Morning Worship—September 2, 2018 15th 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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS A MINUTE FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PRELUDE "Gavotte from French Suite no. 5"

by Bach/Rawsthorne

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

(James 1)

Leader: Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger.

People: Let us welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save our souls.

Leader: Be doers of the word, and not merely hearers, so you may be blessed in all you do.

People: Pure religion is to care for orphans and widows and not to be stained by the world.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE 455

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of strength and might, we confess our neglect of salvation's armor. We have not girded our loins with truth. The breastplate of righteousness is tarnished by our lax behavior. Our feet are caked with mud from battles fought unshod by the gospel of peace. We have laid aside the shield of faith, and weakened our defense in a hostile world. Help us once again to don the helmet of salvation and to raise the sword of the word against the powers that oppose you, so that in all our struggles we may rely solely on your strength.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear for your comfort the words of Paul: "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

People: Accept your forgiveness and rejoice in a love stronger than our sin. Amen.

*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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kathy Dolianitis

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

May the Word of God spoken today compel us to worship without ceasing to the praise of Christ's glorious grace. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

(854/897)

James 1:17-27

ANTHEM

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Dr. McDonald

by Thomas Chisholm William Runyan, Jason Ingram and Mike Weaver

GOSPEL LESSON

(712/749)

Mark 7:1-8,14-15 (Dr. McDonald)

SERMON

"Doing and Being"

Dr. John McDonald

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles' Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 396

"O for a Closer Walk with God"

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (See pew insert)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music "In the Presence of Jehovah with Surely the Presence of the Lord Is In This Place" arr. Mark Hayes
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

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 370

"Just As I Am"

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 537

"Farewell, Good Friends"

POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

by Sigfrid Karg-Elert

The flowers today are placed to the glory of God and in honor of our interim pastor, Rev. Dr. John McDonald by the Outlook Sunday School Class.

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— Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller's grandmother), Amy Bracey, Nelson Clark, Charles Cuttle, Lib Cuttle, Matthew Dolianitis, Dianne East, Martha Jo Hodges, Beth Landfair (John's mother), Bill Landfair (J. McDonald's step father), Ellen McDonald (John's wife), Freel Shipe (J. McDonald's father-in-law), Ella Ryan, Jim Turner, Tom West

ON THE MEND— Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris' mother), Kaiden Sheldon, Mary Ann Shelton, Mack Williams, Nultie Wiseman

Sermon Notes

We will be looking at the relationship between Being a Christian and Doing Christlike things. What good is it if you believe in Christ and do nothing about it? Religious rituals mean nothing if they are not backed by faith in a living Lord who calls us to live in obedience to him.

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School L. Blount & M. Meadors Children's Sunday School K. Dolianitis/M. Sweeney

C. Baker/K. Machado

Elders at Front Door
Security & Side Door
Visitation

B. Wilson
C. B. Strange
B. Meadema

Deacon to Receive Offering Marie-Louise Crane

Officers to Count Offering
Church School Superintendent
Liturgist
Gene Hayes
Time for Young Disciples
Sound System
Ushers
Barrett/Crane
Gail Davis
Gene Hayes
K. Dolianitis
D. Parris

Flower Ministry Evening Circle
Asst. Custodian Ron Tanner

Childcare Specialists

Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler

Saturday Lunch Ministry Sept. 8th J. Perez/H. Beale

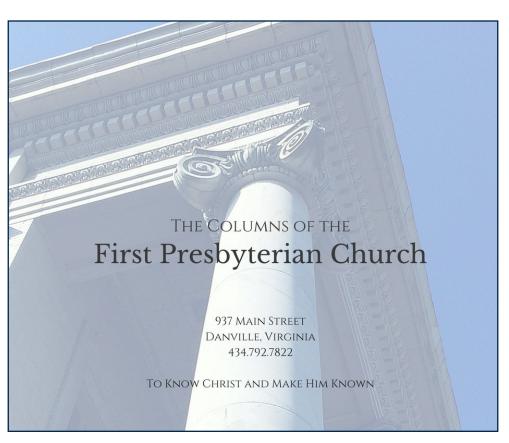
Saturday Lunch Attendance 8/25 39

The PW invites everyone to the reception to welcome Dr. McDonald & his family to FPC, immediately following worship today in the fellowship hall.

The Cuttles have moved to be closer to family and would love a card from you! Here is their new address:

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cuttle c/o Mr. & Mrs. Parks Newby 1518 Duplin Rd Raleigh NC 27607

The Staff of First Presbyterian Church



THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sept. 2, 2018

MONDAY, September 3

All Day Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, September 4

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 5:00 p.m. PNC Comm.

WEDNESDAY, September 5

6:00 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, September 6

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, September 7

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, September 8

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, September 9

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 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS

Noon Fellowship