

*The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 21, 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 104:1-9, 24, 35 (Pew Bible pages 483-484) Bless the Lord: sovereign over all things, wrapped in glorious light. Job 38:1-7 (34-41) (Pew Bible pages 420-421) From the whirlwind, the Lord answers Job: Who else is like God? Hebrews 5:1-10 (Pew Bible page 973) The Son of God suffered willingly: now he is our great high priest. Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible page 823) Jesus came to be a servant and to give his life for others.*

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
GREETING**

PRELUDE "Variation on AUSTRIA" Lind

INTROIT (Hymn #421) "The Church of Christ in Every Age" Wareham

ALL: The church of Christ in every age, beset by change but Spirit led,
must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.
We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord:
to care for all, without reserve, and spread Christ's liberating word.

OPENING SENTENCES (from Psalm 104)

LEADER: Bless the Lord, O, my soul! O Lord, my God, how great you are!
PEOPLE: Beautifully, gloriously robed, dressed up in sunshine, and all heaven stretched out for your tent.
LEADER: You built your palace on the ocean depths, made a chariot out of clouds and ride on the wings of the wind.
PEOPLE: You commandeered winds as messengers, appointed fire and flame as ambassadors.

LEADER: Mountains pushed up, valleys spread out in the places you assigned for them.
You set boundaries between earth and sea.
PEOPLE: What a wildly wonderful world, O God! You made it all, with Wisdom at your side. Praise the Lord!

***HYMN #285** "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets" Austrian Hymn

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord Jesus Christ, servant of all, how embarrassed we are when you call us to be servants! We work very hard to get our own way. We want to sit in the best seat and be respected by everyone. Even when we try to follow you, we think about how good we will look. In your mercy, forgive us. In the power of your Spirit, transform us. Shape us into people who can love and serve others. (*silent confession*)

***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 LESSON

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Job 38:1-7 (Pew Bible pages 420-421)
The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Rejoice, the Lord is King" Archer

GOSPEL READING Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible page 823)
The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON "Downward Mobility" Rev. Dr. David K. Shelor

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The 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.

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“Wondrous Love”

arr. Powell

***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 #85**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

Wondrous Love

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“Tocatta and Fugue in d”

J. S. Bach

For some, the Postlude serves as festive music to accompany their going out into the world. Others prefer to remain seated and listen. 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, October 28, 2018 will be the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. The lectionary scriptures will be: Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35 (Pew Bible pages 483-484) Bless the Lord: sovereign over all things, wrapped in glorious light. Job 38:1-7 (34-41) Pew Bible pages 420-421) From the whirlwind, the Lord answers Job: Who else is like God? Hebrews 5:1-10 (Pew Bible page 973) The Son of God suffered willingly; now he is our great high priest. Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible page 823) Jesus came to be a servant and to give his life for others.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome! It is good to be together as a community while we worship in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Following the service, there will be a time of light refreshments and further conversation and connection with one another in Hager Hall. The easiest way to access the hall from the sanctuary is through the doors closest to the pulpit and to the right.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER – You are invited to fill out the Friendship Register with as much information as you are comfortable in haring. It can be found at the center end of each pew. As it is returned to the center aisle, please take time to look at the names of others with whom you are sitting. It can be a good feeling to call someone by their name, even though you are just meeting them, and it is a reminder that, this morning, we are all part of God’s community together.

HAVE CHILDREN? – A professionally staffed nursery is available for children age 3 and younger in the Nursery Room, off the Courtyard. Coloring pages for use in worship are also available. Ask an usher about both. After the beginning of worship, children through 5th grade will be invited to attend “Sonshine Mountain,” a time of fun and faith just for them. They will be returned to meet their families in Hager Hall following worship.

NEW TO FIRST CHURCH? – Thank you for being here today! Your presence adds to this experience of worship. Please introduce yourself to the folks around you and to Pastor David. If you’d like, you are welcome to identify yourself with the “Visitor” stickers found in the Friendship Register. At the close of worship, please feel free to take a Blue Welcome Bag, which includes a small gift and further information about First Church. They can be found at the front.

