

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
 The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
 Sunday, July 9, 2017 | 10 AM | Rev. Paul Grenier

For Prayer & Contemplation

“Good and evil both increase at compound interest. That is why the little decisions you and I make every day are of such infinite importance. The smallest good act today is the capture of a strategic point from which, a few months later, you may be able to go on to victories you never dreamed of. An apparently trivial indulgence in lust or anger today is the loss of a ridge or railway line or bridgehead from which the enemy may launch an attack otherwise impossible.” -C.S. Lewis

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Here I Am, Lord” - arr. Farlee

Call to Worship

One: Today is a new day, and we come together to worship the Lord.

All: We will be faithful, and turn to the Lord whatever the day may bring.

One: We thank God in times of great gladness.

All: We rejoice and the heavens echo with our songs of praise!

One: We call out to God in times of great trouble.

All: We cry out and the Lord hears our sorrow.

One: Today is the day that the Lord has made! Let us be glad and rejoice in it!

All: Let us sing to the Lord our God today, and all the days of our lives! Amen.

***Hymn No. 834** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Prayer of Renewal (Adapted from Romans 7:15-25)

Lord God, come dwell within us, for our spirit is willing but our flesh is weak. I confess that, “I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it alone. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. When I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand.” Thanks be to God that there is a power greater than me that dwells within my heart. Lord God, strengthen me. Renew my spirit and my body so that I can do what I know I should do. And may everything I do be in the name of Jesus Christ always and forever. Amen.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 581** “Glory Be to the Father”

“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.”

Passing of Peace

Anthem/Special Music “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” - arr. Hayes Ed Mitchell and Marilyn Rabbai, piano duet

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture Romans 7:15-25a
 NT 157 | LP 191

Sermon “What Am I Doing?!” –Rev. Paul Grenier

Presentation of Tithes/Offering

Offertory “How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord” - arr. Powell

***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**

Dear Lord, creator of all things, everything on earth is yours. We have nothing that can make you richer, for it all comes from you in the first place. But what we have, we bring – the acknowledgment that we live thanks to you, and that without you we have nothing, and can do nothing. We ask that you receive and bless these gifts for your holy work, and bless those who offer them to you. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Please contact the church office for a copy of the prayer list.

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 No. 69** “Here I am Lord”

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 295 “Go to the World!”

“Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry ‘Amen!’ Alleluia. Alleluia.”

Postlude “Joyful, Joyful” - arr. Behnke

*Please stand as you are able.

Please be advised that our worship service is filmed from the balcony. Though the camera’s focus is primarily on the chancel, there are wide shots that may include parts of the congregation sitting near the front.

Please promptly pick your children up from Sunday School at the conclusion of our worship service, and join us for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall – all are welcome!

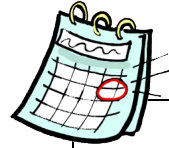


Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Liturgist	Karen Daly
Greeter	Jean Brod
Ushers	Bev Donofrio, Karen Daly, Bobbi Wilkins, Margaret Ginter
Tellers	Jean Brod, Bobbi Wilkins, Darlene Powell



Music Notes

Today's prelude is Robert Buckley Farlee's arrangement of a favorite contemporary hymn by Daniel L. Shutte. The postlude and special music are based on "Ode to Joy," the theme of the final movement of Ludwig van Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. We thank Ed Mitchell for sharing special music with us this morning.



This Week's Calendar | July 9-16

Sunday 9	10 AM Worship
Monday 10	7 PM Property Committee – Library
Tuesday 11	
Wednesday 12	4:30 PM Summer Lunch Distribution – Memorial Lounge
Thursday 13	
Friday 14	
Saturday 15	5 PM Open House/Dinner with Pastor Candidate and Family – Social Hall
Sunday 16	10 AM Worship with Pastor Candidate 11:15 AM Congregational Mtg./Vote – Sanctuary

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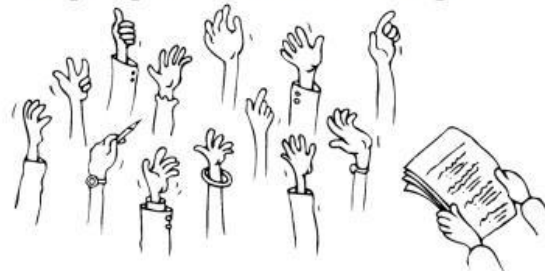
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This Week's Birthdays

July 9	Cleo Zimmerman
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July 11	Linda Waller
July 12	Grace Hulitt
July 14	Nina Flemming
July 16	Dan Riccio
<i>May God bless you on your birthday.</i>	

Special Congregational Meeting



*-Sunday, July 16, 2017 following worship service-
Business is limited to voting for our candidate for pastor and the Terms of Call. Please arrange to attend this important meeting.*



Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM
Communion on the first Sunday of the month
Sunday School every week, 10:20-11:05 AM

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