



Morning Song

May 26, 2019

10:30am Fogartie Hall

Welcome!

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

Opening Music

Opening Prayer and Welcome

Prayer of Confession

Loving God,
we confess our tendency to see you with our own limitations.
We get so wrapped up in the values of critical inquiry and logic
that it stifles our hearts.

We struggle to pray and recite our creeds wholeheartedly
because we struggle with belief.
Sometimes we cannot see you;
Sometimes we cannot hear you;
We lose our trust in you
and instead turn our trust to things we can touch and measure.

Forgive us, faithful God.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
stir up our hearts, that we may experience you anew.

Children's Time

"Speaking a Different Language"

Proverbs 3:1-6; John 3:1-17

Rev. Leslie A. Lang

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I trust in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And [**I trust**] 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 trust 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.

Song

Prayers

Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Benediction

Participating in Today's Service

Rev. Leslie A. Lang
Rev. L. Craig Foster

Summer Sunday School

9:30am

CHILDREN (Birth-Rising 5th Grade): Classes in the Clark Building

YOUTH (Rising 6th-12th Grades): 2nd Floor of Family Life Center

ADULTS

EXPERIENCING GOD (Room 2201) This Summer Series will explore the ways that we experience God through the lens of Tom Evans' sabbatical work and through the work of several of our local mission partners.

May 26 & June 2: Tom Evans: Experiencing the Holy

June 9: Paige Stephenson; United Way of the Piedmont

June 16, 23 & 30: Tom Evans: Experiencing the Holy

July 7, 14, 21 & 28: Local Mission Partners

August 4, 11, 18, 25: Tom Evans: Experiencing the Holy

ENCOUNTERING JESUS (Room 2200) This summer open your Bible! Starting on June 2 and throughout the month of June, this Summer Series will explore five passages from John's Gospel, using Encounters with Jesus by Francis Taylor Gench as a guide. She writes about John, "when we read it, the person and promises of Jesus Christ seem more immediate and available. Jesus seems up close and personal in John and we find ourselves in direct encounter with him." Additional chapters of this summer series for July and August are in the works, and may include one of the minor prophets and one of the New Testament epistles. Led by Ansley Page, Jason Loscuito, and John Lefebvre.

FAITH DRIVEN (Room C210) This class is largely made up of parents of children and youth and seeks to learn more about the Bible and how to apply its truths within the workplace and the home.

OPEN CLASS (Room 2213) A small-group discussion of Christian themes in literature; open to all ages and points of view.

PURNELL CLASS (Purnell Room) For a hymn sing and an excellent Bible lesson, join this faithful group of men and women.

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

Staff: **Dr. Tom Evans**, Senior Pastor; **Rev. Craig Foster**, Associate Pastor, Discipleship and Communications; **Rev. Joanne Hull**, Associate Pastor, Congregational Care; **Rev. Leslie Lang**, Associate Pastor, Young Adults and Missions; **Mr. Robert Bannan**, Director of Youth and Campus Ministries; **Rev. Ansley Page**, Pastoral Associate; **Mr. Holt Andrews**, Pastoral Musician; **Mrs. Marcia Andrews**, Associate Director of Music and Organist; **Mrs. Cesily King**, Interim Director of Children's Ministries; **Ms. Beth Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **Mrs. Colleen Darrall**, Recreation Director; **Mrs. Jane Mullins**, Hospitality Director

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

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