

# Morning Song

July 16, 2017

10:30am

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

Children's Time

"I AM ... Weak"

Rev. Christi Brown

John 15:1-5

Song

Affirmation of Faith (see next page)

Prayers

Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction

# Today's Poll

*To participate in today's poll using text message,  
go ahead and text FPCS to 22333 to login.*

**When directed, complete this sentence: "I Am Weak . . ."**

It can be "I am weak when..." or "I feel weak when..."  
or whatever you feel led to include.

*Please submit your response via text to 22333  
or at PollEv.com/fpcs.*

## Today's Scripture

John 15:1-5 (NRSV)

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. <sup>2</sup> He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

## 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.

# Participating in Today's Service:

Rev. Christi O. Brown  
Ginger Shuler, Candidate for Ministry

Summer Schedule Sunday School  
June 4 - August 27 at 9:30am

## **CHILDREN and YOUTH**

**Nursery** (Birth-2K) and **Preschool** (3K-4K)  
1st Floor Clark Bldg

**Elementary** (5K-5th Grade)  
2nd Floor Clark Bldg

**Youth** (6th-12th Grade)  
2nd Floor FLC

## **ADULTS**

**Special Summer Class**  
(Room 2201)

***The Story of the Bible, Part 2:  
Reading the Bible from the  
Middle Ages to Today***  
A Video Lecture Series by  
Luke Timothy Johnson

Next week  
- July 23 -  
Summer class  
Jo Ella Holman  
Missionary in the Caribbean

**Faith Driven and Spark**  
(Combined Classes in Room C210)

**Open Class**  
(Room 2213)

**Purnell Class**  
(Purnell Room)

## 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 Jander 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**, **This week**, please pray for these PC(USA) Missionaries:  
**John and Gwenda Fletcher** (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and for  
**Spartanburg City Police Officer Keith Soules** (FPC's Adopt-a-Cop).*

**Staff:** **Dr. Tom Evans**, Senior Pastor; **Rev. Craig Foster**, Associate Pastor, Education/Discipleship; **Rev. Joanne Hull**, Associate Pastor, Congregational Care; **Rev. Jason Moore**, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults; **Rev. Christi Brown**, Pastoral Associate for Missions; **Holt Andrews**, Pastoral Musician; **Marcia Andrews**, Associate Director of Music and Organist; **Penny Wright**, Youth Director; **Beth Burris**, Children's Ministries Director; **Beth Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **Colleen McCullough**, 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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