

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 19, 2017 | 10 AM | Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

Money and possessions belong to God and are held in trust by human persons in community. In church practice, it is this claim that stands behind all thinking about stewardship . . . In biblical faith, what human persons “possess” is in fact held in trust by God, who is the legal, entitled owner. Thus the Psalmist can gladly assent: “The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it.”

- *Walter Brueggemann*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” – arr. Osterland

Call to Worship

(Psalm 24:1-4)

One: The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it,
the world and those who live in it;

**All: for God has founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.**

One: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?

**All: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.**

***Hymn No. 526** “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Prayer of Confession

God of plenty,
we confess that we have sinned against you
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have held our treasures close,
and put you at arm’s length.
We live in fear of not having enough.
We have been unwilling to be generous,
even as your blessings surround us.

Forgive us, Lord.
Teach us to trust in your providence,
be confident in your grace,
and follow your son Jesus Christ,

whose life provides the model for us all.

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 Sanctuary Choir - “Harvest Carol” - Ray

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: *Judges 4:1-9*

OT 220 LP 273

Second Reading: *Matthew 25:14-30*

NT 28 LP 34

Sermon “Moving Forward” –Rev. Drew Harrison

Minute for Mission

Invitation to Offering

Offertory “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” - arr. Cherwien

***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.

Prayer of Dedication

All that is ours is from you, Lord. Accept these gifts that we offer up in gratitude. Teach us how to use all our gifts to love and serve 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. 700** “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

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 “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” - arr. Corl

**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.



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

Flowers were offered this week in loving memory of Dorothy and Wallace Owen’s wedding anniversary and were given by Barry, Merri and Meredith Owen.



November 19	Peggy Price
November 20	Caden Luby
<i>May God bless you on your birthday.</i>	



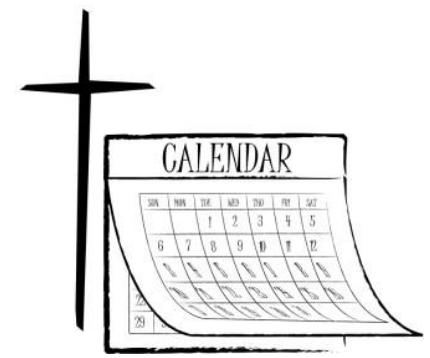
Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Liturgist	Patty Januszewski
Greeter	Elaine Scheetz
Ushers	Sue LaPierre, Dave Nicastro, John Fitzpatrick, Carol Schoepske
Tellers	Carol Schoepske, Terri Lovelace, John Fitzpatrick
Acolyte	Rayleigh Wichart



Music Notes

Today's prelude is a contemporary setting of a 17th century chorale, and comes from a 2016 publication called "A Wittenburg Collection: Lutheran Chorales for Organ" by Karl Osterland. The postlude is Matthew Corl's 2016 toccata (touch-piece) based upon the hymn tune "Grosser Gott." We thank the

Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.



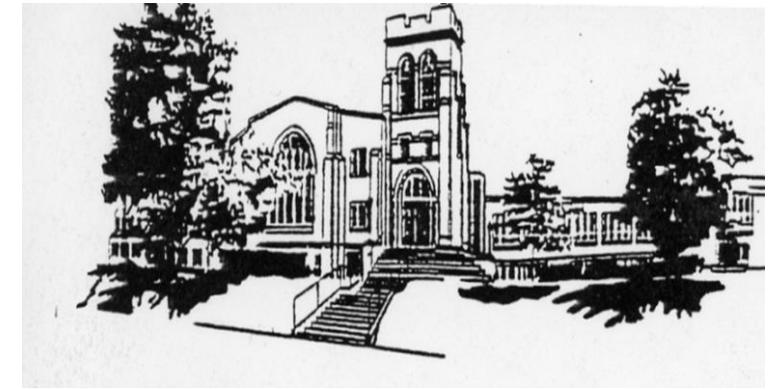
This Week's Calendar | November 19-25

<i>Sunday</i> November 19	Mission Market Samaritan's Purses boxes due for PW 10am Worship 1115am Christian Education – Upstairs Kitchen 1115am Sunshine Singers 5pm Jazz Vespers 7pm Lite-Bites – Social Hall
<i>Monday</i> November 20	
<i>Tuesday</i> November 21	530pm Youth Group – Social Hall 7pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service – Mary Mother of Mercy 8pm Reception – Lady's Hall
<i>Wednesday</i> November 22	8am Trustees
<i>Thursday</i> November 23	Thanksgiving Church Office closed
<i>Friday</i> November 24	Church Office closed
<i>Saturday</i> November 25	

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

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