

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



June 12, 2022

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Let There Be Joy

Beatrice A. Miller

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

John James

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome all who are weary.

People: God is in this place.

Leader: Welcome all who are seeking.

People: God is in this place.

Leader: Welcome all who are lost.

People: God is in this place.

Leader: Welcome all who are downtrodden.

People: God is in this place.

All: All of us are gathered here in God's place.

* HYMN 2

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

When we deny our sin, we deny ourselves the opportunity to be in open relationship to God. When we fail to accept the consequence of our wrongdoing, we close ourselves to God's redeeming grace. When we fail to listen to the pain of the world around us, we become deaf to God's call. When we seek glory and privilege for ourselves, we move away from the majesty of God. We confess O Lord that you have made us capable of so much more. We ask that you shine your Light upon our souls that we may see the shadows within us and see the path to your healing embrace.

(Silence for Personal Confession)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We do not deserve the grace that God freely provides, but we rejoice in the gift. God bestows upon us the mercy and love, removing our sins as far as the east is from the west. Let us celebrate God's wondrous love.

* GLORIA PATRI

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*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 THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Mary McCutchen Ramirez

Following the Children's Moment, children preschool through 2nd grade are invited to Children in Worship. Parents can pick up their children from the third floor after worship.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 8

John James

(Pew Bible, pg. 492, Old Testament)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-5

Rev. Mary McCutchen Ramirez

(Pew Bible, pg. 155, New Testament)

SERMON

"Sticks and Stones"

Rev. Mary McCutchen Ramirez

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER (Remain seated) (Sing twice)

SHEPHERD ME

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
Beyond my fears, from death into life.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Call to Giving

Offertory Anthem

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing
Chancel Choir

Calvin Hampton

* Doxology

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

* Offertory Prayer

* HYMN 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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* **BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 543

GREEN TYLER

*God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me: O Christ, surround me.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Christ, the Cornerstone

Benton Price

* Please stand as you are able

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We welcome Rev. Mary McCutchen Ramirez to our pulpit this morning. She grew up in Manning and is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary. She has served as a tent maker pastor for over 20 years. She works for the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control.

WELCOME!

We especially welcome those of you who are guests today. We invite you to fill out a Welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate as it is passed. We look forward to meeting you. If you have particular questions, please speak to Rev. Brearley.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Elders: John James, Missy Coulter
Assisting in Worship: John James
Deacon: Gary Bratton, Virginia Hutchens

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

Elders: Bonnie Disney, Ann Geddings
Assisting in Worship: Ann Geddings
Deacons: Katherine Brogdon, Valerie James

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

5:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Continuing Through June 29

Wonderful Wednesdays continues through June 29. This is a four week long, Wednesday evening church wide program during the month of June. Dinners are provided. Following dinner, there will be Bible classes led by Rev. Bob for the teens and adults as well as fun themed lessons and activities for the kids.

It is very important that we know how many to plan for; please make reservations by calling the church office (803-773-3814) no later than the Monday of the week you and your family plan to attend.

- Wednesday, June 15 - Music, Movement, and Moon Pies
- Wednesday, June 22 - Growing in Grace and Garden Goody
- Wednesday, June 28 - Be Nice and Kona Ice

CAMP FELLOWSHIP FUN

Wednesday, July 13

Children age 4 years through 5th grade and middle school youth are invited to join us for a special day of camp fun at Camp Fellowship, in Waterloo, South Carolina. Camp Fellowship will provide camp counselors and age-appropriate camp activities for each age group. Lunch is included. Reservations are required; please register by texting Ashley Blum (803-847-4406) or calling the church office (803-773-3814).

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Covenant Place: Jennie Linn Duffie

Home: Chuck Fienning, Caroline Sigmon,
Bill Scobee, Robert Stage II (Son of Marta Stage)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Cricket Edmunds on the death of his brother, Bentham Walker Edmunds, who died June 3.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Margaret (Somheil) and Eric Richey on the birth of a son, Samuel Allen Richey, born June 5, 2022 in Charleston. Proud grandparents are Chris and Marsha Somheil.