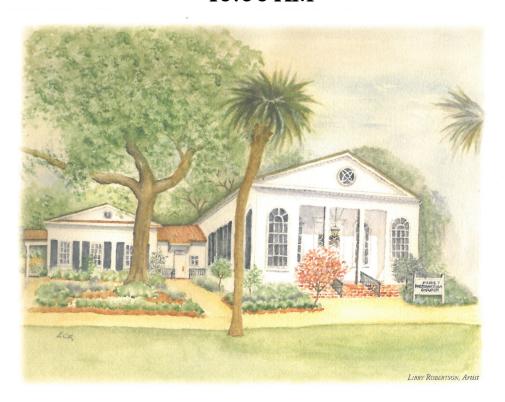


# A Service for the Worship of God July 4, 2020 10:00 AM



To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.

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Striking of the Hour



Opening Words & Call to Worship (Psalm 123)......Reverend Becky Albright

To you I lift up my eyes,

O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

Have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord



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#### Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we are quick to criticize, quick to judge, quick to blame. We fail to offer others the same grace we receive from you. We hold ourselves up as superior and fail to address the patterns of dominance we perpetuate. Forgive us, God. Help us seek understanding and compassion. Help us accept the love you offer us and share your love with others. (Let us continue in prayer silently)

#### Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

\*Affirmation of Faith (From a Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good

and makes everyone equally in God's image,

male and female, of every race and people,

to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

Ignoring God's commandments,

we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.

We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love,

the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel

from the house of bondage.

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,

God is faithful still.

Giving and Receiving

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.



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### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Our Lord's Prayer

God is here.

God's Spirit is with us. *Lift up your hearts.* 

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give thanks to you, creating God, breath of all being; the earth is yours and all that is in it, and all who dwell therein. You founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the deep. You planted seeds in fertile ground, to rise and sing your praise. Glory to you forever. You formed us from the earth and planted goodness in our souls, that we might love like you. You called us to live your law of harmony and to long for your commands. Yet, when our disordered cravings bowed down our spirit, you did not leave us low, but bent down to meet us and grow us up again. Therefore we lift our voices in thanksgiving, for you have wondrously made us. By water and your life-giving Spirit, you have more wondrously remade us to join the song of all creation and forever sing your praise:

Holy, holy Lord, God of goodness and light,
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes
In the name of the Lord.

We give you thanks, O God, that you sowed your Word in Jesus, to grow your kingdom here on earth and draw us ever near. Jesus planted mercy wherever he went, to reap a greater righteousness. He shared bread with outcasts and sinners and healed the brokenhearted.

#### Glory to you forever.

Remembering his dying and rising, we offer you this bread and wine, and ourselves in grateful service. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts and all your people here today. Breathe your Spirit over all creation that together we may cultivate peace in every corner of the world. Then bring us to that blessed mountain where with the meek and pure in heart we will live forever in blessedness as we taste the fruits of heaven.

#### Glory to you forever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, by the inspiration of your Life-giving Spirit, we worship you, Creating God, in songs of endless praise and the prayer of your Son, Jesus Christ.

#### 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

#### Words of Institution

# Communion of the People

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

\*Hymn......I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

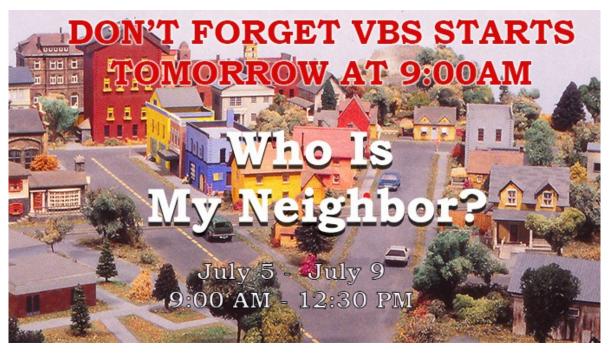


\*Benediction

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME to all who join us for worship today.** If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at **www.firstpresbeaufort.org** for sermons, news, and current events.

**THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE** given to the glory of God as we commemorate Independence Day for our nation.



#### **GENEVA CIRCLE AND BEYOND!**

What: Wednesday Morning Prayer Walk (walk 30 minutes average - power walk, stroll, or roll)

Who: All First Presbyterian Women, families, friend, or neighbors

Starting: Wednesday, July 7-Wednesday, July 28

Time: 7:00am prayer begins

Where Southside Park in Mossy Oaks area parking lot off Southside Blvd.

Heavy Rain Location: Lady's Island Walmart

## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE.

"Don't wish me happiness. I don't expect to be happy all the time.
Wish me courage and strength and a sense of humor.
I will need them all." -Anne Morrow Lindbergh

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Office Closed for Holiday

MON. JULY 5

#### **OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The children of Neighborhood Outreach Connection (NOC) at Marsh Pointe Center would like to thank you for your generosity by providing healthy snacks. As always, you went above and beyond and they now have granola bars and fruit snacks to carry them into summer. The majority of these students receive free lunches at school and are ready for a snack when they arrive at NOC following their school day. Even though it is not reflected in these photos, there are generally 23 children who receive tutoring and assistance with their homework Monday - Thursday. This summer it is anticipated that this number will expand to around 35 as children from the Parkview Center join them. Following some renovations to Parkview, both programs will be in full operation beginning in the fall, during the third week of August. Our support is instrumental in helping the staff of NOC provide for these children. Please note that we are now collecting whole grain Goldfish and cheese crackers such as Lance's and will continue to do so for the next 6-8 weeks at which time we will offer a new opportunity or "ask". When these donations are delivered, we are also adding apples and oranges. On behalf of the Outreach Committee, we thank you for your ongoing support of this worthy organization that serves children in need in our community.

NOC is looking for a teacher for their Marsh Pointe Center for after school, Monday—Thursday 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM until June 17th. They are also in need of volunteers and paid teachers for their summer session July 6-30 Monday – Friday, 3 PM – 5 PM. If this is something you are interested in doing please reach out to Madeline from NOC at 260-609-0034 or via email at madelinehoward@noc-sc.org

