

Morning Worship—October 8, 2017

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, “Amen,” after hymns.

PRELUDE “Glorificamus” Gordon Young

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us assemble together as the Church of Jesus Christ.

People: Let us celebrate the triumph of grace,

Leader: And give thanks for the generosity of love divine.

People: Let us joyfully worship God!

*HYMN OF WORSHIP 307 “Fight the Good Fight”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, Ruler of the universe, You have given us commandments by which to live, and we have broken them again and again. Indeed, we have broken them so often that we are used to it. Forgive us, we pray and help us never to become accustomed to breaking Your law. Hear our prayer as we continue in silence.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The truth about us is hard to receive,

People: but it is spoken with boundless love.

Leader: God’s judgement is just,

People: but Christ has taken our place and died for our sins.

Leader: Friends, in Christ we are forgiven.

People: Mercy abounds!

All: Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri (579) GREATOREX, 1851
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.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS AND SPECIAL OFFERING

Offering in Music “Be Thou My Vision” arr. Gerald Anderson
Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Prayer of Dedication

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Allen Thompson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

ANTHEM “My Faith, It Is An Oaken Staff” Hans Vigeland

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God our helper, show us Your ways and teach us Your paths, By Your Holy Spirit, open our minds that we may be led in Your truth and taught Your will. Then may we praise You by listening to Your Word and by obeying it, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

LESSONS (page 750/788) John 1:1-18

SERMON “ Born Believers” Rev. Allen Thompson

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Hymnal Pg. 14) 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.

*HYMN OF WORSHIP 383 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE 366, stanza no. 1 “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Tune” arr. S.D. Wolff

The flowers in the sanctuary today are placed by Mr. & Mrs. Kent Shelton, in honor of the marriage of their son and daughter-in-law, Andrew and Lauren Gardner, on October 7, 2017.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.


PASTORAL CONCERNS— Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Ken Brewer, Bill Brown, Mary Bray (Jarrod Brown’s Aunt), Claire Campbell, John Cao, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox’s sister-in-law), Charles & Lib Cuttle, Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Dianne East, Marilyn East, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson’s sister), Tim Hooker, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Bill Lorimer, Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Paul Patrick (Charlotte Lowther’s son-in-law), Nancy Poindexter (Jarrod Brown’s aunt), Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds’ sister), Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Tom West **ON THE MEND**--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Kelvin Gunn, Mike Lewis (Tom and Ava Barrett’s son-in-law), Erica Mann, Archer McIntire, Lee Norman, Mack Williams, John Rodgers (Jackson Weller’s Uncle), Russell Vandiver, Nultie Wiseman

Our prayers are with Ruth, Marissa & Colin Meadors and friends of Thelma Meadors who passed away September 25th.



All are invited to our Church Picnic Sunday Oct. 15th at 4:00 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and dessert. The fun will be at Frank & Paige Wiseman’s, 752 Pine Lake Rd.

Plan to attend services Oct. 8th as we will have a congregational meeting to vote on our new slate of officers.

