Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Hebrews 12:1
First Presbyterian Church

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2019 11:00 am

Writing in **bold** is for the congregation response.
*Please stand as you are able.

**Gathering Around the Word**

**Music for Meditation**

**Welcome**

*Call to Worship (Psalm 90)*

**Leader:** Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**People:** From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

**Leader:** Teach us to count our days, that we may gain a wise heart.

**People:** Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**Leader:** Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

**People:** Let the favor of the Lord be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands.

*Hymn 24 “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” Hyfrydol

**Call to Reconciliation**

We come to worship seeking a closer relationship with God. Let us take time now to still the aimless chatter in our minds and focus our thoughts on the One who has led us here.

**Unison Prayer for Forgiveness**

Lord, you walk with us every day of our lives. You know every hair on our heads. You are with us in our lying down and in our rising up. There are times when we sense that you are very close to us. But at other times you seem so far away. Help us, Lord, to trust in you even in those moments when we wonder where you are. Help us to recognize your love through the kindness and caring of people you put in our lives.

*Silent Prayer*
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *(from John 3:16-17)*

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace*

Greet each other in the love & forgiveness of Christ; saying “Peace be with you!” and responding “and also with you!”

*Response *(GTG 582)*

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me!"

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

**Hearing the Word**

**Announcements**

**Children’s Moment *(GTG 175)* “Seek Ye First” Lafferty**

*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!*

**Anthem**

“For All the Saints” John Bell

**Prayer of Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 5:1-4

Liturgist:  The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon Scripture**


Preacher:  The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

“Let Me Tell You a Story” Rev. Kathleen Crighton

**Hymn 730**

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” Grand Isle

**Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles’ Creed

*Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal pg. 35*
Sharing the Word with the World

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

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. (repeat 7 times)

Prayers of the People (concluding with 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;
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.

Hymn “When The Saints Go Marching In”

(Refrain)

Oh, when the saints go marching in,
Oh, when the saints go marching in,
Dear Lord, I want to be in that number,
When the saints go marching in.

I want to join the heav’nly band,
Want to join the heav’nly band,
Want to hear the trumpets ablowing
When the saints come marching in. (Refrain)

I want to wear a happy smile,
Want to wear a happy smile,
Want to sing and shout “Hallelujah!”
When the saints come marching in. (Refrain)

*Benediction
Leadership in Today’s Service:

Preaching: Rev. Kathleen Crighton
Liturgist: Elder Dee Boling
Choir Coordinator: Amanda Bennett
Piano: Amanda Wadsworth  Offertory: Sydney McMath
Children’s moment: Rev. Lynn Hyder

Next Sunday, August 25, 2019
Rev. Lynn Hyder will be preaching.

Children’s and Youth Sunday School will resume September 1 at 10am.
Thanks to those for volunteering to help with the children on Sundays.
There is a Biblical story book in the room, please read one story to the children then they can have free time inside or outside.

Monthly Schedule:
- 1st Sunday Lydia and Gabe
- 2nd Sunday Carolyn and Chris/Ken
- 3rd Sunday Lydia and Gabe
- 4th Sunday Mary Frances/David and Tracy Helms-Capasso
- 5th Sunday Lydia and Tracy/Angela

If you can’t do your Sunday no worries we will all fill in for each other. Just mark your calendar for your Sunday. If there is a back slash/with your name and someone else you alternate that Sunday with them doing every other month.

REFRESHMENT FOR AFTER WORSHIP SIGN-UP.
If you would like to provide refreshments for after worship on any Sunday, please use the sign-up sheet that is on the refreshment table.

Many thanks to Cheryl Roberts and Chris Roberts for the refreshments for this Sunday, August 18.

Those who have signed up are listed below.
- August 25      Lamar Williamson
- September 1   Diane and Henry Kleinfeldt
- September 8   
- September 15  Lynn Hyder
- September 22
- September 29


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## WELCOME VISITORS! We Are Glad You Are Here.

If you are a visitor or guest we invite you to sign the visitor/guest register which is located in the Narthex and sign the guest/visitors card located in your bulletin and put in the offering plate. We care about you and want to know who you are.

We welcome you to historic, progressive First Presbyterian Church this morning! Here are a few things to get you up to speed.

- A bathroom is available (with a changing table) at the back of the church in the left hand alcove as you face the entrance doors.
- We take the passing of the peace seriously, so don’t be surprised if you get offered hugs! If you’re not comfortable with this, you may remain in the pew during this time.
- Please plan to stay after worship for a few minutes to share refreshments at the back of the church; it’s an extension of our understanding of communion and a chance to share God’s hospitality.
- We were the first “More Light Congregation” in New Orleans which means we welcome not only the membership, but the leadership and talents of all genders, abilities, races, and sexual orientations. We appreciate the spiritual and financial support your attendance brings. You may put cash or a check in the offering plate that will be passed towards the end of the service, or give using your smartphone to scan this code--->
- Even if you are just visiting the city, we want you to feel welcome in our community and to involve yourself in the life of this place. Please sign the visitor book in the vestibule before you go and like us on Facebook at facebook.com/fpcno and follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/fpcno!
- also We have a Yahoo Group (go to www.fpcno.org and click on the Yahoo Group connection) that will keep you up to date on all the fun activities and service opportunities with the church.
Prayer List
Please keep this list with you
This week and pray for...

Peggy Brown Boardman & family – mother of Alexis Boardman Bounds and friend of Bruce Robertson.

Bruce Robertson and Family – Bruce’s aunt Mrs. Yvonda died.

Sandy Sarr - friend of Dee Boling.

Michael Caine – friend of Randy Boling.

Leah Eskine – friend of Dee Boling.

Abey Colon – friend of Peter Cho.

Marianne Hutton – Sherri Hutton’s stepmom.

Kristen Everley – bestfriend of Sydney McMath.

*All those struggling with addictions.*

*Prayers for the homeless*

Our Homebound family.
Please visit them and keep them in your prayers.

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