

First Presbyterian Church in Pitman

*"God's Open House"*

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Worship Service @ 10 AM  
**with communion on the first**  
**Sunday of the month**

**Sunday School: 10:20-11:05 AM**

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The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ  
All Saints' Day, Get Out the Vote Sunday,  
& the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sunday, November 6, 2016 @ 10 AM – Rev. Paul Grenier

**For Prayer & Contemplation**

"If we desire a society of peace, then we cannot achieve such a society through violence. If we desire a society without discrimination, then we must not discriminate against anyone in the process of this society. If we desire a society that is democratic, then democracy must become a means as well as an end." *Bayard Rustin*

**Welcome & Sharing Information** Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

**Prelude** "Tribute" – Phillips

*\*During the prelude you are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary and place a token of remembrance on the special alter table to give thanks for the legacy of a loved one passed and acknowledged his or her presence in the communion of saints. (If you did not bring an item you may write your loved one's name on the cards in the pew.)*

**Call to Worship** *Psalms 145:1-5, 18-22*

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; so we will bless your name for ever and ever.

**All: Past generations have declared your power, and we shall praise your works to succeeding generations.**

One: Come let us ponder the glorious splendor of God and all God's marvelous works.

**All: The Lord is righteous in all ways and loving in all his works.**

One: The Lord is near to all those who call upon him faithfully.

**All: The Lord hears our cry and helps us in times of trial.**

One: The Lord fulfills the desire of those who trust in God.

**All: Let all flesh bless the Holy Name of God for ever and ever.**

**\*Hymn No. 643** "Now Thank We All Our God"

**Prayer of Renewal**

Holy One, we live in fearful times. Suicide bombers, terrorists, climate change, economic crises—these are overwhelming realities. Hold us in our fears and help us to overcome them with love, truth, and justice. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters of the same country, one and equal in dignity. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of future children, and those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of reason behind the ads. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth.

**A Time of Silent Prayer**

**Unison Assurance of Forgiveness**

No matter the result, help us to keep our heads, so that we can continue to listen to each other, to hear past hateful words and calm underlying fears. Hold us in your love, and remind us that you never leave us. Ever. Help us to live as our best selves, even as others try to bring out our most fear-driven traits. Keep us listening respectfully, even to those with whom we disagree. There is room for all of us in your creation. Thank you for your love; may it sustain us always in working for your realm. Amen.

**\*Hymn No. 582** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be Amen.

**We Share the Peace of Christ**

**Anthem** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" - arr. Wold, *Sunshine Singers*

**Time with Children**

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

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

**Children: God be with you here.**

**Scripture** Luke 6:20-31 (NT 64 / LP 78)

**Sermon** "Who Would Jesus Vote For?" –Rev. C. Paul Grenier

**Presentation of Tithes/Offering**

**Offertory** "Now Thank We All Our God" - arr. Honore

**\*Doxology No. 606**

**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.**

**\*Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**May this offering be worthy of our forbearers and a blessing to the generation to come. Amen.**

**Minute for Mission** *Stewardship*, presented by Suzanne Carson

**The Sacrament of Communion with Christ & All Souls of the Church**

**Invitation to Communion**

**Remembering All Souls in Communion**

*\*After each name please say, "We remember you and pray for the day when we will meet again."*

*Stephen Shannon*

*Virginia Fleming*

*Virginia Webb*

*Pauline Peters*

*Earl Warner*

*Leslie Smathers*

*Thomas Krug, Jr.*

*Elizabeth Mixner*

**Blessing**

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

One: Spirit of the living God, make us one,

**All: As we partake in your gifts to us so we may be in communion with you and one another.**

One: As we break bread together,

**All: May our eyes be opened to see your glory.**

One: As we lift the cup of salvation,

**All: May we be strengthened to follow your way until Christ comes in final victory and we feast together with all the saints at an eternal reunion.**

*(Responsive Prayer continues on next page...)*

(...continued...)

One: As your Church, we pray for your hurting world where wars rage and violence triumphs.

**All: We lift before you our prayer for the health of all nations; that all people may flourish and know your love, so that your peace will abound.**

One: We pray for the upcoming elections in our country, for all people in positions of power over others' lives.

**All: May your will be done. May your Kingdom come, for you are our Lord.**

One: We pray for those who grieve and for those struggling to live the fullness of your resurrection.

