
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 28, 2013

Rev. Monty Clendenin

Organist: Dr. Susie F. Dempsey

Lay Reader
Wayne Claeren

Elder Greeter
Aleta Bell

Ushers
Mary Agnes Hester and Millie Neisler

Gathering

First Ringing of the Bell ☞ Music for Meditation
Second Ringing of the Bell ☞ Opening of the Bible
Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements

Prelude *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Arr. Broughton

Call to Worship

Psalm 86

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
One: Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long. Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you. Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name for ever. For great is your steadfast love towards me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set you before them.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your serving-maid.

Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer

†**Hymn** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Hymnal #446

†**Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed Hymnal Page 14
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Prayer of Confession

O God, when we let You touch the deep places within us we are moved to tears of remorse. Again and again we violate the best You intend for us, in order to pursue our own whims and desires. We labor for drink that perishes and ignore the living water that brings eternal life. We take for ourselves what You intend for others, and resent Your questioning of our own stewardship. We settle for fragmentation rather than work for unity. Forgive us, heal us, and empower us; in Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Moment for Personal, Silent Confession

The Kyrie Eleison -All are invited to sing- Hymnal # 572
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

†**The Gloria Patri**
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.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 1:1; 10-20 OT Page 630
The Wickedness of Judah

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading John 6:60-71 NT Page 99
The Words of Eternal Life

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **Is Eternal Life Really Good News?** **Rev. Monty Clendenin**

†**Hymn** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Hymnal #150

† Please stand if you are able.

Prayers of the People

Offertory *Shaker Tune* Arr. Robert Powell

†**Doxology**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†Prayer of Dedication

Sending

†**Hymn** *I Danced in the Morning* Hymnal #302

†Charge and Benediction

†**Hymn** *Song of Hope* Hymnal # 432
May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working, for a world that's new; faithful, when we hear Christ's call.

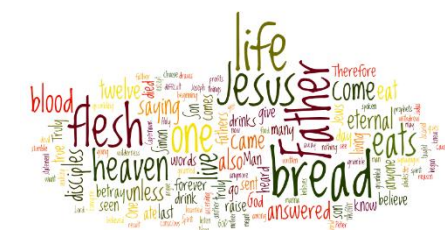
Postlude *Postlude* Boellmann

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I would rather be ashes than dust! I would rather that my spark should burn out in a brilliant blaze, than it should be stifled by dry rot. I would rather be a superb meteor, every atom of me in magnificent glow, than a sleepy and permanent planet. The proper function of humanity is to live, not exist. I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them.

I shall use my time.

Jack London (1876-1916) Writer



Welcome to our Visitors

We are happy to have you worship with us and we hope you will return to worship with us again in the near future. Please indicate your attendance by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the offering plate. If you are interested in learning more about membership in First Presbyterian Church, please speak to one of our pastors or the Elder Greeter after the service.

Nursery will be provided for all children 6 years and under.

Prayer requests - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. Please place your request in the offering plate when the offering is received.

Announcements

Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, July 30th at 6:30pm in the Parlor.

Special Offering - Next Sunday we will receive our monthly JCOC offering.

Worship Service - The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday.



Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Larry Clark (Sharon Ward's uncle)
Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)
Bobby Haynes
Joy Kelly and Family
Robert MacRae
Stacy Boozer Mariani
Ken Mount
Kathy Peters (Gary Brown's cousin)
Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)
Frances Seymour
Thompson Nash Wagoner



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Next Sunday –August 4 Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Rev. Tom Winter

Scripture

Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43;
Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Elder Greeter

Carolyn Padgett

Lay Reader

Laura Underhill

Ushers

Ethelyn Brown and Don Seymour

Servers

Wayne Claeren, Barbara Franklin,
Laura Underhill, and Sharon Ward



Worship Opportunities for this Week

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| Today | 9:45am | Sunday School |
| | 10:30am | Between the hours fellowship |
| | 11:00am | Worship Service |
| | 5:00pm | Bible Study |
| Wednesday | 10:00am | Bible Study |
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Rev. Thomas S. Winter, Stated Supply Pastor
Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer
Mary Furlow, Secretary

The Session Rev. Tom Winter, Moderator

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Gary Brown
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Ivan Ratzlaff

Class of 2014

Wayne Claeren
Barbara Franklin
Laura Underhill

Class of 2015

Aleta Bell
Carolyn Padgett
Sharon Ward

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Wayne Claeren

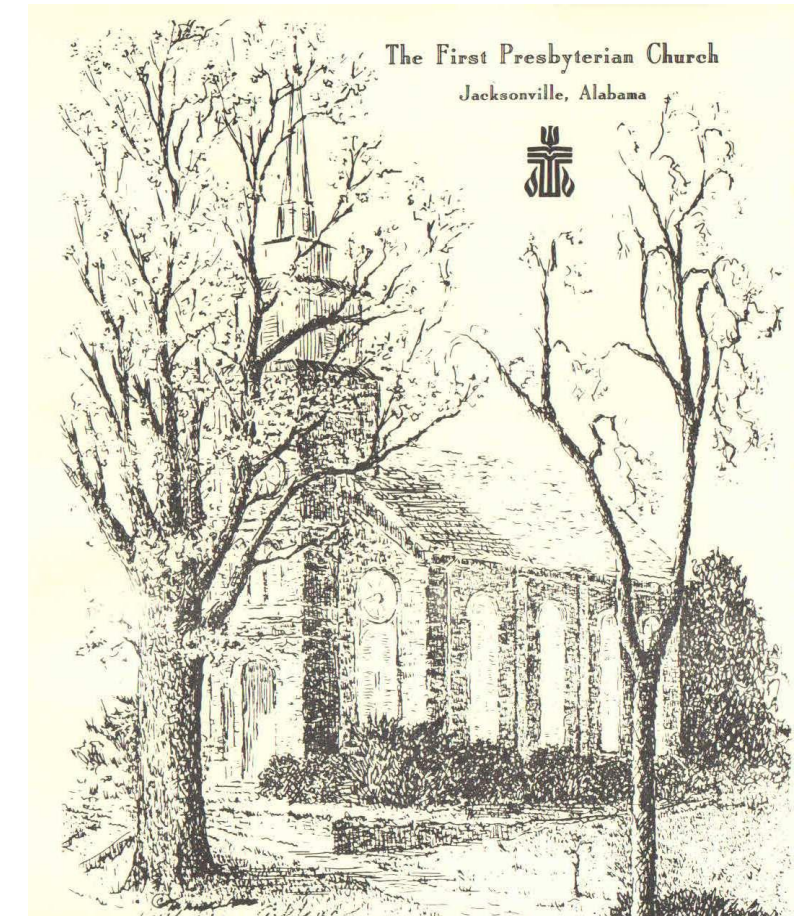
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