



# 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2013

Rev. Tom Winter

Organist: Dr. Susie F. Dempsey

Lay Reader  
Elsie Wheeler

Elder Greeter  
Wayne Claeren

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 *Setting of English Hymn Tune "Thaxted"* Gustav Holst  
by Callahan

## Call to Worship

One: Rich or poor, in spirit or wealth; healthy or ill, in body or soul;  
satiated or hungry, in heart or mind;

All: **We come to cool our tongues with the living water of Christ.**

One: We come to lay our world-weariness on the bosom of God.

All: **We come having heard from the prophets.**

One: We come having learned from the Christ.

All: **We come believing Jesus rose from the dead.**

One: We come convinced that God is merciful to the repentant.

All: **We come – believers, seekers, and the curious – hoping to feel  
the warm welcome of God, hoping to hear words of hope,**

One: And to be touched by love eternal.

## Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* Hymnal #457

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

## Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, we confess how far we are as church and society from being the community you desire. Some of us delude ourselves and think we need and deserve riches and fine things: hefty bank accounts, solid retirement plans, abundant food, and every comfort and opportunity the world has to offer. Some of us pride ourselves in being generous, spending some of our interest on the poor, giving leftovers from our tables to the hungry and worn-thin clothes to the naked. The beggar is at our door, and we put on the lock, disbelieving that we are turning you away. Forgive us for the

blindness we wear to keep us from seeing the truth and the selfishness that knows not our neighbor. 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

A Reading from Psalm 119:97-104 *in unison*

Oh, how I love your law! It is my meditation all day long. Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation. I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts. I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word. I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me. How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.

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

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 31:27-34 OT Page 735

*God's covenant will be written on our hearts.*

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

### Time with the Young Church

Gospel Reading Luke 16:19-31 NT Page 79

*Jesus tells a parable in which the fate of a rich man and a despised beggar are dramatically reversed after death.*

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

Sermon **Dressed in Purple** Rev. Tom Winter

### Litany of Faith

One: She is crying, Lord, \*Kum ba Yah!

All: **She is crying, Lord, somewhere. She is millions, somewhere in many places.**

There are tears of suffering, there are tears of weakness and disappointment, there are tears of strength and resistance, there are tears of the rich and the tears of the poor.

All: **She is crying, Lord, redeem the times.**

One: He is shouting, Lord, Kum ba Yah!

All: **He is shouting out loudly and clearly. He has made a choice. He stands up against the times.**

One: He is shouting out, offering his life in love and anger to fight the death that surrounds us, to wrestle with the evils with which we crucify each other. We are praying, Lord, Kum ba Yah!

All: **We are praying in tears and anger, in frustration and weakness, in strength and endurance.**

One: We are shouting and wrestling to be touched, marked, and blessed. We are praying, Lord. Spur our imagination. Sharpen our will.

All: **We are praying, Lord, redeem the times.**

One: Kum ba Yah, my Lord, Kum ba Yah!

**Through Jesus Christ you have let us know where you want us to be. Help us to be there now. Let your power be present in our weakness. Let us be a blessing.**

*\*Come by here - adapted from a Song and Prayer in Gifts of Many Cultures by Maren C. Tirbassi and Kathy Wonson Eddy (Cleveland: United Church Press, 1995), 36.*

†Hymn *Kum ba Yah* Hymnal #338

### Prayers of the People

Offertory *When In the Hour of Utmost Need* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

### †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 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* Hymnal #387

### †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 *Little Prelude in F Major* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

† Please stand if you are able.

## 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

**Food for the Jacksonville Christian Outreach Center (JCOC)** – Today we will collect food for the JCOC. Please bring canned pasta, canned chili, canned fruits, canned soups and beef stew to help keep the shelves stocked for those in need.

**We Especially Invite You** to our monthly Church Dinner immediately following the service today. Please join us for this time of wonderful food and fellowship.



#### Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Randall Blades (friend of Carlton Ward)  
Anne Clark (Sharon Ward's aunt)  
Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)  
Gene Fair  
Bobby Haynes  
Patrick Henry (father-in-law of Jessica Seymour Henry)  
Joy Kelly and Family  
Stacy Boozer Mariani  
Bob Moore  
Ken Mount  
Kathy Peters (Gary Brown's cousin)  
Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)  
Ellen Simpson  
Thompson Nash Wagoner



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**Next Sunday –October 27**

*Rev. Monty Clendenin*

#### Scripture

Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65;  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

#### Elder Greeter

Wayne Claeren

#### Lay Reader

Ethelyn Brown

#### Ushers

Toby and Austin Falk



#### Worship Opportunities for this Week

<b>Today</b>	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study – Living the Questions
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00am	Bible Study (An Abiding Hope)
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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

#### Class of 2013

Gary Brown  
Jetta Manners  
Ivan Ratzlaff

#### Class of 2014

Wayne Claeren  
Barbara Franklin  
Laura Underhill

#### Class of 2015

Aleta Bell  
Carolyn Padgett  
Sharon Ward

Wayne Claeren

**Trustees**  
Lana Boozer

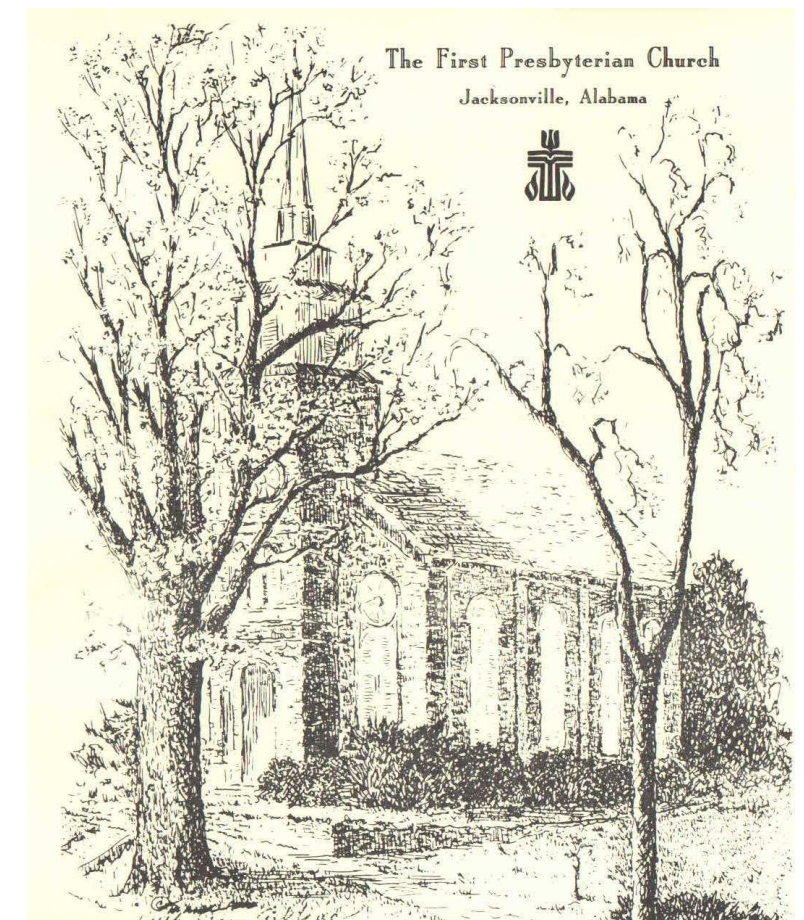
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Church Office Hours

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday

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Members are received into our fellowship by baptism and profession of faith, by letter of transfer from another Christian congregation, and by reaffirmation of faith. We invite you to become a member of this congregation of God's people.