**All: Send forth comfort as only you can give.**

One: Forgive our sin, O Lord, as we forgive others.

**All: Work with who we are, where we are, to form these clay pots into vessels of living praise, that our lives may participate in the same unending song of the universe raised by all the saints,**

One: Through Christ with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

**All: All glory and honor and praise are yours almighty God, now and forevermore. Amen.**

**The Institution of the Elements** Rev. Paul Grenier

**\*Hymn No. 525** "Let Us Break Bread Together" (Communion Servers, please come forward.)

*\*When the hymn is finished, please form two lines to receive Communion through intinction.*

**The Sharing of the Supper**

**Scripture** Revelation 7:9-17 (NT 249-250 / LP 303)

**The Prayer After Communion**

**We will not despair, for we are not alone. Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne. All praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!**

**\*Hymn No. 326** "For All the Saints"

**Benediction**

**Benediction Hymn No. 748** "Go with Us, Lord"

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.**

*\*Our benediction choral response is sung to a tune called "Tallis' Canon." Composed by Thomas Tallis, it is called a canon because it is written in a style of imitation also known as a round. The organ accompaniment supports congregational singing of the tune starting on the first beat, and a secondary entrance of the same tune 4 beats later. You are welcome to join in at either time!*

**Postlude** "Now Thank We All Our God" - arr. Corl

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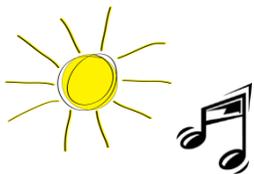
*\*Please stand as you are able.*

All are welcome (children, too!) to enjoy coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall following worship.

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Fred & Doris Oltmann, the family of Betty Mixner, Carol Owens, the family of Kevin & Liz Gianfortune, Colleen Printy, Kay Euler, Gary Wriggins, Cathy Russo, Debby Guarni, the family of Leslie Smathers, Jackie Kummer, Jennette Roesly, Jim McNabb, Marie Roberts, Deborah McLaverty, the family of Earl Warner, Robert Kressly, John Tignor, Nic Albadine, Dot Clay, Dorothy Weir, Rachel Ledden-Albadine, Betzaida Plaza, Kyle Hayes, Lorraine Kaltreider, Renee Farrell, Glenn Raudenbush, George Gruber, Eric King, Erin Fitzpatrick, Montana Lovelace-LaPierre*

Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Communion Servers	Jim Smathers, Patty Januszewski, Stephen Hwang, Karen Daly
Acolyte	Jordan Riggs
Liturgists	Sunday School Children
Ushers	Mildred Haines, Peggy Price, Sunday School Children
Greeter	Judy Reed
Tellers	Carol Schoepske, Bobbi Wilkins, Bob Webb
Officer of the Month	Karen Daly



## MUSIC NOTES

Today's prelude was written by Craig Phillips, who was named the American Guild of Organists Distinguished Composer for 2012. The postlude is Matthew Corl's 2015 arrangement of the tune "Nun Danket Alle Gott," originally written by Johann Cruger in 1647. We thank the Sunshine Singers and Linda Richardson for sharing special music with us this morning.

## BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

November 6 to 13

- 6** Ellen Koenig, Cathy Russo
- 7** Benzakary Sanker
- 8** Dave Nicastro
- 10** Julia Fisher
- 11** Bill Love
- 12** Betsy Wriggins, Linda Richardson
- 13** Roy Langlois



*Happy  
Birthday!*



**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**  
November 6 to 13

Sunday 6	<b>10 AM</b> Worship/All Saints' Celebration <b>11:15 AM</b> Sunshine Singers Rehearsal <b>11:15 AM</b> Deacons – ML <b>6 PM</b> Youth Group – Social Hall
Monday 7	<b>7 PM</b> Session – ML <b>7 PM</b> Weekday Preschool Board Mtg. <b>7:30 PM</b> CROP Walk Meeting – Library
Tuesday 8	
Wednesday 9	<b>8 AM</b> Trustees – Library <b>7 PM</b> Pastor Nominating Cmmte. – ML
Thursday 10	<b>7 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal <b>8 PM</b> Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday 11	<i>Veterans Day</i>
Saturday 12	<b>9:30 AM</b> PW Core Board
Sunday 13	<b>8:30 AM</b> Deacons' Breakfast for Veterans – Social Hall <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>11:15 AM</b> Sunshine Singers Rehearsal