

*The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 12, 2018  
10:30 a.m.*

*Enter the church in silence. Through silence speak to God and let God speak to you.*

**PREPARATION:** *The following are the lectionary scriptures for this morning: Psalm 130 (Pew Bible page 500) Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; hear my supplications. 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 (Pew Bible pages 255-256) Absalom dies in a failed rebellion against his father, King David. Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (Pew Bible page 951) Put away bitterness; be kind to one another; be imitators of God. John 6:35, 41-51 (Pew Bible page 868) Jesus says: I am the bread of life that has come down from heaven.*

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY:** *Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**THE GATHERING**

**BELL PEAL**

**WELCOME**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

“Liebster Jesu”

Ahle/Callahan

**INTROIT**

“Come and Rejoice!”

Toulon

**ALL:** Come and rejoice! Sing melodies of praise.  
Blend voice and color, harmony and light.  
All creatures now your pure thanksgiving raise  
to God who made both dawn and restful night.  
Come and rejoice! For Christ has made us one.  
Though we may sing or dance a different beat.  
In work and worship may God’s will be done  
as we, in varied way, our tasks complete.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

With the Lord there is steadfast love,  
With God is great power to redeem.  
It is God who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Let us pray:

Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord. Lord hear our voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of our supplications! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. For your gracious love we praise you. For your generous power, we give you thanks. Because of your transforming forgiveness, we hope in you. All praise, honor and glory are yours, Sovereign God, now and forever. Amen.

**\*HYMN #454**

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

Liebster Jesu

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, you have made your forgiving nature clear. You have forgiven us for doing what we ought not to have done. You have forgiven us for leaving undone that which we ought to have done. Yet we do not live freely in the hope of your forgiving love. We fence ourselves in with rules and regulations not grounded in your love. Instead, they bear witness to our distrust of our selves and each other. Forgive us; but this time transform us by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may truly live before you forgiven and free; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(Personal confessions continue in silence)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**LEADER:** Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**PEOPLE:** In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**\*GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal #579)** “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.”

**CHILDREN’S MOMENT**

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE EPISTLE LESSON**

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (Pew Bible page 951)

*The Word of the Lord!*

Thanks be to God!

**MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION**

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ANTHEM "Rejoice in the Lord Always" Gieseke

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 6:35, 41-51 (Pew Bible page 868)  
*The Gospel of the Lord!*  
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON "Drawn to the Bread of Life" Rev. Dr. Thomas P. Harp

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Antiphon II" Young

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591) "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 SENDING

\*HYMN #369 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" I'm Gonna Live

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune in F" Sobaje  
*Those departing during the Postlude can help those who listen  
by softening their joyful greeting of others.*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit.*

NEXT SUNDAY, August 19, 2018 will be the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost. *The lectionary scriptures will be: Psalm 111 (Pew Bible page 490) Praise the Lord; the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom. 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 (Pew Bible pages 265 – 267) Solomon becomes king and asks God for the gift of wisdom. Ephesians 5:15-20 (Pew Bible page 952) Be filled with the Spirit, singing to God and always giving thanks. John 6:51-58 (Pew Bible page 868) Jesus says: My flesh and blood are food and drink for eternal life.*

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are delighted to have you with us today! We invite you to join us for a time of fellowship and light refreshments immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in Hager Hall. Large print bulletins and large print hymnals are available from the ushers. Hearing devices are also available. Please ask for one at the sound booth. Should your hearing device not work properly; please notify the sound technician for a replacement.

**HAVE CHILDREN?** A professionally staffed nursery is available for children age 3 and younger off the courtyard next to the Highlander Room. Coloring pages for children to use in worship are also available. Contact an usher for information on both. During the 10:30 a.m. service, children through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to come forward during the Children's Lesson in worship and leave afterward for their class.

**NEW TO FIRST CHURCH?** Thank you for being our guest today! We would like to offer you as a gift one of our Blue Welcome Bags. They are found at the front after worship today. Pastor David will be nearby. He hopes you will introduce yourself to him before you leave. Thank you again for joining us today. We are happy to share our love of Jesus Christ with you.

