

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
& the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sunday, September 3, 2017 | 10 AM | Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

'Had anyone suggested at the time that it would not be the Egypt of the pharaohs that would survive and change the moral landscape of the world, but instead a group of Hebrew slaves, it would have seemed the ultimate absurdity.' -Sheila Heti, *How Should a Person Be*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "There in God's Garden" - arr. Cherwien

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 105:1-3)

One: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,

All: Make known his deeds among the peoples.

One: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

All: Tell of all his wonderful works.

One: Glory in his holy name;

All: Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

***Hymn No. 226** "There in God's Garden"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and forgive our sins. Shape us into vessels of your grace, that we may love others as generously as you love us.

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 "As the Deer" - arr. Carter

Piano duet: Edwin Mitchell and Marilyn Rabbai

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

First Reading: Romans 12:9-21 NT 162 LP 197

Second Reading: Exodus 3:1-15 OT 50 LP 62

Sermon "On the Burning Bush" -Rev. Drew Harrison

Presentation of Tithes/Offering

Offertory "One Bread, One Body" - arr. Schmoltze

***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**

Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Pastoral Prayer

One: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

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.

Words of Institution Rev. Drew Harrison

***Communion Hymn No. 530** "One Bread, One Body"

(Communion Servers, please come forward.)

Ushers will direct the congregation to come forward by pews, forming two lines to receive communion through intinction.

The Sharing of the Supper

Unison Prayer After Communion

God of all, thank you for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Now send us out into the world to tell everyone about your love. Amen.

***Hymn No. 49** "The God of Abraham Praise"

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 62 "Love the Lord Your God"

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart. Love the Lord your God with all your soul. Love the Lord your God with all your mind. Love the Lord your God with all that you are."

Postlude "The God of Abraham Praise" - arr. Callahan

**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.

Coffee Hour

Every Sunday, please join us in the Social Hall following worship service for coffee and fellowship at "Coffee Hour." All are welcome.

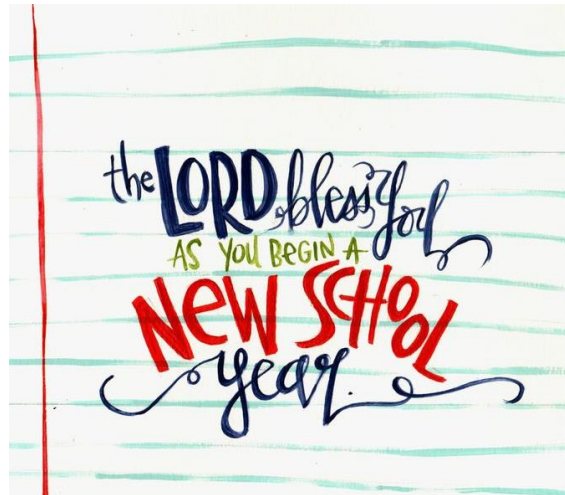


Music Notes

Today's prelude is based on the tune "Shades Mountain," originally written in 1987 by K. Lee Scott. The offertory is Ron Schmoltze's 2004 setting of a tune written in 1978 by John Foley, SJ. The postlude is Charles Callahan's set of two variations on a traditional Jewish tune, known as both "Leoni" and "Yigdal." We thank Edwin Mitchell for sharing special music with us this morning.

Thank you to our Worship Servers

Communion Servers	Linda Richardson, Mike Jurkiewicz, Connie Bradley, Karen Daly
Acolyte	Matthew Hwang
Liturgist	Darlene Powell
Greeter	Doris Ducat
Ushers	Linda Waller, Karen Daly, Peggy Price
Tellers	Bobbi Wilkins, Nancy Stewart, Darlene Powell



This Week's Birthdays

September 3	Dave Gerace
September 4	Scott Campbell
September 4	Ron Griffith
September 5	Gavin Tappin
September 6	David Eastman
September 7	Keri Leach
September 8	Anna Bogardus
September 9	Elaine Scheez
<i>May God bless you on your birthday.</i>	

This Week's Calendar | September 3-10

Sunday September 3	8:30 AM Deacons – Memorial Lounge 10 AM Worship
Monday September 4	Labor Day – Church Office Closed
Tuesday September 5	Weekday Preschool First Day of School
Wednesday September 6	
Thursday September 7	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Kick Off Party
Friday September 8	
Saturday September 9	9:30 AM PW Core Board – Upstairs Kitchen
Sunday September 10	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Kick Off Pizza Party 11:30 AM Deacon's Homecoming Lunch – Social Hall

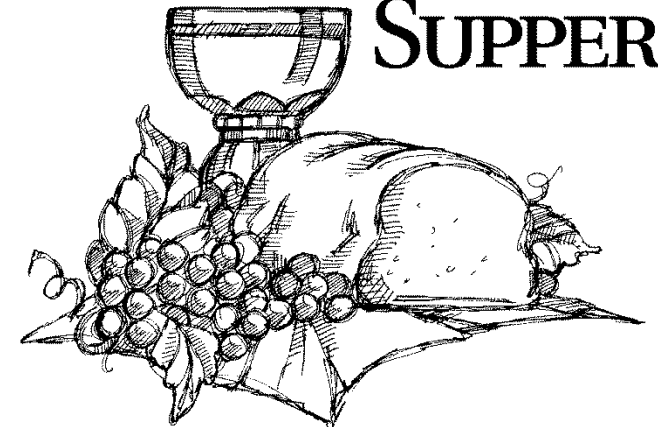


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THE LORD'S SUPPER



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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