

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 9, 2020 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer and Contemplation

"To be salt, to be made light for the world, is a call for the church to be visible. For the followers of Jesus, "to flee into invisibility is to deny the call. Any community of Jesus which wants to be invisible is no longer a community that follows him." - Stanley Hauerwas

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Variations on 'Darwall's 148th'" - Callahan

Call to Worship (adapted from Isaiah 58)

One: Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;

All: **You shall cry for help, and God will say, Here I am.**

One: If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,

All: **Then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.**

One: The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong;

All: **You shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.**

One: Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;

All: **You shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.**

*Hymn No. 305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

Prayer of Confession

Christ,
you are the light of the world,
but we confess that we have hidden your light.
We want to fit in to a world that does not know you.
We are afraid to be different.
So we camouflage our Christianity,
and hide your light under a bushel basket.

Restore us Lord.
Take away our fears,
and fill us to bursting with your grace,
so that we will show your light to the world.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (1 Timothy 1:15 adapted)

One: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Christ has come to set us free from our sins.

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 "Child of God" - Miller - *Sanctuary Choir*

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. Romans 12:1-5 | NT 161-2 | LP 196 |
| 2. Matthew 5:13-20 | NT 4 | LP 4-5 |

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Being Distinct Part 1" - Rev. Drew Harrison

*Affirmation of Faith (*Belhar Confession, 10.5*)

We believe

that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ;

that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker,

that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells;...

that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity,
that God's life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and for the world

Invitation to Offering

Offertory "The Church's One Foundation" - arr. Behnke

*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. 321 "The Church's One Foundation"

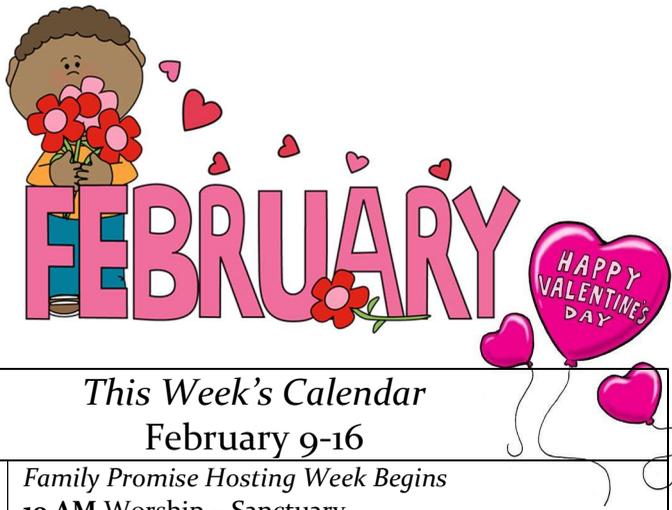
*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 545 (v1) "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."

Postlude "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" - arr. Hopson

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



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Thank you to our Worship Servers

Acolyte	
Greeter	Doris Ducat
Liturgist	Patty Januszewski
Ushers	Bev Donofrio, Mildred Haines, Mike Ballard, Bobbi Wilkins
Tellers	Jean Brod, Mike Ballard, Bobbi Wilkins
Coffee Hr. Host	Staman Family

This Week's Calendar
 February 9-16

<i>Sunday</i> February 9	<i>Family Promise Hosting Week Begins</i> 10 AM Worship – Sanctuary 11:15 AM New Member Class – Memorial Lounge 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room
<i>Monday</i> February 10	7 PM Property Committee – Church Library Upstairs
<i>Tuesday</i> February 11	7 PM Invitation & Outreach – Memorial Lounge
<i>Wednesday</i> February 12	
<i>Thursday</i> February 13	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Men's Bible Study – Church Library Upstairs
<i>Friday</i> February 14	<i>Valentine's Day</i> 7 PM Theology on Tap – Powell Family Home
<i>Saturday</i> February 15	
<i>Sunday</i> February 16	10 AM Worship – Sanctuary 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Committee – Up Kitchen



Music Notes

Today's prelude comes from a set of short variations by Charles Callahan on a hymn tune by John Darwall (1731-1789). This melody was first used as a setting of Psalm 148. The anthem was written in 2014 by Mark A. Miller, who serves as Assistant Professor of Church Music at Drew Theological School, Lecturer in the Practice of Sacred Music at Yale University, and Minister of Music of Christ Church in Summit, New Jersey. We thank the Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.



This Week's Birthdays

February 11	Rachel Corma
February 14	Lauren Staman
February 15	Donna Dietrich
February 15	John Fitzpatrick
February 16	Alan Montgomery

Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

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