



# First Presbyterian Church

New Haven, Connecticut

## 20th Sunday After Pentecost

October 22, 2017

10:45 a.m.

Prelude	<i>Partita on "Holy, Holy, Holy"</i>	Piet Post
Introit	<i>Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord</i> from <i>Elijah</i>	Mendelssohn

### Call to Worship

When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,

**“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,  
out of the darkness.”**

As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord our God,

**the one who continues to be our God and bring us into the light.  
Come! Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn 1                      *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*                      NICEA

### Call to Reconciliation

Silence is kept.

### Prayer of Confession

**Holy and merciful God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You provide for us with abundance but we despair claiming scarcity. You ask us to love but, wrapped up in our own concerns, we walk away from neighbors in need, and condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

### Assurance of Grace

The God whose holiness illuminates our brokenness is also the God who mends and heals us.

The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. As God was with the Israelites, wandering in the wilderness, be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving. Friends, believe the Good News:

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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.  
Children are welcome to participate in the Children in Worship program.

### Moment for Mission

Rona Johnston



**Participating in worship leadership this morning are:**

Liturgist: Candice Gray

Ushers: Ernie Bodenweber, Jean Murray

**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.

**Potluck Lunch TODAY:** Join friends around the table for an "Apple" Harvest Potluck following worship today. All are invited as we gather together to taste and see that God is good!

**Apple Picking this Afternoon, 1-4 p.m.:** All ages are invited to head out to Bishop's Orchards for a fall outing. See Kimberley Fais for more info.

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

**Hurricane Help:** Our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico have requested our help. Today and next Sunday, we'll be collecting **diapers, mosquito netting, and mosquito repellent bracelets** to send to the island. See Pastor JC for more info.

**Next Sunday is Reformation Sunday** and the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 theses. We will mark this occasion during the service with special music, and Bruce Gordon will be our guest preacher.

**Volunteers needed!** The Welcome Table in the Copeland Room has signup sheets for ushers and Friendship Hour Hosts. Volunteering for these easy tasks are easy ways to help out at church and get acquainted with a few new folks. Printed instructions are available, and if new and unsure about the task, ask any of the Welcome Table Hosts for more info.

**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!

**Next Sunday Adult Ed at 9:30 a.m.--**A class about ecojustice: Access to water is determined by both ethics and money, but how do our Christian teachings serve as a guide in times of increasing shortages? Martha Smith will lead the discussion.

**November Inkling Deadline** will be this Wednesday morning, October 22nd. Please email your notices and announcements to the church office by 9:00 a.m.

**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.

**This Saturday: 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.

**Abe's Tent is coming!** Abe's Tent is coming! Our church will be hosting 12 men from Columbus House starting Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> (Martin Luther King Jr. observance day) until Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sign-up sheets will be posted on the white boards in the Miller Gathering Hall on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We seek people to host, provide dinner, stay overnight and/or greet the men. Your participation is encouraged and greatly appreciated! Any questions, please contact Brian Gray at brian\_gry@yahoo.com.

**All Saints' Sunday, November 5th:** All Saints Sunday invites us to remember those from our congregation as well as others we have loved who have died in the year past. It is a time to celebrate their homecoming with God. During worship on Sunday, November 5th, we will take time to read the names of those who have died since last year. If you would like to submit a name to be included in the litany of remembrance, please write their name on the bulletin insert and place in the offering plate. Or you may call or email the name of your loved one to the church office (firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com).

**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, as he continues knee replacement rehab.

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

For Stewart Fritts, who is recovering from pneumonia.

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 22	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Potluck Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Apple Picking
	5:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Wednesday, October 25	9:00 a.m.	November Inkling Deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 26	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
Saturday, October 28	9:30 a.m.	Women's AA
Sunday, October 29	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](mailto: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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