

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
Sunday, July 7, 2019 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

**For Prayer & Contemplation**

"The struggle itself toward the heights is enough to fill a man's heart."  
-Albert Camus

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

**Prelude** "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" - arr. J. Bert Carlson

**Call to Worship**

One: Sing praises to the Lord, you faithful people  
and give thanks for what God has done

All: For God's anger is but for a moment; God's favor is for a  
lifetime.  
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the  
morning.

One: You have turned my mourning into dancing;  
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

All: You have done so much for us,  
that we cannot be silent,  
and we will sing your praises forever.

\***Hymn No. 432** "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

**Prayer of Confession** (Thom Shuman)

Holy One,  
why is it that we can grow so weary of doing what is right,  
yet always energetically do that which we know is harmful  
to us and others?

We sow seeds of hurt and anger,  
and wonder why we harvest so much bitterness.  
We spend too much time comparing ourselves to those around us,  
and too few moments in following Christ's example.

Rather than letting our sins gloat over us, Healing God,  
we would open ourselves to your mercy and grace.  
As you reach out to heal us with your forgiveness,  
may we embrace your love, your mercy, your grace for our lives.  
As you pour out your Spirit of gentleness,  
may we bring the peace of our Lord and Savior,  
Jesus Christ, to all the world.

**Moment of Silence**

**Words of Assurance** (Thom Shuman)

One: Sing praises to our God, faithful children.  
God has heard our prayers and made us whole.

All: We will not be silent,  
but will sing our joy to the One who has forgiven us  
and made us a new creation.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.

\***Hymn No. 584** "Glory, Glory, Glory"

"Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! Glory, glory, glory, glory  
be to God on high! And on earth peace to all people in whom God is  
well pleased. And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well  
pleased."

\***Passing of Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

**Special Music** "The Lone, Wild Bird" - arr. Johnson  
Linda Davis, soloist

**Time with Children** (Dismissal to Sunday School)  
(Children will return during final hymn.)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

**Scripture**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-14 OT 336 LP 416-17

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Galatians 6:1-10 NT 191 LP 233

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Sermon** "Joy" — Rev. Drew Harrison

\***Affirmation of Faith** (A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and  
neighbor, and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage...

to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and  
Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory** "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

- arr. Albin C. Whitworth

\***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**

Lord, we give you thanks for all your gifts. Accept these gifts and  
teach us to be as generous as you are with what we have.

**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**

**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. 525** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

(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**

**Prayer after Communion** (BCW)

Dear God, thank you for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Send us out into the world to welcome everyone, take care of each other, and help people in need. Amen.

\***Hymn No. 835** "Just A Closer Walk with Thee"

**\*Benediction**

\***Benediction Hymn No. 539** "We Will Go Out With Joy" *verse 1 only*

**Postlude** Toccata on "Hymn to Joy" - Beethoven, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

\*\*\*\*\* **Please stand as you are able.** \*\*\*\*\*



<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
July 9	Cleo Zimmerman
July 9	Meg Unger
July 11	Linda Waller
July 12	Grace Hulitt

<i>This Week's Calendar</i> July 7-14	
Sunday July 7	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM New Member Class - Memorial Lounge
Monday July 8	7 PM Property Committee - Church Library
Tuesday July 9	7 PM Invitation & Outreach Committee - Memorial Lounge
Wednesday July 10	4 PM Summer Lunch Program - Memorial Lounge
Thursday July 11	
Friday July 12	7 PM Theology on Tap - Sanctuary/Human Village Brewing Company
Saturday July 13	
Sunday July 14	10 AM Worship

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Karen Daly, Bev Ballard, Elaine Scheetz, Darlene Jacobson
<b>Acolyte</b>	
<b>Liturgist</b>	Darlene Jacobson
<b>Greeter</b>	Joan Wagner
<b>Ushers</b>	Dave Nicastro, Karen Daly, Carol Schoepske, John Fitzpatrick
<b>Tellers</b>	Carol Schoepske, Terri Lovelace, John Fitzpatrick

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## Communion



*Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM*

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