

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, August 18, 2019 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation (*William Sloane Coffin*)

“Beware of ministers who offer you the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought! To picture a God of justice waging germ warfare on sinners and not going after war makers, polluters, slum landlords, drug dealers—all of whose sins affect others so much more profoundly—that’s not distortion of the Gospel, that’s desertion.”

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Prelude on McKee” – arr. J. Bert Carlson

Call to Worship (*Psalms 145:3-5*)

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to your greatness.

All: **One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.**

One: I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.

All: **They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will tell of your greatness.**

***Hymn No. 772** “Live Into Hope”

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace
to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance

One: Hear the good news!
Hope does not disappoint us,
for God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the
Holy Spirit given to us in baptism.
Believe this good news and give thanks!

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

***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 “Beautiful City” from *Godspell* - Schwartz
Tyler Cesario, tenor & Helen Stanley, piano

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

1st Reading: Mark 12:1-9 NT 48 LP 59

2nd Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 NT 634 LP 776

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Bearing Fruit” - Rev. Drew Harrison

***Affirmation of Faith** (*Apostle’s Creed*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead...

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Celebration of Graduates

Invitation to Offering

Offertory “I Love Thee, My Lord” – arr. Douglas E. Wagner

***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 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.

***Hymn No. 766** "The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound"

***Benediction**

***Benediction Hymn No. 539** "We Will Go Out With Joy" v. 1

Postlude "Live Into Hope" – arr. Sam Ellison

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





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Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

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

<i>This Week's Calendar</i> August 18-25	
<i>Sunday</i> August 18	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Meeting – Upstairs Kitchen 11:15 AM Indoor Yard Sale – Weekday Preschool
<i>Monday</i> August 19	
<i>Tuesday</i> August 20	3 PM Third Meal (Community Dinner) – Social Hall
<i>Wednesday</i> August 21	10 AM Joy Circle – Upstairs Kitchen 1 PM Faith Circle – Upstairs Kitchen 4 PM Summer Lunch Program – Memorial Lounge 7 PM Circle of Life – Upstairs Kitchen
<i>Thursday</i> August 22	7:30 PM CROP Walk Meeting – New Church Library
<i>Friday</i> August 23	
<i>Saturday</i> August 24	
<i>Sunday</i> August 25	10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Stephen Ministry – Upstairs Kitchen

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Acolyte	Kendall Wichart
Liturgist	Jacob Hwang
Greeters	Elaine Scheetz, Presley Albadine
Ushers	Nancy Stewart, Margaret Ginter, Mike Ballard, Ed Mitchell
Tellers	Jean Brod, Mike Ballard, Darlene Powell
Coffee Hour Host	Connie Bradley



<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
August 18	Darlene Johnson
August 20	Tyler Lovelace
August 22	Mike Ballard
August 24	Jeff Burke
August 24	Caleb Mead