

SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
All Saints Celebration of The Church Triumphant
November 1, 2020 11:00am

CHIMING of the HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE Johannes Brahms
“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place”
from *The German Requiem*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Hal H. Hopson
“How Lovely, Lord”

CALL to WORSHIP

Liturgist: We join in worship today with all the saints who have entered the Church Triumphant.

People: As they worship in the splendor of God's heaven, we worship in the presence of his glory.

Liturgist: We are glad to be in God's house, and to celebrate his majesty and mercy.

People: Let us worship our Lord, who is the same yesterday, today and forever!

✠PROCESSION of THE MEMORIAL BANNER

HYMN *For All the Saints*

For all the Saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CALL to CONFESSION

PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)

Loving God, you promise that all who faithfully confess to you will be forgiven and made whole. Trusting in your mercy, we acknowledge the harm we have done, and the good we have failed to do. Forgive us, we pray; guide us in your truth, and teach us the way to go, so that we may love and serve you well. We pray in the name of Jesus.

(continue in silent prayer)

ASSURANCE of PARDON

Liturgist: Hear the good news:

People: the Lord has promised to forgive all who come to him.

Liturgist: The Lord has promised to surround with steadfast love everyone who trusts in him.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

RESPONSE to GOD'S FORGIVENESS *Glory Be to the Father*

EPISTLE READING First Corinthians 15: 50-58

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM J. Paul Williams
“We Are Surrounded”
based on Hebrews 12: 1-3
Mary Rose Simpson, Marsha Roberts, Chandler Bryan, Jon Lochner & Harvey Eden

GOSPEL READING John 11: 17-44

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Rev. Edgar McCall
Called into God's Life

MUSIC SELECTION arr. Michael Bedford
“Offertory on ‘*Sine Nomine*’”

ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION of THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

AFFIRMATION of FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

MOMENT for STEWARDSHIP and DEDICATION

HYMN *Thine Is the Glory*

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded graveclothes where Thy body lay.
Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without Thee; Aid us in our strife.

Make us more than conquerors, through Thy deathless love;

Bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

✠RECESSION of THE MEMORIAL BANNER

CHARGE and BLESSING

POSTLUDE arr. Michael Bedford
“Finale on ‘For All the Saints’”

Congregational responses are printed in bold.



FAMILIES TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ned & Sandy Gregory
 Carolyn Hardin
 Andy & Suzanne Harper

PASTORAL NEEDS: The Session desires to be informed when members and friends of the church are in need of pastoral care and support. During office hours, please call the church at 283-3329, to ensure the elder under whose care the person or family is assigned may be notified.

Prayer Concerns

Unless a prayer request is renewed or the health condition is acute, names will stay on the prayer list for one month.

Please pray for our members: James & Martha Jo Mahaffey; Martha & Ervin Robinson; Ann Mori; Robert Lee & Annie Sue Steele; Dave Yarborough.

Friends of the church: Libby Woodruff; Debbie Spaugh; Jim Thompson; TJ Wilmore; Michelle Tarantino; Amaryllis Boger; Robert Stephenson, Jr.; Fred Burton; Megan Mathews; Matthew Sweatt; Norma Cooler; Mildred & Luther Thomas; Brian Melton; Brooke Syfan.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: November 01, 2020 – November 07, 2020

Sunday	11:00 am	Worship
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Sunday School via Zoom

BIRTHDAYS: **01** Marshall Gregory **03** Derek Cercena **04** Holly Furr
ANNIVERSARIES: **04** Phil & Karen Neely **07** Jon & Diane Lochner

OUR GIVING REPORT

	<u>10/25/20</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Amount Budgeted	\$ 3,934.00	\$ 169,162.00
Amount Received	<u>4,875.00</u>	<u>161,506.44</u>
	\$ <u>941.00</u>	\$ <u>(7,655.56)</u>

Living God's Word, Sharing God's Love

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is a congregation dedicated to **Living God's Word** and **Sharing God's Love**. With a variety of opportunities for Christian education, worship, spiritual growth, Christian fellowship and outreach ministry, we hope you will find your church home here. Experience the community of faith at FPC. **Our hearts, our minds and our doors are open.**

We are centered in the worship of God and bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord. As Christ's disciples we strive to build vibrant lives, strong families and a fellowship in which members care for and love one another and together seek the well-being of our city, state and world. By the power of the Holy Spirit we seek to develop a vital preaching and teaching ministry, aimed at drawing men and women to Christ; healing, comforting and nurturing each in the faith; equipping each with the knowledge for service to Christ and effectively obtaining peace in all walks of life.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY. The flowers that grace the chancel and beautify our worship are given by Geneva Davis and Diana Threatt to the *Glory of God* and in loving memory of their sons, *Carl Bernard Davis* and *Robert Wade Threatt, III*, who have entered God's glory.

ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION. **Today** we rejoice with an All Saints Service. We celebrate the resurrection and give thanks for those who have entered the Church Triumphant since last November. Together celebrating the lives of church members that have entered God's glory – *Max Clyburn, Adele Williams, John McCulloch* and *Linda Helms*.

A bell will be rung and a candle lit to honor their lives and our hope for life eternal. A Memorial Banner, prepared with the names of our members who have gone to the Church Triumphant, will be processed and recessed during our celebration.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. A meeting has been called for **Sunday, November 8th** to elect Elders to the class of 2023. The nominees are *Betsy Folks, Abe Perry* and *Tim Rumph*.

STEWARDSHIP DEDICATION. **November 15th** we will dedicate your commitments to the work of God's church so that the world may know of God's love. ***You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.*** II Corinthians 9:11

THESE DAYS devotional guides are in. Please call the church office if you choose not to come inside, and we will leave one for you at the back door.

2021 BUDGET DEFICIT. Please remember, if we have 50 giving units who increase their 2021 contributions by \$5 a week, or \$20 to \$25 per month, we can eliminate the \$12,077 deficit currently in our 2021 Budget. Please prayerfully consider increasing your contributions for 2021 in gratitude to God. Thank you, *Phil Neely*, Treasurer.

