

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 29, 2019 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

**For Prayer and Contemplation**

'It's easy to quote Old and New Testament mandates to care for the least and the aliens in our midst. But real conversion to our neighbors doesn't begin by declaring ourselves a welcoming space for the homeless or a sanctuary for refugees. It always begins in real, face-to-face relationships. This is the essence of incarnational ministry.' - Rev. John Garland

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

**Prelude** "The God of Abraham Praise" - arr. Wold

**Call to Worship**

One: We are here

**All: to give thanks to our Maker,  
to offer praise, prayer,  
and ourselves to God who loves us.**

One: We are here

**All: to bear each other's burdens  
and so fulfill the law of Christ.**

One: We are here

**All: to see Christ in each other and  
be Christ for each other.**

One: We are here

**All: To be refreshed, renewed, and sent  
to be the love of Christ in the world.**

One: We are here

**All: because we need the love of God,  
and we need to share the love of God.**

\***Hymn No. 326** "For All the Saints"

**Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have tried to keep your blessings for ourselves. We have put up walls around your grace and refused to share it with others. Forgive us, Lord, and restore us to wholeness in our relationships with each other. Make us disciples who proclaim and share your goodness with all.

**Moment of Silence**

**Words of Assurance**

One: The waters of baptism are a sign  
of God's faithfulness.  
We are never outside of God's arms,  
but loved no matter what...

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

\***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**

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Anthem** "Sing for Joy" - Purcell, arr. Hopson  
*Sanctuary Choir & Sunshine Singers*

**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**

*First Reading:* Jeremiah 32:6-15 OT 736  
LP 900-01

*Second Reading:* Romans 12:1-21 NT 161-2  
LP 196-7

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Sermon** "Outward, Incarnational Focus" - 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.**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory** "For All the Saints" - arr. Weber

\***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**

**Generous God, you fill us with good things. In thanks, we offer you  
our hands, our hearts, and our treasures. Use all our gifts so that  
this world might be transformed by your love. Amen.**

**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. 700** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

\***Benediction**

\***Benediction Hymn No. 543** "O Christ, Surround Me" verse 5  
**"Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear  
my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me: O Christ,  
surround me; O Christ surround me."**

**Postlude** "The God of Abraham Praise" - arr. Lubrich



Worship Helpers

*Thank you to our Worship Servers*

<b>Liturgist</b>	Bev Ballard
<b>Ushers</b>	Ed Mitchell, Kelle Franzen, Linda Waller, Karen Daly
<b>Tellers</b>	Glenn Stevick, Steve Langlois, Karen Daly
<b>Coffee Hr. Hosts</b>	Darla Cassidy, Elizabeth Poorman



*Music Notes*

Today's prelude is Wayne Wold's 2018 setting of the tune "Leoni," which is adapted from a 17th century Jewish melody. The postlude is based on the same tune, as we honor the beginning of Rosh Hashana on this day. The offertory is Jacob Weber's 2018 arrangement of the tune "Sine Nomine" (literally, "without a name") originally written by Ralph Vaughan Williams. We thank the Sunshine Singers and Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.



**Check Your Calendar**

*This Week's Calendar*  
September 29-October 6

<i>Sunday</i> September 29	<b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>11:15 AM</b> Sunshine Singers Practice - Music Room <b>4 PM</b> Organists Guild Service - Sanctuary
<i>Monday</i> September 30	
<i>Tuesday</i> October 1	
<i>Wednesday</i> October 2	<b>6 PM</b> PW Fall Soup & Bread Meeting - Social Hall
<i>Thursday</i> October 3	<b>7 PM</b> Bell Choir Practice - Music Room <b>8 PM</b> Sanctuary Choir Practice - Music Room
<i>Friday</i> October 4	
<i>Saturday</i> October 5	
<i>Sunday</i> October 6	<i>World Communion Sunday</i> <b>8:30 AM</b> Deacons Meeting - Social Hall <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>11:15 AM</b> Sunshine Singers Practice - Music Room



*This Week's Birthdays*

<b>September 30</b>	Loren Golden
<b>September 30</b>	Hannah Grace Lindstedt
<b>October 1</b>	Pete Vignola
<b>October 1</b>	Presley Albadine
<b>October 2</b>	Charles Unger
<b>October 3</b>	Suzanne Carson
<b>October 4</b>	Fred Wagner
<b>October 5</b>	Dave Owens
<b>October 6</b>	Becky Roesler



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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