

# Children's Sabbath Sunday

October 20, 2019

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

### Silent Prayer of Preparation

Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but your own. Help us to seek and be able to follow your will. May our prayers be joined with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith, that together we may glorify your name and enjoy your fellowship forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**Prelude** **Improvisation on "Jesus Loves Me"** Traditional

**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Minute for Stewardship** Kirk Todd

**Choral Introit** **Let Us Break Bread Together** J. Gallina  
*Chancel Choir & KidMin*

### Call to Worship

Leader: We have gathered in this place  
**All: welcomed like a lost child back into our warm, safe home.**  
Leader: We have gathered in this space  
**All: embraced like the children greeted by Jesus when others turned us away.**  
Leader: We have gathered together here, around the table.  
**All: With praise and adoration, let us worship God!**

**\*Hymn #461** **God Is Here!**

**\*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer** Hymnal, p. 16

### Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you created a world touched by your compassionate hand, yet there are people who never hear kindness and never experience unconditional love in ways they can understand. You created a world with time for rest and worship with you, yet we create longer to-do lists and more commitments. It is our sin—through what we have done and what we have left undone, what we have said and what we have kept silent—that has caused your world to feel less compassionate, less restful, less peaceful, and less bountiful. Forgive us. Place us back into the work of reconciling ourselves to our neighbors and this world so that we may again return to your loving creation. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Children of God, hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus!  
**All: Because of our merciful God, through our gracious Lord Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and can be at peace.**

**\*Gloria Patri** Hymn #579

*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: The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 14

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Children's Moment

Peter Thompson

*Following the Children's Moment, children 4-years-old through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade are invited to participate in a combined Worship Workshop experience in Room 1 on the ground floor.  
All children 3 and under are welcome in the Nursery. Please see blue pew card for more information.*

### Prayer for Illumination

**New Testament Lesson:** Luke 2:41-50 (pew Bible NT, p. 59)

**Epistle Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-34, *The Message* (pew Bible NT, p. 173)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### "Etiquette & Posture"

Kathleen Lifsey

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn #515

**Now to Your Table Spread**

### Prayers of the People

### Call to Offering Offertory Anthem

**Ring Jubilee**  
*Chancel Ringers*

S. E. Geschke

### \*Doxology

Hymn #592

*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.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

## WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

### \*Hymn #429

**Lord, You Give the Great Commission**

### \*Benediction and Sharing the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ

**\*Postlude** **Postlude on "All Creatures of Our God and King"** J. Longhurst

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**Worship Leaders: Caroline Shoemaker, Dylan Childress, Rosa East,  
Hollins Pierpoint, Brady Byrne, & Hunter Cleland**

*Children's Sabbath Sunday is described by the PCUSA Mission as "a time for people of all faiths to unite in shared concern for children and common commitment to improving children's lives and working for justice on their behalf." As a part of the Jewish Sabbath tradition, it is common to share how God is at work in one's life. That is our hope this morning: to share and celebrate how God is working in the lives of the children connected to our community of faith here at FPCLY.*

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

### Sunday, October 20

- 8:45 a.m. Being Reformed Spiritual Growth Group (Library)
- 9:00 a.m. Coffee Café (Officers' Room)
- 9:15 a.m. Spiritual Growth (Various Locations)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Walk with God (Rear Parking Lot)
- 5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (FH/MS Youth Room)
- 6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group (FH/HS Youth Room)

### Monday, October 21

- 9:30 a.m. Marys and Marthas (HS Youth Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Scouts BSA Troop 7 (Scout Room, for boys 11-18)
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Community Bible Study (Martin-Gifford Room)

### Tuesday, October 22

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Library)
- 5:00 p.m. Worship & Music Committee (Officers' Room)
- 6:30 p.m. Congregational Life Committee (Officers' Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Scouts BSA Troop 49 (Room 126, for girls 11-18)
- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 7 (Scout Room, boys and girls K-5th Grade)

### Wednesday, October 23

- 12:00 p.m. Open Chapel
- 12:30 p.m. Al-Anon (Martin-Gifford Room)

### Thursday, October 24

- 7:30 a.m. Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study (Martin-Gifford Room)
- 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Bride's Room)
- 11:45 a.m. Westminster Canterbury Luncheon (Fauber Room)
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Bell Ringers (Bell Room, 206)
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

### Saturday, October 26

- 4:00 p.m. First Pres Presents: Liberty University Chamber Singers (Sanctuary)

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**Pastor on Call:** Peter Thompson (336) 269-7270 and Chad McCain (617) 304-9802

**Members Helping Members for October:** Sheila Modjeska, 384-2021 and Sue Thornton, 384-5299

**The Chancel Flowers are given** in honor of the marriage of Gabrielle Gammon and Michael MacDowall.

**Please return Pledge Cards today!** Stewardship packets were mailed a few weeks ago. We ask that you review the information, prayerfully consider your pledge for 2020, and return your pledge card by the end of October.

**All Saints' Service of Remembrance:** Friday, November 1 at 11:00 a.m. in the Columbarium. All Saints' Day is a time to honor those in our church community who have gone before us, passing from their earthly life into their eternal life. This service will include a reading of each name of those who have passed away in the last year and the sacrament of communion. (Rain: Chapel)

**Sabbath in the Suburbs Christian Family Retreat (Clark Spiritual Growth Initiative):** *Everyone needs a break! We all need retreat!* Friday–Sunday, March 6–8, 2020, at Massanetta Springs, Virginia, there will be a retreat for all individuals, couples, and family units led by MaryAnn McKibben Dana. More information and registration forms are available on the table just off the Foyer. There is a cost to participate in this event. Registration and deposit due by November 1, 2019, to Karen Wydner. \*First 40 to register will receive \$25 off each participant registered!\*

**"First Pres Presents"** Fine Art Series will be hosting the **Liberty University Chamber Singers** at First Presbyterian on Saturday, October 26 at 4:00 p.m. We welcome one of the premier chamber ensembles of the community into the wonderful singing space of FPCLY's Sanctuary. The group will present a varied program of impressive choral literature, under the direction of Dr. Wayne Kompelien. A reception will follow in the Narthex.

**Family Game Night:** Wednesday, November 7 (Fellowship Hall) 5:30–7:00 p.m. Games, food, and fun for the whole family. All are welcome. Sponsored by Congregational Life.

**Citrus Fruit Sale:** Benefitting the programs of Churches for Urban Ministry. Citrus order forms are available on the table just off the Foyer. Pre-paid orders must be received by Sunday, November 3 for delivery by Thursday, December 12.

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