



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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Service of the Lord's Day
Sunday, November 4, 2018

Visiting?

- **Welcome** to First Presbyterian Church! Whether you're visiting from out of town or new to the area, we are glad you are here.
- If you have any **questions** about our church, please ask our greeters and ushers (the folks who handed you a bulletin), or visit our website www.firstpresdalton.org.
- If you would like to know more about our church, fill out a **Let's Get Acquainted** card and place it in the offering plate during worship.
- **Childcare** is available for children (infant-3) in the nursery (Room 109) from 9:15-11:45 a.m.. Preschool-aged children (3-7) meet in the Joy Makers class during the Sunday School hour (Room 201). During worship we welcome children from this age group to come forward for the Children's Message and then return to their classroom for Worship and Play. All children are welcome to stay throughout worship. In order for our staff and volunteers to care for your children, please fill out a children's ministry sticker for you and your child. Stickers are in the narthex, the Commons, or the nursery.

How to Connect

- Come to worship—we're here every week!
- Fill out a Let's Get Acquainted card and place it in the offering plate to receive information about the church.
- Ask to join our newsletter list (signup available through the website) to keep up with church events.
- Contact the office to join a Dinner Group and meet new friends outside the church.
- Have a meal on us immediately following worship on the second Sunday of the month.
- Visit concerts, lectures, and other events hosted by the church.
- Ask about upcoming mission or fellowship opportunities.
- Come to church early and visit Sunday School (9:15 a.m. every Sunday).
- Join the church! (Indicate you would like to join on a Let's Get Acquainted Card or speak with the Pastor following worship.)
- Find the most current contact information on our members in the church directory. It can be found on our website (www.firstpresdalton.org) under the fellowship tab. The password is **firstpres1847**.



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church. There are two options available: First Pres Guest 2.4 and First Pres Guest 5. Although these will connect to the same network, 2.4 has more strength while 5 has more range. The location of the device will influence which one will automatically connect. The password for the guest network is **johncalvin**

Announcements

- In celebration of All Saints' Sunday, our Adult Choir will be participating in the service of **Choral Evensong** today at 5:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, with a reception to follow. Please come support our Adult Choir!
- Calling all elders (past and present): If you missed the first session, please plan to stay a few minutes after worship today to review **communion serving procedures**.
- The DEO Clinic, in partnership with FPC, is hosting a concert featuring **Scenic City Sound**, at the church Sunday, November 11 at 4:00 p.m. The concert will feature hit songs and timeless tunes from the 40s, 50s, 60s, and 70s. Please contact the church office if you are able to usher.
- Please join us for the **Second Sunday Fellowship Lunch** on Sunday, November 11 immediately following worship in Hollis Hall. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the church office.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018

PRELUDE

Toccata in F Major, BWV 540

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE GREETING

At the sound of the bells, please prepare your heart and mind for worship.

INTROIT

Call to Remembrance

R. Farrant
(1530-1580)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up.

Where can I go from you spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven,

You are there;

If I make my bed in the depths,

You are there.

If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

Even there your hand shall lead me.

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of love, as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us, so may we give ourselves to you. Keep our feet firmly in the way where Christ leads; let our mouths speak the truth that Christ teaches; and fill our lives with the life that is Christ within us. Sharing in the same Spirit, bind our hearts as one in worship and praise.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN 402

How Lovely, Lord

Merle's Tune

Introit:

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy : and thy loving-kindness, which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

The Call to Worship is from Psalm 139

*Where you see this notation, please rise in body or in spirit.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(A time of silent prayer and meditation.)

Holy God, you speak and we listen; you call and we answer; you lead and we follow.

Yet sometimes we hold back. We don't always listen. We don't always trust. Sometimes we protect ourselves from the uncertainty of the way and the call of the cross.

Forgive us, Lord. Give us courage to follow new challenges—to risk, to venture, to journey. Open our hearts to love neighbors and strangers. Give us the compassion to be moved by the world's longing. And give us the imagination of hope as we follow Jesus into the world. We pray all this in Christ's name. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

R. Proulx
(1937-2010)

The musical notation for 'The Kyrie' is presented in three systems. Each system consists of two staves: the left staff is for the Cantor and the right staff is for the Assembly. The music is written in a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'Lord, have mer - cy.' for the first system, 'Christ, have mer - cy.' for the second system, and 'Lord, have mer - cy.' for the third system. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating that the syllables are spread across multiple notes.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory Be to God the Father

Regent Square

**Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory
While unending ages run.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE LITANY OF PARTING

Congregation: **God be with you there.**

Children: God be with you here.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me!

William B. Bradbury

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

(At this point in the service, we invite preschool-aged children to follow their teachers to the second floor elementary classroom in the Martin House for "Worship and Play.")

