



# Morning Song

2018: A Year in the Life of Jesus

March 18

8:45 and 11:00am

Welcome!

First Presbyterian Church is a community of believers committed to  
"Glorifying God and Sharing Christ Together through Word and Deed."

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Opening Music

Opening Prayer and Welcome

Prayer of Confession (see next page)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Time

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

Edith Lee Brown, daughter of Megan and Hunter Brown

"Come One, Come All, Come Follow" (11:00)

"Clinging To or Letting Go?"

Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

Reaffirmation of Faith and Commitment (next pg)

Song

Prayers

Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction

# Prayer of Confession

God our Redeemer,  
we confess that we are people of ashes and dust.  
You write your law in our hearts,  
yet we pretend we do not know you.  
You lifted up Christ for all to see,  
yet we turn away from your glory.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Teach us to delight in your way,  
to seek you with all our hearts,  
and to trust in your saving love.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ ...

*Silent Confession*

# Reaffirmation of Faith and Commitment

One: Do you renounce all evil, and powers in the world which defy God's righteousness and love?

**All: I renounce them.**

One: Do you renounce the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God?

**All: I renounce them.**

One: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

**All: I do.**

One: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love, to your life's end?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

One: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

One: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

One: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# Participating in Today's Services

Rev. Joanne R. Hull  
Rev. L. Craig Foster  
Cherub Choir and Junior Choristers

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## Sunday School

9:45am

**CHILDREN** (Birth-5<sup>th</sup> Gr): Classes in the Clark Building

**YOUTH** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Gr): Meets in Family Life Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

### **ADULTS**

<b>BIBLE ALIVE</b>	Room 2210
<b>CHOIR CLASS</b>	Room 2208
<b>CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVES</b>	Room C212
<b>EMMAUS CLASS</b>	Room 2207
<b>FAITH DRIVEN</b>	Room C210
<b>FELLOWSHIP CLASS</b>	Room 2201
<b>OPEN CLASS</b>	Room 2213
<b>PURNELL CLASS</b>	Purnell Room

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## Read the Bible Through This Year

### **This week's readings:**

Sunday, March 18	Deuteronomy 6, 7 / Psalm 33
Monday, March 19	Deuteronomy 8, 9 / Acts 28
Tuesday, March 20	Deuteronomy 10, 11 / Romans 1
Wednesday, March 21	Deuteronomy 12-14 / Romans 2
Thursday, March 22	Deuteronomy 15, 16 / Psalm 34
Friday, March 23	Deuteronomy 17, 18 / Romans 3
Saturday, March 24	Deuteronomy 19, 20 / Romans 4

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## Little Help...

Each Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Morningsong service, we make the room ready for Wednesdays at First. We would appreciate a few minutes of your time to help us move chairs and tables today at the end of worship. Many hands make the work lighter!

## MISSION THAT SERVES OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR GOD

*Our congregation serves God and our neighbors at home and abroad  
with these local and international missions.*

### LOCAL MISSIONS

**Poverty:** Monthly Hunger Offering; Mobile Meals; Winter Warmth; TOTAL Ministries; Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN); Habitat for Humanity; The Haven; CAST Program; Neighborhood Meal Ministry

**Healing:** Angel Tree; St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic; Children's Advocacy Center; HOPE Center for Children; SAFE Homes/Rape Crisis Network; Thornwell Home for Children; Presbyterian Communities of SC; Disaster Relief: One Great Hour of Sharing, Disaster Response Action Team; Kairos Prison Ministry; MLK, Jr. Celebration; Refugee Relief; Mental Health Advocacy

**Education:** Pine Street Elementary Tutoring; Boys & Girls Clubs; Spartanburg Presbyterian Student Association (UKIRK); Arcadia Outreach Ministry; Presbytery Unified Funds; The Shepherd's Center; Adult Learning Center

### INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

**Missionaries:** Support for missionaries - **Jo Ella Holman**, *PCUSA liaison for the Caribbean*; **Mark Hare and Jenny Bent**, *mission co-workers in Haiti and the Dominican Republic*; **Mission Workers** serving with Kurds; **Mission Workers** Serving in the Middle East

**Dominican Republic:** Clinica Cristiana; Center for Christian Education & Development (CCED School); Sponsorship of CCED School Children; Infant Nutrition Program

**Cuba:** Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada in Santa Clara partnership

**Haiti:** Haiti Outreach Ministries; Haiti Reforestation Project (CODEP)

**Philippines:** Precious Heritage Ministries orphanage and feeding program for street children

**India:** Set Free Alliance

**Witness Season**

**Bread for the World**

*This week, please pray for this PC(USA) Missionary:*

*Barbara Nagy (Malawi) and for*

*Spartanburg City Police Officer Keith Soules (FPC's Adopt-a-Cop).*

**Staff:** **Dr. Tom Evans**, Senior Pastor; **Rev. Craig Foster**, Associate Pastor, Communications/Operations; **Rev. Joanne Hull**, Associate Pastor, Congregational Care; **Rev. Christi Brown**, Pastoral Associate for Missions; **Holt Andrews**, Pastoral Musician; **Marcia Andrews**, Associate Director of Music and Organist; **Beth Burris**, Children's Ministries Director; **Ginger Shuler**, Intern for Adult Discipleship and Pastoral Care; **Beth Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **Colleen Darrall**, Recreation Director; **Jane Mullins**, Hospitality Director

**MorningSong Musicians:** Lisa Cunningham, *piano/vocals*; Kolby Carrouth, *drums*; Cooper Cecil, *bass*; Landon Hammett, *keyboard/vocals*; Jeff Key, *acoustic guitar/bass*; Leigha Pace, *vocals*.

**Need to Step Out During the Service?** If possible, please use the door in the back of Fogartie Hall.



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