



First Presbyterian Church

June 14, 2020
10:30 AM

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MUSICAL MEDITATION*O God Our Help in Ages Past*

Martha Kaulbach

CENTERING PRAYER

God of wonder, you appeared to Abraham as three persons; you reveal your fullness in your Song Jesus Christ. Your Spirit fills your people with hope through the peacemaking cross of Jesus. Gather us as Christ's faithful disciples and empower us with his good news, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy.

Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal,

To be forgiven and to forgive, to be freed from sin and to set others free,

To tell one another and the world: God's presence is at hand.

Sisters and Brothers in Christ, let us worship God!

SPECIAL MUSIC*America the Beautiful*

Ed Hendricks

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

Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for you. We do not sense your nearness, and if there are angels among us, we are unaware. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to you. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by your Spirit. O Covenant-keeper, forgive us. Let us laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with this good news so that others will also receive your blessing through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(our prayer continues in silence)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Christ gave his life to save us from the wrath of God.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Trust the Good News of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSON

Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 18: 1-15

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Andy S. Chambers

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*from the Belhar Confession*

We believe in God- the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church. We believe the church is one worldwide communion of saints, called from the entire human family. We believe the church is the single community of believers, reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that through the working of God's Spirit, unity is a binding force and also that we must seek this unity, which must become visible to the world. We believe that the sin of division, separation, and hatred between people and groups has been conquered by Christ We commit ourselves to protecting the unity of the church universal. We pledge to make this unity active in all of our words, thoughts and deeds. Amen.

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**OFFERTORY**

Jennifer Hartsock

PRAYER OF DEDICATION**BLESSING AND CHARGE****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:
Chuck & Sue Martin

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.



Bob McKim; Duren Chambers; Family of Sylvia Palmer; Greg Hopkins; Betty Gillette; Lyle Eberhart (Tim Mullen’s brother-in-law); **Jim Stone** (friend of Ed Hendricks); **Pat Perry and family; Leighton Miller** (Charlie and Pam Miller’s grandson); **Family of Julia Ivester** (friend of Diane Hopkins); **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); **peace in our country and around the world.**



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.

Peacock Banner

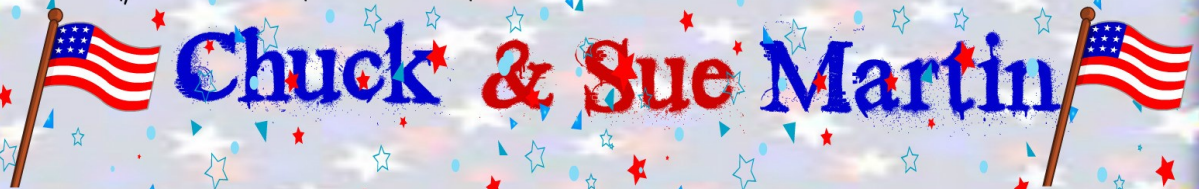


The peacock banner hanging in the Sanctuary was made by Marilyn Bedsworth out of real peacock feathers. It reminds us that the peacock was an early symbol of Christianity, representing rebirth, reawakening, renewal, restoration, and resurrection. The eye at the end of each tail feather reminded people of the all-seeing eye of God.



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PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK



THINKING OF YOU