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 1:8-14

NRSV

⁸ Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. ¹³ The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, ¹⁴ and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Holy Is the True Light

W. Harris
(1883-1973)

*Holy is the True Light,
and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured
in the heat of the conflict.
From Christ they inherit
a home of unfading splendour,
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.
Alleluia!*

Anthem Note:

Holy Is the True Light was composed around 1947 by William Harris in memory of Evelyn Ley, the wife of his friend and colleague Henry Ley, Precentor of Eton College. This anthem is particularly apt for All Saints' Sunday, a principal feast celebrated today throughout the wider church.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 12:13-21

NRSV

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” ¹⁴ But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵ And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ ¹⁸ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Bigger Barns”

Rev. Will Scott

*HYMN 716

God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Beach Spring

*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.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Roger Rollins

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Prelude on “St. Columba”

H. Willan
(1880-1968)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are You, God, faithful and strong. All Your works, the height and depth, echo the silent music of Your praise. In the beginning Your Word summoned light, night withdrew, and creation dawned. Then, as if ages had passed unseen, waters gathered on the face of the earth and life appeared. When at last the days had ripened and the earth was grown full in abundance, You created in Your image man and woman, the stewards of all creation. You gave us breath and speech, that all the living might find a voice to sing Your praise, and to celebrate the creation You made and called good:

(All sing together)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All-holy God, how wonderful is the work of Your hands! Because sin rose up to leave a fault-line, even in the earth, You stepped forward to enter into a covenant of peace that can renew the whole creation. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, as a father joyfully welcomes his own, You embraced a people as Yours, filling them with a longing for peace that will last, a justice that will never fail. Through countless generations Your people hungered for the bread of freedom. From them You raised up Jesus, Your Son, the living bread, in whom ancient hungers are satisfied. He healed the sick, though He Himself would suffer; He offered life to sinners, though death would hunt Him down. But with a love stronger than death, He opened wide His arms and surrendered His spirit.

The Great Thanksgiving:

The Great Thanksgiving is an ancient form of communion prayer that dates to the earliest days of the Church. Although it appears in different settings, it always contains a retelling of the “story” of salvation that we join as we partake in the life of Christ through the communion meal.

Excerpt from *Worshiping God Together: A Guide for Children and Their Parents:*

When we pray before the Lord’s Supper we do three things. First, we celebrate and give thanks for all the good things God has done for us. Second, we remember and give thanks for Jesus — how he lived, died, and rose again to save us and give us life. Third, we pray that the Holy Spirit will feed us through this meal, so that we can grow strong in faith and be faithful followers of Jesus.

Eternal God, let Your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine that we may have communion in the body and blood of Christ, and that in Him we may become one. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

After the words of institution the pastor will invite the elders forward to prepare the communion. The congregation will sing the Congregational Response. After the Congregational Response the pastor will invite you to come forward to receive Communion.

Choir sings refrain, all repeat



Verse

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ.

Refrain

COMMUNION

We invite you to come forward for communion via the nearest accessible main aisle and return to your seat the way you came. Communion is served by intinction. Tear a piece of bread from the loaf held by one elder, dip it in the cup held by another, and then, "Taste and see that the Lord is good." Gluten-free wafers are available on the table.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Shall We Gather at the River

R. Lowry
(1826-1899)

*Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?*

*On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day.*

*Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we every burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown.*

Refrain:

*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.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

*HYMN 691

Lord, When I Came into This Life

Land of Rest

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Traditional

**God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Sine Nomine"

C. Callahan
(b. 1951)

**Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation adapted from Celtic Daily Prayer, Book Two of the Northumbria Community (Harper Collins: London, 2015).

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 4

Communion Practice

11:30 a.m.

Choral Evensong

5:00 p.m.

Monday, November 5

Morning Prayers

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study

10:00 a.m.

Blue Ridge Book of the

Month Club

10:00 a.m.

Missions Team Meeting

5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 6

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 7

Saturday Sacks

11:00 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 11

Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship

10:00 a.m.

Worship

10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday

Fellowship Lunch

11:30 a.m.

DEO Clinic Concert

4:00 p.m.

Monday, November 12

Morning Prayers

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study

10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, November 13

Pack Hygiene Kits

9:30 a.m.

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 14

Vision Team Meeting

5:15 p.m.

Volunteer Schedule

Worship

Date	Lay Readers	Ushers	Open/Close	Flowers	Sound Board	Deposit
11/4	Coy Temples	Roy & Donna Cooper	Steve & Carol Houston	Becky Jolly	Jeff Granillo	Julie Tharpe
11/11	Mac Thomas	Kathryn Sellers & TBD	Larry & Sharon Cooper	Joanne Lewis	Jeff Granillo	Bob Hubbs

Children

Date	Children's Church	Nursery (Asst.)	Joy Makers
11/4	Jeff & Leanna Granillo	Emma Lively	Story
11/11	Katie Scott & Annelle Scott	Valerie George	Choir

Monthly

	Communion (November 4)	Congregational Care		Fourth Sunday Fellowship Refreshments
Prep	Scott DeLay	November	Jeane Jones	Mary Hubbs
Servers	Rev. Will Scott, Jim Burran, Fran Lewis, & Rob Lively	December	Mary Hubbs	TBD

PRAYERS

For the family of Anne Farrow, as they mourn her passing;

For Carl Rollins, brother of Roger Rollins, as he stays at Dalton Place;

For Richard and Deanna Husky, cousins of Roy Cooper, for their illnesses;

For Rev. Susan Reggin, as she undergoes treatment for cancer;

For First Presbyterian Church of Cohutta;

For Laurie White, Fran Lewis' sister, as she is feeling better during her battle with lung cancer;

For Sanford Dover;

For Martha Patton, sister of Patricia Rivers, as she recovers from a stroke in Atlanta;

For Dick Lowrey, as he deals with Multiple Systems Atrophy, an atypical form of Parkinson's Disease;

For Meccia Little, cousin of Jim and Susan Bisson, in her battle with brain cancer;

For Johnnie Bakkum at Summit Place, Beaufort, South Carolina;

For Natalie Raygor during her Master of Divinity program;

For Sally Wester at home;

For caregivers;

For aging parents.

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