



# First Presbyterian Church

New Haven, Connecticut

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

November 12, 2017

10:45 a.m.

Prelude *Prelude on Gibbons' Song 22* Willan

Introit *Come Down, O Love Divine* Vaughan Williams

Call to Worship

God has called us to worship and now greets us.

**Whether we are old or young, whether we are first-time or long-time worshipers,  
God welcomes us here.**

Whether we come full of doubts or confidence, joy or sorrow, weariness or exuberance, God welcomes us here.

**In this place, we join with the generations before and the generations yet to come  
and we participate in the covenant God first made with us.**

So, come! Come see what God is doing among us.

**Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn 684 *Faith Begins By Letting Go* LUX PRIMA

Call to Reconciliation

Silence is kept.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we groan at our weaknesses, and we ask forgiveness. Your Word is full of love, your grace is so good. But we close our ears to your call, and with our perverse pride, we foul the gifts you have given us. How long, O Lord, will we continue to ignore your will? Yet you provide streams of living mercy; you invite us again and again to live renewed lives. We draw upon your promises, and we ask once again for mercy. Hear our prayer, O Lord, for we ask it in Christ's name. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

... Friends, believe the Good News:

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\*Song of Praise *O Lord of Life, Where'er They Be*

GELOBT SEI GOTT

\*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.

Stewardship Moment

Bruce Peabody

Response *When We Are Living*

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13 (p. 206)

Psalm

Psalm 107

Second Lesson

Joshua 3: 7-17 (pp. 195-196)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Feet In the Water*

The Rev. J.C. Cadwallader

\*Hymn 65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Offering

Offertory Anthem

*The Hidden Stream That Feeds  
from Four Canticles of Praise*

Daley

\*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 of Thanksgiving

**Gracious God, everything we have comes from you. You fill us with good things. Our hearts and lives overflow with your abundance. With thanksgiving, we bring to you our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts that you have given us to feed others as we have been fed, to serve others as we have been served, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

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.**

\*Hymn 366

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

HYFRYDOL

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Prelude on Hyfrydol*

Vaughan Williams

\*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: Paul Turner

Ushers: Charles McEnally, Mary Webber

Cantor: Bruce Peabody

Friendship Hour Hosts:

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

**Next Sunday Adult Ed at 9:30 a.m.**—Bruce Gordon will continue his series on the Reformation.

**Stewardship Campaign:** Thank-you to all who were able to attend the Stewardship Lunch last Sunday and provided ideas and desires for our church in 2018. Please don't forget to return your pledge card by next Sunday, November 19 (either in the offering plate or mailed to the church.) Your response enables Session's preparation of a budget to accomplish our bold hopes and dreams to serve God in our lives, church and community.

**Thanksgiving Baskets & Offering:** Next weekend volunteers from all over the area will be helping prepare Thanksgiving baskets for families in need in New Haven. The sorting will be at: Casa de Oración y Adoración, 555 Columbus Ave. First Pres will be there Saturday (11/18). Please sign up with Ralph Jones if you'd like to share in this work. Your contribution to the Thanksgiving Special Offering helps make this happen!

**Volunteers needed!** The Welcome Table in the Copeland Room has new 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 and Prayer & Preaching class. We're on a hiatus now, and we're using our usual Sunday school timeslot to prepare to lead our annual Children's Advent Service from start to finish on December 17th! Block 2 of our classes will resume in January.

**Christian Community Action's emergency food pantry** is collecting food they can use to fill Thanksgiving baskets. Thanksgiving makings, including canned fruit and cranberries, stuffing 'stuff, and rice and beans are all good contributions to our green wheelbarrow at this time of year.

**3rd Thursday Potluck**, this coming Thursday, November 16: Pastor JC and Heather invite you to come to the manse for fellowship and food. They'll provide the main dish of pasta, and you provide a side or dessert. Even if you don't/can't bring anything to share, come on along – there will be plenty. Come anytime after 6pm. BYOB. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

**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](mailto:brian_gry@yahoo.com).

**Signup for Christmas Potluck:** It's not too early to start thinking about the good food we'll be sharing at our annual Christmas dinner potluck on Sunday, December 10th. As in past years, we will gather together after the Christmas music service to eat, sing carols and delight in one another's company. We will need food of every kind on the table: turkey, ham and vegetarian main dishes, and potatoes and green beans and salad too! Sides of cranberry relish, of course. And lots of dessert! Sign up sheets are on the Welcome Table.

**Adult Sunday School in December:** To get ready for Christmas, you are invited to read through daily devotionals from Richard Rohr's Preparing for Christmas. Daily, on our own, we will read the scripture and reflections provided in his book. Then, on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of Advent, we will gather at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday to share our thoughts, discoveries, and prayers for the season, guided by Pastor JC. If you are interested in participating, please place your order for a book by signing up at the Welcome Tale or sending an email to [PastorJC@fpcnh.org](mailto:PastorJC@fpcnh.org) The cost for the book is \$5.

**Sewing Supplies needed by Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services (IRIS):** The women's refugee sewing group is an important program for IRIS because it gives women with very little education a motive to be with others for a social time that comes with some assimilation. The sewing group is looking for donations of thread, material and scissors. If you have any of these items at home that you would like to donate, please place them in the labeled box in the Copeland Room.

**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 struggling with health issues.

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, November 12	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	11:50 a.m.	Friendship Hour
Tuesday, November 14	6:30 p.m.	Worship Committee
	7:15 p.m.	Mission Committee
Wednesday, November 15	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Homicide Survivors
Thursday, November 16	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	3rd Thursday Potluck at Manse
Saturday, November 18	9:30 a.m.	Women's AA
Sunday, November 19	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.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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