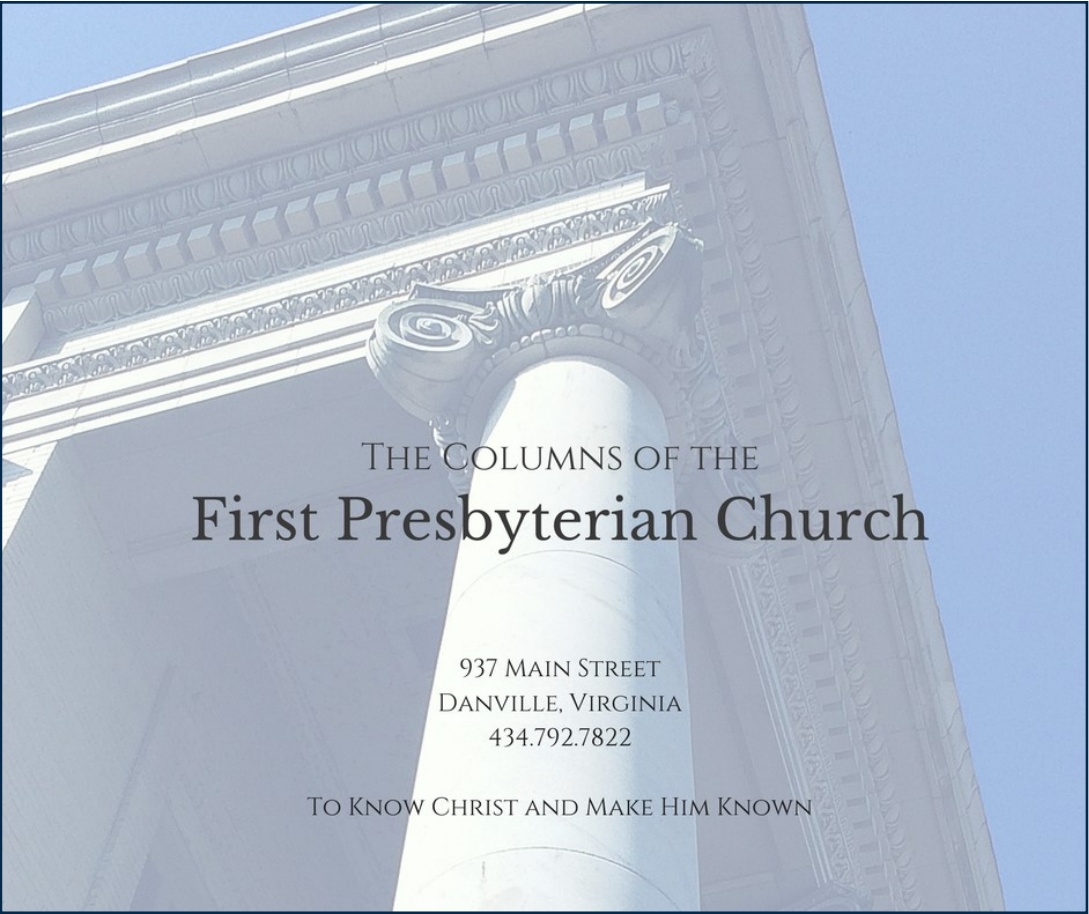


We will continue to collect a special offering for the recent hurricane victims. We will send all contributions to the Presbyterian Assistance Disaster. Please mark your donations as Disaster Relief.

SERVING TODAY	
Nursery/Sunday School	Brenna Takata
Children’s Sunday School	Kathy Dolianitis
	Carolyn Baker/Kathy Machado
Elders at Front Door	J. Perez
Friendship Period	J. Brown/G. Wimer
Deacon to Receive Offering	Jeanne Nostrandt
Officers to Count Offering	Team Barrett
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	B. Hayes
Time for Young Disciples	Rev. Thompson
Sound System	C. B. Strange
Ushers	Team 2
Flower Ministry	Day Circle
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Oct. 14	T. Barrett/Westover Baptist

The Deacons will be giving away clothes at the Saturday Lunch Ministry on Nov. 11th. Please bring your FALL & WINTER clothes to the fellowship hall & leave them in front of the stage.

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<u>THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN</u>		<u>FRIDAY, October 13</u> All Day Church Office Closed
<u>MONDAY, October 9</u>	9:30 a.m. Prayer Group 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting	<u>SATURDAY, October 14</u> 10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study 11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry Youth Hiking
<u>TUESDAY, October 10</u>	5:15 p.m. Handbells 7:00 p.m. Session	<u>SUNDAY, October 15</u> 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday School: Mid & High School, Rm 112 Outlook Class, Rm 322 Bible Fellowship, Library Seekers, Rm 109
<u>WEDNESDAY, October 11</u>	6:00 p.m. Youth	11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS
<u>THURSDAY, October 12</u>	5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	