

First Presbyterian Church

New Haven, Connecticut

18th Sunday After Pentecost

October 8, 2017

10:45 a.m.

Prelude *Prelude on "God Is My Strong Salvation"* Held

Introit *O Come, Let Us Worship* Shephard

Call to Worship

We come to worship God in our need,

Bringing with us the needs of the world.

We come to God, who comes to us in Jesus,

And who knows by experience what human life is like.

We come with our faith and with our doubts.

We come with our hopes and with our fears.

We come as we are because it is God who invites us to come,

And God has promised never to turn us away.

Therefore, with sorrow and with joy, with lament and with praise,
with timidity and with confidence,

Come, let us worship God!

*Hymn 291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* SPIRIT

Call to Reconciliation

Silence is kept.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture light and life, love and kindness, reconciliation and redemption, in our hearts and throughout the world, that we may receive your blessing. We pray in your redeeming Son's name. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

To all who turn from sin and sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's Word of grace: We are accepted. We are forgiven. We are loved. This gift we have from God.

Thanks be to God.

*Song of Praise *Praise God, All You Nations* GHANA

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Before sitting, please greet those around you with words of Christ's peace.)

Words of Welcome

Please sign the black friendship pad and pass to others in your pew.
The Children in Worship program will resume next Sunday.
Children are encouraged to remain with the congregation this morning.
Professional nursery care is available throughout the year.

Moment for Mission

Ralph Jones

Response *We Will Walk With God* SWAZILAND

The Offering
Offertory Anthem *Don't You Let Nobody Turn You Round* Spiritual
Angela Daniels, Beth Aura Miller, soloists

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

Prayer for Illumination

* Prayer of Thanksgiving
Blessed are you, Creating God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of Jesus and your love for the world. Amen.

First Lesson Philippians 3: 4b-14 (p. 198)

Hymn 61 *Your Law, O Lord, Is Perfect* Psalm 19
(remain seated)

The Prayers of the People
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.

Second Lesson Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20 (p. 66)

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

Sermon *The Ten Commandments* The Rev. J.C. Cadwallader

*Hymn 432 *How Clear Is Our Vocation Lord* REPTON

*Hymn 74 *When God Restored Our Common Life* RESIGNATION

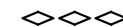
*Benediction

*Affirmation of Faith (adapted from the Belhar Confession)

Postlude *Prelude on "How Firm a Foundation"* Held

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

*Those who prefer to do so may remain seated.



Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of New Haven. We are glad you are here. We seek to be a warm and welcoming community of Christian people. If you are new to this congregation, please introduce yourself to others sitting around you, and to the pastor, so that we may welcome you personally. During the Words of Welcome, add your name to the Friendship Pad. Please plan to stay for the Friendship Hour following the service.

Participating in worship leadership this morning are:

Liturgist: Jim Duncan

Ushers: Elizabeth Gill, Lauriann Burt

Friendship Hour Hosts: Jean and Tim McCloskey

The Reverend J.C. Cadwallader may be reached at her email: PastorJC@fpcnh.org or the church phone (203) 562-5664. Mondays are her day off.

New Church Directories: Copies of the church directory are available on the Welcome Table.

Food Donations for Needy: Pick up an extra item at the grocery store to help fill the green wheelbarrow in the Copeland Room. At the end of each month the food is delivered to Christian Community Action's emergency food pantry. These are the items most in demand at CCA's food pantry: Top: white (not brown) rice, cereal, canned fruit (fresh fruit on last Sunday of the month), peanut butter and jams/jellies. Secondary: macaroni & cheese, pasta (not whole wheat), tomato sauces, canned/dry beans, ground/instant coffee, sugar, oils for cooking, cake mixes. Note that they do NOT need canned *green* vegetables.

Sunday school for children and youth includes Bible Stories class, led by Cassy Gulden and Sandra Malan-Bowles, and Prayer & Preaching class, led by Rev. Theo Gill and Kimberley Fais. If you are unsure which might be the best fit for you, just ask!

Massaro Farm: Our church donates fresh produce from Massaro Farm to Christian Community Action's food pantry, and we still need volunteers to pick it up and drop it off on Tuesdays through October. Please take a moment after worship to sign up to help. Instructions and directions are posted with the sign-up sheet.

