

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, January 28, 2018 | 10 AM | Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

To show compassion for an individual without showing concern for the structures of society that make him an object of compassion is to be sentimental rather than loving. -*William Sloane Coffin*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit" - arr. Powell

Call to Worship (*Psalm 111:1,9-10*)

One: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

All: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

One: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

All: Let us worship God.

***Hymn No. 263** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,
 you love us, but we have not loved you.
 You call, but we have not listened.
 We walk away from neighbors in need,
 wrapped in our own concerns.
 We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin,
 so that as you come to us in mercy,
 we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
 through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 583** "Glory to God"
 "Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!"

Passing of Peace

Anthem "In Christ There Is No East or West" - arr. Page
Tyler Bell Choir

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: *1 Corinthians 8:1-13* NT 171 LP 208

Second Reading: *Mark 1:21-28* NT 35 LP 43

Sermon "Authority" -Rev. Drew Harrison

Prayer and Meditation

Invitation to Offering

Offertory "Take My Life, That I May Be" - arr. Titus

***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**

O Lord, your love is the greatest gift we can receive, because it transforms our lives. Take these gifts and transform them into generous expressions of your love.

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. 181** "Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit"

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 545 "Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace"
 "Lord, bid your servant go in peace; your word is now fulfilled. These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold. This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles' promised light, God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel."

Postlude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" - arr. Ashdown

***** **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 join us in the Social Hall after the service for Coffee Hour! All adults and children are welcome.



Ushers & Greeters



Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Liturgist	Sue Hummel
Greeter	Judy Reed
Ushers	Denny Meudt, Pat Meudt, Carol Schoepske, John Fitzpatrick
Tellers	Liz Degori, John Fitzpatrick, Terri Lovelace



Music Notes

Today's prelude is Robert Powell's 2013 setting of the tune "Ebenezer," written by Welsh composer Thomas J. Williams (1869-1944). It has inspired many composers and arrangers through the years. The offertory is a Spanish tune, "Toma Mi Voluntad," set in a contemporary style in 2012 by gospel pianist Hiram Titus. It was recorded in 2015 by the St. Olaf Gospel Choir. We thank the Tyler Bell Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.



<i>This Week's Calendar January 28-February 4</i>	
<i>Sunday</i> January 28	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice 11:15 AM Mission Trip Planning Mtg. – Coffee Hour 11:30 AM Family Promise Volunteer Training – SH 5 PM Jazz Vespers – Sanctuary/Reception in SH
<i>Monday</i> January 29	
<i>Tuesday</i> January 30	
<i>Wednesday</i> January 31	
<i>Thursday</i> February 1	6 PM Girl Scouts – Upstairs Kitchen 7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<i>Friday</i> February 2	
<i>Saturday</i> February 3	
<i>Sunday</i> February 4	8:30 AM Deacons – Memorial Lounge 10 AM Worship (Communion) 11 AM Congregational Meeting – Sanctuary 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This Week's Birthdays

January 28	Janet Burke
January 29	Dan Lovelace
January 29	Ayden Putz
February 4	Matthew Hwang

May God bless you on your birthday.



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