

# The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 19, 2020 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

## For Prayer and Contemplation

“Courage is fear that has said its prayers.” -Karl Barth

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Kum Ba Yah” (Come By Here) - arr. Callahan

## Call to Worship (using Psalm 93, Isaiah 43:2)

One: We have seen the rainbow

All: **The floods have lifted up, O Lord,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their roaring.**

One: We have heard the promise

All: **When we pass through the waters,  
you will be with us.  
We will walk through fire and not be burned.**

One: We proclaim our Savior

All: **Who delivered us from the waters of death  
Into the baptism of eternal life.**

\*Hymn No. 186 “Come Now, You Blessed, Eat At My Table”

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,  
you have promised to save us all,  
but we seek to save ourselves.

We do not trust your promises,  
so we make other plans.

We watch out for ourselves,  
and we give little thought to our neighbors.

Forgive us, Lord.

Gather us back into your fold,  
and lead us like sheep  
to paths of righteousness.

## Moment of Silence

## Words of Assurance (Titus 3:4-5)

One: But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

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 “May Peace Flow” – Miller – *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

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| 1. 1 Peter 3:13-22 | NT 234 | LP 284 |
| 2. Genesis 8:13-22 | OT 7   | LP 8   |

## Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Arks” - Rev. Drew Harrison

\*Affirmation of Faith (from the Westminster Confession, 6.043)

**We believe that it pleased God,  
in God’s eternal purpose,  
to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus,  
God’s only begotten Son,  
to be the mediator between God and humankind,  
the prophet, priest, and king,  
the head and savior of the Church,  
the heir of all things,  
and judge of the world;  
unto whom he did, from all eternity,  
give a people to be his seed,  
and to be by him in time redeemed,...**

called,  
justified,  
sanctified,  
and glorified. Amen.

## Invitation to Offering

Offertory “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” - arr. Childs

\*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

**Holy God, accept these gifts as signs of our gratitude and devotion.  
Help us to lead lives worthy of 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. 769 “For Everyone Born”

## \*Benediction

\*Benediction Hymn No. 545

“Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace” (v1)

**“Lord, bid your servant go in peace; your word is now fulfilled. These eyes have seen salvation’s dawn, this child so long foretold.”**

Postlude “We Shall Overcome” - arr. Haywood

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
<b>Greeter</b>	Doris Ducat
<b>Acolyte</b>	Bailey Wichart
<b>Liturgist</b>	Nancy Polhamus
<b>Ushers</b>	Margaret Ginter, Linda Waller, Karen Daly, Darlene Powell
<b>Tellers</b>	Bev Donofrio, Liz Degori, Darlene Powell
<b>Coffee Hr. Hosts</b>	Lewis Family



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## Music Notes

Today's prelude is Charles Callahan's interpretation of an African American spiritual which became a world-wide celebration of the presence of God. The offertory is Edwin Childs' 2019 setting of the folk hymn tune "Nettleton," which was first published in 1813 in Harrisburg, PA under the name "Halleluiah." The postlude is actually titled "Improvisation on WE SHALL OVERCOME," arranged by Carl Haywood in 2012 and inscribed to "...Mark and Virginia Whitmire and the Martin Luther King Service at St. James's Church, Richmond, Virginia." We thank the Sunshine Singers for sharing special music with us this morning.

<i>This Week's Calendar • January 19-26</i>	
<i>Sunday</i> January 19	<b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>11:15 AM</b> Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room <b>11:15 AM</b> Christian Ed. Committee – Upstairs Kitchen <b>7 PM</b> 'Trouble I've Seen' (Book Study on Racism) – Social Hall
<i>Monday</i> January 20	
<i>Tuesday</i> January 21	<b>5:30 PM</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Meal Community Dinner – Social Hall
<i>Wednesday</i> January 22	<b>8 AM</b> Trustees Meeting – Church Library
<i>Thursday</i> January 23	<b>7 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal – Music Room <b>8 PM</b> Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal – Music Room
<i>Friday</i> January 24	<b>7 PM</b> Comedy Night Show – Social Hall
<i>Saturday</i> January 25	
<i>Sunday</i> January 26	<b>10 AM</b> Worship/Congregational Meeting *No Sunshine Singers Practice* <b>11:30 AM</b> Stephen Ministry – Upstairs Kitchen <b>5 PM</b> Jazz Vespers – Sanctuary/Social Hall Reception



<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
<b>January 19</b>	Daryl Hulitt
<b>January 20</b>	Ryleigh Wichart
<b>January 21</b>	Carly Lovelace
<b>January 21</b>	Jackson Riggs
<b>January 24</b>	Doris Ducat
<b>January 25</b>	Erin Fitzpatrick



*Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM*

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