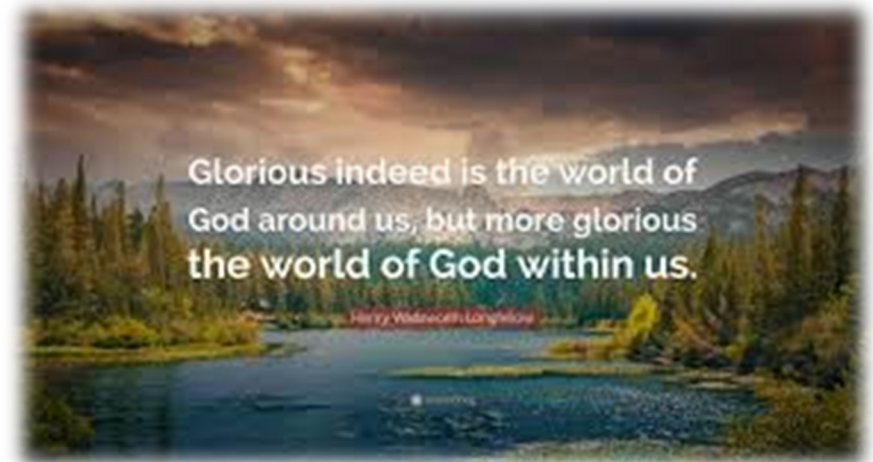


Sunday, June 9, 2024
3rd Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM

BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS ...
LOVE JOY ★ PEACE
→ PATIENCE
kindness GOODNESS *faithfulness*
GENTLENESS & SELF-CONTROL
GALATIANS 5:22-23



First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City
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“A Family Intervention”

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We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds: "If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one." *Dolly Parton*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

Elder Marty Cropper

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

This is a day of new beginnings!

This is a time for growing into new disciples for Jesus.

Come, let us prepare ourselves for worship

Let us be prepared for service to God. Amen.

Prelude

Choral Introit: "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

*** Hymn: "Morning Has Broken" # 60**

*** Passing the Peace**

Sharing our Concerns, Joys, and Affirmations

Call to Confession

We live our lives, tiptoeing around the facts that we often say words we should never have uttered, we do those things we wish we could take back. Yet, you would reach out to take us by the hand, so we walk together in the garden of grace. Let us offer our hearts, and our brokenness, to our God, who offers us mercy in these moments. Join me as we use the words found below, praying,

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord, forgive us when we see your miracles all around us and still doubt your power, presence and love. Forgive us when we treat this world and each other with careless indifference or with malice. You, who have created the most wondrous things from the smallest of particles, can create in our hearts confidence and

Current Prayer Concerns:

Marie McCallister, Thomas Simpson, Chris Hazard, Kent Mitchell, Hudson Day, Margy Kreppel, Amy Etheridge, Bonnie Hancock, Eric Richardson, Samantha Kilgore, Bob Lebo, Lydia Frasca, Diane Devanna, Larry (Black) Blackwell, Lake Scott, Bryan Wayne-Records, Kathy Smith, Larry Steele, Margie Baugher Cramer, Mark Payne, Beth Miller, Pat and Ben Steele, and Joey Martin.

Fellowship Hosts Coming Up:

June	16	Mabel Rogers & Vicky Cairns
June	23	Ann Hales & Marty Cropper
June	30	Barbara & Betsy Kipila
July	7	Lisa Bayles & Jonelle Jones
July	14	Dawn Butler & Sue Latour
July	21	Vickie Cairns & Jan Owens
July	28	Brenda Wilkinson & Carol Reese

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Welcome—Soli Deo Gloria

Calendar, Birthdays ... and more!

Sun	June	9	Boy Scouts Troop 2173	4:00	PM
Sun	June	9	CRU - Fellowship Hall - Prayer	7:30	PM
Mon	June	10	CRU - Fellowship Hall	6:00	PM
Tues	June	11	Session Meeting	1:00	PM
Wed	June	12	Hand Bells Practice	5:00	PM
Wed	June	12	Choir Practice	6:00	PM
Fri	June	14	Narcotics Anonymous	7:00	PM

Birthdays: *Lou LaBrunda Sr (6/11)*

Session Minutes

We will now be posting Minutes of the Session Meeting after they have been approved at the next meeting.

You will find them on the hall bulletin board.

Congregation Financials as of April 30, 2024:

- Year-to-date giving/income (\$60,652.51 from giving; remainder from parking, building use, etc.): \$68,814.75

- Year-to-date disbursements: \$52,189.03

Note: A bookkeeping change was made to charge \$20,166 against Capital Improvement for the new windows installed in the Manse in 2023. Capital Improvement balance now stands at \$89,666.08.

hope. From our lives you can fashion the most delightful miracles that can serve you through acts of mercy and kindness. Free us, Lord, to receive your blessings and, having received them, to find the numerous ways in which we can serve you. Heal our wounded hearts. Hear our cries. Come to us and bring us home. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

Hope in God, dear friends. For the One who listens to our prayers is the God who loves us. The One who knows our foolish lives better than we do, is the God who forgives us.

This is indeed good news for us. No longer do we need to wait, but can rush into God's gracious embrace, knowing that God will walk with us even when we stumble, will continue to affirm us, when everyone else around us tears us down. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

* Gloria Patri (unison)

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.

Invitation to the Offering

With gratitude for God's faithfulness and with thanksgiving for all that we have received, let us bring our gifts to God

* Doxology (unison)

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

Prayer of Dedication

O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.

Choral Anthem "The Nail-Scarred Hand"

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen

1st Scripture: Genesis 3: 8-15 [NRSV]

Lou LaBrunda

⁸ They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

⁹ But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."

¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³ Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

¹⁴ The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

2nd Scripture Reading: Mark 3: 20-35 [NRSV]

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²⁰ Then he went home, and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³ And he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸ "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness but is guilty of an eternal sin" — ³⁰ for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹ Then his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside

they sent to him and called him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside asking for you." ³³ And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴ And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Time with Children & Youth

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Sermon: "A Family Intervention"

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* Hymn: "In Christ There Is No East or West" # 285

* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed (unison)
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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (unison)

* Hymn: "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" # 477

Charge

Benediction

Postlude and Response: "Go into the World"

Liturgy credit: The Presbyterian Outlook, Lectionary Liturgies, Ministry Matters