LIKE TO KNOW MORE? – For more information about First Presbyterian Church, its ministry and mission, and how we can grow and learn together, please:

- See the announcements in this bulletin
- Go to the church website (www.fpcdunedin.org)
- Read the monthly newsletter, *The Voice*, found at various information tables here and on the church website.
- Find us on Facebook
- Contact the church office (727-733-2318, frontoffice@fpcdunedin.org)

THOSE WITH VISION OR HEARING IMPAIRMENTS – Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers. Hearing assistive devices are also available at the sound booth.

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 or like us on Facebook @ First Friends Preschool – Dunedin Florida.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

USHERS: John Ralph, Susanne Wilde, Dean Pearce, Jeff Cockrell

LITURGIST: Alan Frazer

SOUND TECHNICIANS: Dave Thomas and Jeff Cockrell

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

Stephen L. Allen in appreciation of all the office volunteers

TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES

8:45 a.m. – Worship Café

9:00 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School

9:30 a.m. – Exchange Forum

9:30 a.m. – Searcher Sunday School Class – Eric Houghton

10:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship

10:50 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School

11:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hour

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Monday (22 nd)	8:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
	7:00 p.m.	PipeScreams Rehearsal
Tuesday (23 rd)	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	AA
Wednesday (24 th)	11:00 a.m.	Senior Exercise Class
	6:30 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Video Club
Thursday (25 th)	11:00 a.m.	OA
	11:00 a.m.	Preschool Music
	6:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
	8:00 p.m.	NA
Friday (26 th)	5:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat
	6:30 p.m.	AA
	7:00 p.m.	PipeScreams
Saturday (27 th)	7:00 p.m.	AA

THE PRAYER WALKERS begin their 7th year of walking together in silence on Monday, October 22. We meet in the church parking at 8:30 a.m. and after a short prayer walk from the church to the Pinellas Trail and then along Victoria Avenue. Coffee and conversation follow on Broadway. It is a beautiful and comforting way to begin the week. We would welcome new walkers warmly. For more information call Nancy Christy at 727-726-6684

THE VIDEO CLUB will meet for dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24 at Chatterbox Restaurant. We will meet in the library at approximately 7:00 to watch the second half of *The Way Home*.

THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR will be hosted each Sunday in October by the Searchers Class! Please come to Hager Hall at 11:30, immediately following the traditional worship service, to meet some of the members of this vibrant and inquisitive class, to visit with friends old and new, and enjoy some light refreshment. We thank the Searchers Class for hosting our October Fellowship Hour.

WHERE HAVE ALL THE WINDOWS GONE? Well, only one is gone now. It is the “test” unit which will serve to determine how the others are restored to their full glory. After 57 years they have developed sags, cracks, scratches, and other infirmities which need to be addressed. A new clear protective pane will be put in place to protect them, so while they are gone, we will have clear windows. After they have been removed, there will be an item in each week’s bulletin to describe the symbolism of one of the windows. The window which has been removed is known as “The Scriptures” and in the circle at the center of the Celtic cross is an image of an open Bible. God is revealed through His Word, “Thy Word giveth light”.

BUILDING PLAN EXCHANGE FORUMS A series of Exchange Forums has been set up with the purpose of informing the members of FPC about the Building Plan and to open up dialogue to aid in clarifying any misunderstands about the Plan. Meetings will take place in Hager Hall October 21st, November 11th, and December 16th between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Each forum will cover a different topic. The October 21st forum will focus on the selling of the Green property. Mark your calendars. The Building Team looks forward to addressing your concerns about the project.

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.)

- Joyce Swan undergoing treatment for lung cancer

For continued healing: Liz Bailey, Sally King, Richard Garlick, Matthew Lanier, John Willmarth, Beth Hoffer, Debby Womack, Herbert Russcol, Billie Cooper

Church Attendance on October 14, 2018 - Worship Café 53; Traditional 85

Is God in your will?