

The Great Commission



Matthew 28

First Presbyterian Church

June 6, 2020
10:30 AM

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CENTERING PRAYER

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength, now and always. Come, Holy Spirit, enter our lives. Whisper our names, and make yourself known among us. Scatter your gifts of grace among us. Then send us to those places where we need to be to serve you. Come, Holy Spirit, come. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**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.

CALL TO WORSHIP**Psalm 8: 1-5,9**

- ¹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and avenger.
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
The moon and the stars that you have established;
- ⁴ what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jennifer Hartsock

CALL TO CONFESSION**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Where do we begin, Lord God? We survey our world and see the inequity and violence, the death of innocents and the exploitation of the vulnerable. We would like to say that we do not participate in such blatant brutality, but when we do not work for justice, stand with the oppressed and speak truth to power, we perpetuate the very things you hate the most. Your prophets tell us plainly that our worship offends you when it is not accompanied by our care for the least among us. We need your help, Almighty God. We cannot right the wrongs of our world or cleanse the sin within our souls without your intervention. We come to you now, humbled, contrite, begging for your mercy, longing

for your transformation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

(our prayer continues in silence)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Friends, hear the Good News! We have been justified through faith in Jesus.

We have been received into the embrace of God's grace.

Friends, believe the Good News!

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Don't worry, we have a new social distance appropriate way!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 28: 16-20
2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

SERMON

Rev. Andy S. Chambers

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Belhar Confession

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. That unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain; that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted. That this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways; in that we love one another; that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another.

OFFERTORY

Troy Webb

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines On Me



June Birthdays

2	Gideon Padtha
12	Todd Coker
14	Corinne Campbell
15	Parks Miller
16	Veovong Bouasy
23	Mike Crawford
24	Stan Perry
	William Hartsock
29	Michael Wiles

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer Person(s) of the week:
Phyllis Marshall

In the Oaks (Scenic):
John Howard

In the Military: **Captain Alex McLean** and family; **Cpt. Joe Campbell** and his family, **LCpl Kevin Matthews** (Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii) and his family.



Family of Sylvia Palmer; Greg Hopkins; Pat Perry and family; Leighton Miller (Charlie and Pam Miller's grandson); **Family of Julia Ivester** (friend of Diane Hopkins); **Family of Ruth Breed; Geoff Tipton; Jerry and Joyce Barrett; Laurie Oldroyd** (George and Martha Kaulbach's daughter); **Bill Ford; Jan Tolbert** (friend of Pastor Andy); **Betty Schaeffer; John Foster; Celeste Sumner; Teresa Touralack; Ann Nermoe** (Bill Ford's sister); **Melody Little** (Marilyn Bedsworth's daughter); **Garth and Sue Smith; Carolyn and Jeff Denton; David and Martha Lee Sherman; Karen Hooper** (Troy Webb's Stepsister); **Mary Sue Tripp** (Troy Webb's cousin); **Maria Costley; Robin Griffin; Jackie Williams** (Sharon Baskin's cousin); **Philip Barber; Bonnie McKim; Brad Donaldson** (Ron & Karen Sprayberry's son-in-law); **Pete Lewis** (Joy Mullen's uncle); **our country, its leaders, and those working in the medical field.**

Emma-Jewell Circle



For the month of June, the Emma Jewell Circle Bible Study will be conducted at home. Marilyn will send the lesson to those interested.

*The Circle WILL meet in person on July 14.
The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall to
promote safe distancing.*