

First Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship

September 4, 2016—Sixteenth 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

“Fanfare”

Jacques Lemmens

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is our refuge and strength.
People: God is a very present help in times of trouble.
Leader: Be still and know that the Lord is God,
People: We will not fear though the earth should change.
Leader: The Lord of hosts is with us.
People: We will joyfully raise our voices and lift our hearts to worship our Creator, Savior, and Sustainer.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 429

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. But we know that Your grace, as shown in the gift of Jesus Christ, can make us whole. So we ask You to forgive us through Him once more so that we may glorify You in all we do. 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 judgment 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 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, amen.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music “His Eye Is On the Sparrow” arr. Mark Hayes
*Doxology: (HYMN 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. Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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

“Ave Verum”

W. A. Mozart

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord our God, Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive Your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to Your will and live always for Your glory, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

LESSON

Acts 15:1-21 (783/823)

SERMON

“Uncut Into One”

Rev. Thompson

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

*HYMN 443

“O Christ, the Great Foundation”

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 540

“God Be With You ‘Till We Meet Again” (v 1)
*God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.*

POSTLUDE

“More Like the Master”

arr. E. T. Rogers

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School Harriet Beale
Children’s Sunday SchoolKaran Johnson
..... Laura Jones, Gwen Baucom
Elders at Front DoorIna Ingram
Friendship Period Ava Barrett, David Swann,
.....Brenna Takata
Deacon to Receive OfferingJohn Parris
Officers to Count Offering Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent Gail Davis
LiturgistIna Ingram
Time for Young DisciplesErin Parris
Sound System Fred Baker
Flower Ministry Evening Circle
Saturday Lunch Ministry Sep. 10Barry Cutright

“Ave Verum”

Jesus, word of God Incarnate,
Of the Virgin Mary born;
On the cross Thy sacred body
For us men with nails was torn.
Cleanse us by the blood and water
Streaming from Thy pierced side,
Feed us with Thy body broken,
Now, and in death’s agony.

Praise God for Last Sunday	
Worship Attendance -----	119
Tithes & Offerings -----	\$5,465.00

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—Kevin Bailey, Anne Banks, Chuck Bolt, Pat Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Nelson R. Clark, Jay Covington (Jean White's nephew), Ruby Crowell, Maude Dalton, Ronnie Dinkle, Rev. Cecil Eanes, R. L. Clifton, W. J. “Buck” Collins, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Sarah Fisher (Sally Clark's Mother), Betty Fitzgerald, Anne Grier, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson’s sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Janna Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Susan Mathena, Jake McGee, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, Alex Mitchell, A. B. Motley, Lee Norman, Greg Nunley, Ken Obye, Richard Russell (Ina Ingram's brother), Ella Ryan, Ethel Sakellaris, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberly, Russell Vandiver, Nultie Wiseman, condolences to Kent Shelton’s sister, Sarah Hostetter, on the death of her husband, Ernie.

ON THE MEND--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Ann Banks, Robert Brooks, Kelvin Gunn, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Barbara Newnam, Diane Shelton, Melva Sweeney, Jean White



If you wish to help **bring Pat & Chuck Bolt a meal** in the next few months, please call Marie-Louise Crane at 434-770-0136 to pick a date.

Stewardship Season’s Kickoff Dinner and Program is scheduled for September 21 at 6:00 p.m. and will highlight church committees. There is no charge for this dinner and program. Please call the church office at 434.792.7822 or email christy@fpcdanville.com in order to reserve a spot.

Be in prayer for the **start of Day School** on September 6. Pray for our teachers, students, and parents as they begin an exciting new year with this wonderful ministry of our church.



All are invited to the **Sunday School/Rally Day Breakfast** in the Overbey Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 11. Breakfast will be served from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Please join us as we kick off the new Sunday School year.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONDAY, September 5 Labor Day

..... Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, September 6

9:00 a.m..... Day School
10:00 a.m..... Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m..... Deacons Meeting
7:00 p.m..... Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, September 7

9:00 a.m..... Day School
12:15 p.m..... Mid-Week Chapel Service
6:00 p.m..... Youth

THURSDAY, September 8

9:00 a.m..... Day School
5:30 p.m..... Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, September 9

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, September 10

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
11:15 p.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, September 11

9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
Mid & High School, Rm 112
Bible Fellowship, Library
Outlook Class, Rm 322
Seekers, Rm 109
11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
Mid-worship K-2/3-5 Sun. Sch.

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

THE SESSION

2016	2017	2018
Barry Cutright	Tom Barrett	Eddie Blount
Ina Ingram	Brenna Takata	Gene Hayes
Hampton Wilkins	Gary Wimer	Bob Newnam
Thor Wright	David Zook	Joan Reynolds

THE DIACONATE

2016	2017	2018
Marie-Louise Crane	David Parris	Ava Barrett
Susan Mathena	Mike Reynolds	Harriet Beale
John Parris	Kent Shelton	Kathy Dolianitis
	Becky Meadema	David Swann

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Celebrating 185 Years of Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

Welcome

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting,

We warmly welcome you to our service today and invite you to join us for refreshments after the service in Dunglinson-Roberts Hall.