three weeks and play during worship on November 23. No experience is required and all ages and skill levels are welcome. The deadline to RSVP to Lisa Dillard is TODAY.

The Cherub Choir for pre-school and younger elementary children will sing during 11:00 a.m. worship on November 9. Rehearsals are during Sunday School on October 26 and November 2.

The Dunbar Pantry Needs Your Help. We currently provide weekend food for 71 students at Dunbar Child Development Center and Greer Middle School. This adds up to 852 items going out of the pantry each week. We invite you to set up recurring donations through our Amazon wishlist found on the home page of the church website.

You can also pick up items at the grocery store and bring them to the church. Items needed include applesauce and pudding cups, pop tarts, juice boxes, soups, small cans of vegetables and pasta entrees, individual snacks, and packets of grits and oatmeal. Thank you for your support!

Veterans Day is November 11. We will recognize the service and sacrifice of our military veterans and their families during worship on November 16. If you are a military veteran and have not previously provided us your name or the name of a living or deceased veteran family member, please contact Lisa Johnson in the church office.