Volunteers needed! The Welcome Table in the Copeland room has signup sheets for ushers and Friendship Hour Hosts. Consider trying one or more of these to help out at church during the fall season. Printed instructions are available and if new to the task, ask the Welcome Table Hosts for more info.

Your Input Is Needed for our Presbytery

At September's Presbytery meeting, it was announced that till Oct 12th, the Presbytery will be engaged in the Landscape Survey so that our Presbytery leaders can learn about the trends, needs, and engagement that is driving the life of our Presbytery and how to harness that for future ministry. The survey will take about 30 minutes and it must be done in one sitting - there is no 'save' function for a partially completed survey. Here's the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PresbyterySNE>

Immigrant Bail Fund Benefit on Oct 12th @ 7 p.m. at Congregation Mishkan Israel in Hamden. Comic Relief will provide you with an evening of laughter while you support a serious cause; aiding immigrant families fighting deportation. More info on the Welcome Table or contact Ralph Jones.

Next Sunday at 9:30 a.m.-Adult Ed continues a discussion on Racism, the second of three classes in October. The series is led by the Mission Committee's Peace and Justice Action Group, and the Oct 15th discussion will focus on "Envisioning a New Way of Life Together."

Save the Date: Oct. 19th, "3rd Thursday at the Manse", potluck next door at 724 Whitney; come anytime after 6:00 p.m. Bring a side dish, dessert and beverage to share, the main dish will be provided by Pastor JC and Heather.

Oct. 22nd, Confirmation Class will continue with their dinner gathering; 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Apple Picking on Oct 22nd, 1-5 p.m.: Children and Youth are invited to head out to Bishop's Orchards for a fall outing. Contact Kimberley Fais for more info.

Save the Date: Oct 28, 6-10 p.m. Curling in Bridgeport. Here's your chance to try out curling with on-ice instruction from experienced curlers. For ages 15 & up. The outing will end with a potluck chili dinner in the "warm room." More info is in the Oct Inkling or speak with Scott Funston. Signup sheet is on the Welcome Table.

In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (Philippians 4:6)

When you pray, offer prayers for ...

Our country and its leaders.

Church members and friends who seek God's healing grace, including Ken Haynam, at Benchmark Senior Living in Hamden.

Prayers for Stephen, Mattie Long's son, for a speedy recovery from knee replacement surgery.

For Jeff Miller, brother of David, who will be continuing cancer treatments.

For Stewart Fritts, who is recovering at home.

Prayers for those who live in the midst of conflict.

Prayers for those who do not have enough to eat.

Prayers for the people suffering losses from natural disaster.

Andrew McCloskey, serving with the Peace Corps in Mozambique.

James Smit and Patrick Copeland, who are serving in the armed forces.

Those who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis.

Prayers for other people and situations in need of our supplications.

This Week

Sunday, October 8	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	11:50 a.m.	Friendship Hour
Monday, October 9		
Tuesday, October 10	7:15 p.m.	Mission Committee
Wednesday, October 11	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 12	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
Saturday, October 14	9:30 a.m.	Women's AA
Sunday, October 15	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	11:50 a.m.	Friendship Hour

The Session of First Presbyterian Church

Class of 2017	Lynn Autry	Candice Gray
	Jane Hindenlang	Bruce Peabody
Class of 2018	Gary Cline	John Dinkler
	Phillip Phiri	Robert Williams
Class of 2019	Lucy Ambach	Rona Johnston
	Fiona Scott Morton	Mary Porterfield
Clerk	Tim McCloskey	
Treasurer	Mike Spicer	

First Presbyterian Church of New Haven is a More Light Congregation and part of Presbyterian Promise. Both organizations are dedicated to the full inclusion of lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual and questioning individuals.

The Staff of First Presbyterian Church

Pastor:	The Reverend J. C. Cadwallader
Music Director:	Patrick McCreless
Church Administrator:	Martha Smith
Christian Educator:	Kimberley Fais
Nursery Care Provider:	Emily Landino

The church office welcomes your announcements and prayer requests for the bulletin. Please send the copy to firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com by Wednesday before noon to be included in the Sunday Bulletin.

Please remember that parking is available at the Hooker School on Sunday mornings when lawn or street parking is unavailable.

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