**LIKE TO KNOW MORE?** For more information about First Church, its ministry and mission, and how you can learn and grow with us, you can see the announcements in this bulletin, go to our website ([www.fpcdunedin.org](http://www.fpcdunedin.org)), where we post our monthly newsletter, *The Voice*, find us on Facebook or contact the church office. We also invite you to fill out the Friendship Register you will find near your seat and share as much contact information as you would like. We are glad you are here!

**FIRST FRIENDS PRESCHOOL OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DUNEDIN** offers Christian based curriculum for ages 1-5 and the Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Program. Call 727-733-2111 for more information. Visit the website at [www.firstfriendspreschool.net](http://www.firstfriendspreschool.net) or like us on Facebook @ First Friends Preschool – Dunedin Florida.

**PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP**

USHERS: John Ralph, Deborah Kynes, Patti Coleman, Susanne Wilde  
LITURGIST: Deborah Kynes  
SOUND TECHNICIANS: Carin Gow and Jeff Cockrell

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY**

Eric and Rebecca Houghton in memory of Eric’s parents, Alan and Claire Houghton  
Dave Rodman in memory of his parents, Richard and Jean Rodman

**TODAY’S OPPORTUNITIES**

8:45 a.m. – Worship Café  
9:30 a.m. – Searcher Sunday School Class – Eric Houghton  
9:30 a.m. – Foundation Sunday School Class  
10:00 a.m. – Summer Choir Rehearsal  
10:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship  
11:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hour

**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

Monday (13 <sup>th</sup> )	10:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Women’s Council
Tuesday (14 <sup>th</sup> )	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship and Hospitality
	11:00 a.m.	Preschool Committee
Wednesday (15 <sup>th</sup> )	7:00 p.m.	AA
	<b>DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER VOICE ARTICLES!</b>	
	10:00 a.m.	Island Park Board Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Senior Exercise
Thursday (16 <sup>th</sup> )	7:00 p.m.	Video Club
	11:00 a.m.	OA
Friday (17 <sup>th</sup> )	8:00 p.m.	NA
	6:30 p.m.	AA
Saturday (18 <sup>th</sup> )	6:30 p.m.	Game Night
	7:00 p.m.	AA

**CHURCH SECURITY**

First Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone, but we must maintain security on our property. The doors to the north end of Hager Hall will now remain locked during office hours. We are asking that members, visitors, etc. come by the front office to sign a “guest/visitor log”.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME REV. DR. TOM HARP** who is our guest minister today. After 38 years in ordained ministry, Dr. Thomas P. Harp retired from the Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church in Naples, FL at the end of October 2012 having served as its Pastor, Head of Staff, for over 16 years.

**THE VIDEO CLUB** will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 15 at Panera Bread Co. We will return to the church at approximately 7:00 to watch the second half of *I Can Only Imagine*.

**THRESHERS GAME AND CONCERT INSERT** Check out the information on the insert in your bulletin! Deadline to purchase your ticket is next Sunday, August 19. Call the church office at 727-733-2318 to make your reservation. (Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church.)

**DIALOGUES: A SMALL GROUP ENCOUNTER – DATE CHANGEchurchchurchj** Monday, August 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. – Church Library. Dr. Merry Lynn Morris, Assistant Director for the Dance Program at the University of South Florida, will be leading a discussion of Arthur Frank’s book, *The Wounded Storyteller: Body, Illness, and Ethics*. Frank recounts a stirring collection of illness stories that are more than accounts of personal suffering: they abound with moral choices and point to a social ethic. Merry Lynn has used Frank’s text as a source of inspiration for her own creative and scholarly work to facilitate artistic expression and healthy mobility among disabled dancers. Copies of Frank’s book may be obtained from the church library or are available on Kindle through Amazon Digital Services.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)

- *Family and friends of Florence Shelor, Pastor Shelor’s mother, who died August 6*
- *Dana Garlick at home following surgery*
- *Liz Bailey undergoing radiation treatments*
- *Debby Womack, sister of Candy Barnette, diagnosed with Parkinson’s*
- *Herbert Russcol, friend of Nancy Klopp*
- *Billie Cooper, aunt of Jeff Cockrell diagnosed with ALS*

For continued healing: Sally King, Richard Garlick, Joyce Swan, Matthew Lanier, John Willmarth, Beth Hoffer

*Church Attendance on Sunday, August 5, 2018 - Worship Café 29; Traditional 81*

*Is God in your will?*