

# First Presbyterian Church

New Haven, Connecticut

*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

January 21, 2018

10:45 a.m.

## PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude	<i>Fantasia in A Minor</i>	Bach
Introit	Kyrie eleison, from <i>Missa Secunda</i>	Hassler

### Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Loving God, remind us of the privileges we enjoy as your people:

**To come to you in these moments, to confess our sin, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting spirits, to rest in all your promises.**

Open our eyes to see you, O God.

**Open our ears to hear your call.**

May our worship today help us to offer our entire lives to you and unite us with your whole church throughout the world. Amen.

**Come, let us worship God!**

*Hymn 624	<i>I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art</i> (congregation sings verses 1, 2, 3 & 5, choir sings verse 4)	TOULON
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### Call to Reconciliation

Silence is kept.

### Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, you have named us “Beloved” and you have called to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your bearers of love to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

### Assurance of Forgiveness

... Church, receive the abiding love of God.

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

*Song of Praise	<i>Creation of Peace</i>	Miller
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### \*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.

Minute for Mission

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Response *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Vasile

\*Affirmation of Faith

from the Belhar Confession

**We believe**

**that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;**

**that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;**

**that God calls the church to follow God in this;**

**for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;**

**that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;**

**that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;**

**that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;**

**that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;**

**that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against**

**and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;**

**that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged;**

**that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.**

**Therefore, we reject any ideology**

**which would legitimate forms of injustice and any doctrine which is unwilling to resist such an ideology in the name of the gospel.**

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 (p.170)

Psalm

Psalm 62:5-12

Second Lesson

Mark 1: 14-20 (p. 35)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Offering

Offertory Anthem

*Jesus Calls Us*

Patterson

Sermon

*Leave Your Nets*

The Rev. J.C. Cadwallader

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Hymn 721

*Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Gracious God, we return these gifts as a token of our gratitude, longing for the conviction and strength to offer our whole lives to your service. Grant us wisdom and discernment to be good stewards of such riches, that our ministry may bear good fruit for Jesus' sake. 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 733

*We All Are One in Mission*

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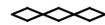
\*Benediction

Postlude

*Choral Song*

S. Wesley

\*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: Riley Lanz

Cantor: Mary Porterfield

Ushers: Ernie Bodenweber, Jean Murray

Friendship Hour Hosts: Mary Webber, Jenn Ballew, Elizabeth Gill

**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.

**Nursery care is provided** each morning in the Owens Community Building nursery. Infants and children are also welcome in the service and encouraged to participate fully in worship. A rocking chair is available nearby in the Copeland Room, and bulletins for ages 3-6 and 7-12 are found at the entrance.

**We welcome the congregation from Church of the Redeemer**, who are joining us for worship this morning, as they discern their future. After worship, everyone is invited to the adjacent Owens Building, where we can meet each other over refreshments.

**Abe's Tent finishes tomorrow!** Our church has been hosting 11 men from Columbus House for the past week. Many thanks to those who helped to host, provided dinner and breakfast, and stayed overnight. Special gratitude to Brian Gray, who's been the main organizer and coordinated us, helpers from First & Summerfield Church, and Columbus House.

**Volunteers needed!** Signup sheets for ushering and Friendship Hour are on the Welcome Table. We need a few extra people for next Sunday. Ushering and hosting friendship hour are easy, and a great way to meet a few new people. Why not partner with someone who's new, or new to you, and sign up as a team? If you're unsure about how to do the task, ask any of the Welcome Table Hosts for more info.

**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.

**Interested in Church Membership?** If you have you been a part of the First Pres community and are interested in joining as a member, you are invited to come to an Inquirer's Dinner! Pastor JC, along with some members of Session, invite you to come to dinner on Friday, January 26 at 6:30pm at the Manse to learn more. RSVP to: [PastorJC@fpcnh.org](mailto:PastorJC@fpcnh.org)

**Lenten Devotional Writers Wanted:** Do you love to write and want to share your gifts with the congregation? Your help is needed to write brief devotionals to be shared during the Lenten season. The theme will be "Path to the Cross" and the devotionals will be based on the Passion story as told through the Gospel of Matthew. If you are interested, please contact Bruce Gordon ([bruce.gordon@yale.edu](mailto:bruce.gordon@yale.edu))

**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.

For Jeff Miller, brother of David, who is recovering from surgery.

For Nancy Walker's 3-month old niece, recovering from surgery.

Prayers for those who suffer from gun violence.

Prayers for those who do not have enough to eat.

Prayers for people who are homeless.

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, January 21	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	Friendship Hour
Tuesday, January 23	6:00 p.m.	Homeless Point in Time Count
Wednesday, January 24	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, January 26	6:30 p.m.	Church Inquirer's Dinner
Saturday, January 27	9:30 a.m.	Women's AA
	5:00 p.m.	IRIS Refugee Party
Sunday, January 28	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	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 Tuesday 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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