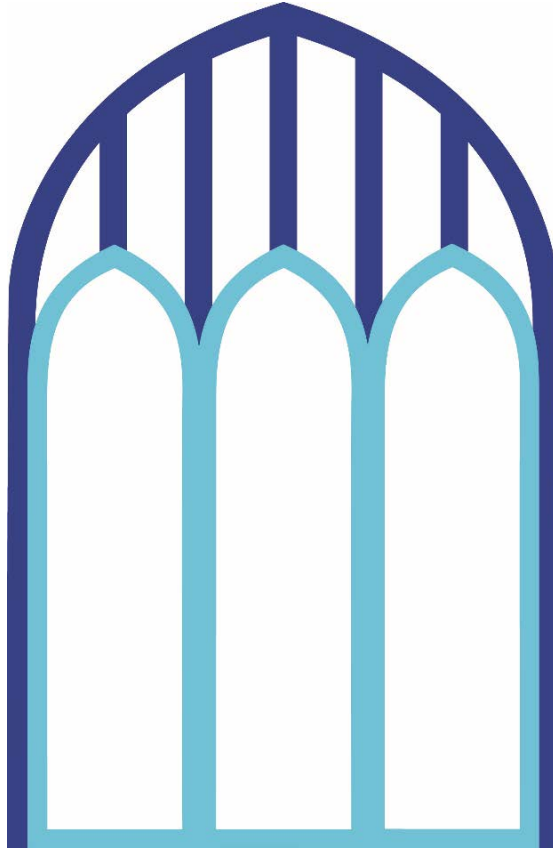


SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 7, 2024



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 A.M.

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JULY 7, 2024

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Romans 12:2

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

Meditation on “America”

Eleanor Whitsett, comp

INTROIT

Jesus, My Life, My All

Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN

No. 65

Tune: CWM RONDDA

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal God, whom we worship with reverent lips, but too often with insensitive hearts, grant us today a vital experience of your saving power. You see us with our self-centeredness and ill temper, our jealousy and animosity, tempted by worldly pride and desire. You see us surrendering to our fears, losing our faith, compromising with evil, letting the world's chaos and our private troubles make us victims instead of victors in the battle of life. Living God, come to some distressed and beaten souls here and repeat again the miracle of your grace that, being transformed by the renewing of our minds, we may go out to be more than conquerors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

No. 575

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

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*WORDS OF PEACE

Liturgist: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet your neighbors with words of God's peace.)

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers at this time.)

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Because we did not make ourselves, because we do not keep ourselves, because we cannot forgive ourselves, our hearts reach out to you, O God. Speak to us the word we need to hear and prepare our hearts to receive and to believe in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 58:6-12 Page 688

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 6:1-13 Page 40

SERMON “Lordy, What’s Next?” Rev. Bob Morgan
Mark 6:13

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles’ Creed Page 35

***HYMN** No. 647 *Tune: GIVE THANKS*
Give Thanks

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me K. Lee
Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY** No. 607

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

MUSIC FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER Holland Morgan, Organist

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

Communion of the People

Prayer

***HYMN** No. 726 *Tune: KELVINGROVE*
Will You Come and Follow Me

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** Jesus, My Life, My All Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE** Eternal Father, Strong to Save Carolyn Hamlin, arr.

*Congregation please stand in body or in spirit.

Welcome to All!

If you are a newcomer, please sign the friendship register at the end of the pew and introduce yourself to the minister. Join us as we grow together in our love for God and neighbor. Ask yourself how you can make a difference in this "Servant Church in the City."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - WEEK OF JULY 7

Sunday, July 7

Summer Choir	10:15 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship	10:30 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Interm Search Committee Meeting	12:15 p.m.

Thursday, July 11

Presbyterian Women-Chat n' Chill	6:00 p.m.
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Friday, July 12

Centering Prayer	10:00 a.m.
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CHILDREN who are in Kindergarten and younger may go to the Preschool for Extended Session following the children's sermon. Worship bags, designed to help children participate in worship more meaningfully, are available in the narthex

CHILDREN, 1st – 5th GRADERS are invited to leave the service after the "Invitation to the Children" to attend a worship service led by Allison and Tanner in Stewart Hall. Exploring worship through art, music, faith questions, and interactive prayer will be the focus. They will return to sit in the balcony or with their parents during the singing of the second hymn.

LITURGIST- Jason Salzer is an active member of First Presbyterian Church. He is married to Emily Salzer and father to Campbell, Griffin, and Grey. He is an Associate Director in the Division of Student Affairs at Georgia Southern University. Jason pursues his passion as a singer and songwriter, is well-known in Savannah for his performances, and graciously shares his talents with our congregation.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Judith Craford to the glory of God.

JOIN THE SUMMER CHOIR Summertime provides an opportunity for adults and high school students to sing on a week-to-week basis with a Sunday morning rehearsal at 10:15 a.m. in Room 111. Anthems will be hymn-based and simple to learn. All are invited.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be Monday, July 22 through Thursday, July 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We need your help! Please consider volunteering and contact allison@savannahfpc.org to sign up. Registration information is also available on our website <https://www.savannahfpc.org/vacation-bible-school.html#/>

THE SESSION - Class of 2024: G. Robert Bennett, Carol J. Booker, Michael P. Brooks, Allison D. Johnson, Paul M. Pressly, Ellen M. Tate; **Class of 2025:** Natalie F. Chase, Myra P. Hill, Elizabeth H. Longley, Eric J. McManus, Colin A. McRae, William M. Schriefer; **Class of 2026:** Judith G. Crawford, John H. Hinman III, Brett J. Lundy, Emily C. Salzer, Marti Stein, Daniel R. Walters; **Clerk of Session:** Paul M. Pressly. **Elder Emerita:** Rose M. Donnelly.

CHURCH STAFF – Search underway for new Interim Minister; Allison B. Shearouse, *Director of Christian Education*; C.Tanner King, *Associate Director of Music*; Holland Morgan, *Interim Organist*; Brittany C. Farbo, *Office Administrator*; Barbara G. Roush, *Financial Secretary*; Dorothy S. Bunker, *Preschool Director*; Brent J. Bissell, *Communications Coordinator*, Hugh Daniels, *Sexton*.

MISSIONARIES - Farsijana and Bernard Adeney, Yogyakarta, Indonesia; Nancy and Shelvis Smith-Mather, Yei, South Sudan; Ellen D. Smith, Warsaw, Poland.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR marks the beginning of the Lord's Day service. The Prelude is a time for quiet preparation and private prayer as the congregation prepares to worship God.

GREETER: Charlotte Keenoy...**USHERS:** Head Usher: Brett Lundy Team Members: David Schlosser, Belinda Walters, Dan Walters **ACOLYTE:** Carter McRae **EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS:** Emily Salzer and Lindsay McRae.

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