

First Presbyterian Church

5401 South Claiborne Avenue
New Orleans, La. 70125

October 29, 2017

To be a Christian without prayer
is no more possible than to be alive
without breathing.

Martin Luther

First Presbyterian Church
Reformation Sunday

October 29, 2017

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

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

All: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

All: The Lord's name be praised.

*HYMN 321

"The Church's One Foundation"

Aurelia

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**All: Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our shortcomings,
and our offenses against you.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.**

**Have mercy on us, O Lord,
for we are ashamed and sorry
for all we have done to displease you.
Forgive our sin,
and help us to live in your light,
and walk in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen**

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus said:
You shall love the Lord your God

Matt. 22:37-40

with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your mind.
This is the greatest and first commandment.
And a second is like it:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
On these two commandments
hang all the law and the prophets.

*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 591)

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah,
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Halle, Halle

Hearing the Word

A TIME WITH CHILDREN (*congregation singing*)

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM “Now Thank We All Our God”

William Pasch

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURES

New Testament Readings

1 John 1:8-22
Matthew 18:21-22

Liturgist: The word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 6:7-9a, 12

Liturgist: The word of the Lord
Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON “No Matter What You Call It”

Rev. Kim Rodrigue

*HYMN 722 “Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

Canonbury

*AFFIRMATIONS OF FAITH FROM MARTIN LUTHER

Pray, and let God worry.

Everything that is done in the world is done by hope.

**You are not only responsible for what you say,
but also for what you do not say.**

**I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all;
but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess.**

Whatever your heart clings to and confides in, that is really your God.

Forgiveness is God's command.

If I am not allowed to laugh in heaven, I don't want to go there.

Sharing the Word with the World

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*concluding with the Ecumenical Lord's Prayer*)

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION (607)

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*HYMN 275

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Ein Feste Burg

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (748)

Tallis Canon

**"Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every
coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be
our gift to you."**

Resources used in today's worship service include:

Book of Common Worship

October 29, 2017
Leadership in today's service

PASTOR
Kim Rodrigue

MUSIC DIRECTOR
May Ball

LITURGIST
DeeBoling

PIANIST
Amanda Wadsworth

Next Sunday we will be celebrating communion and observing All Saints Day. We will be lighting candles in memory of people we love who have died and giving God thanks for their lives.

We are in the midst of a series of sermons in which we will be exploring the different phrases in the Lord's Prayer. Our worship will be complemented by the singing and praying of some different versions of the Prayer. If you, or someone you know, has been struggling with whether prayer is relevant in a turbulent time like our own, or how to pray in meaningful ways, or how to make a difference in the world, or what faith has to do with contemporary struggles, these sermons may speak to your concerns.



WELCOME VISITORS!

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 near the beginning of the service seriously, so don't be surprised if you get offered hugs!
- 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 are the only "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! We also 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.

EQUALITY



FOR ALL



WHAT'S UP?

Don't forget to check out the updated First Presbyterian Church website www.fpcno.org to catch up on breaking church news, events and links to the wider world of mission! Also, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!

PASTOR KIM AROUND TOWN

One of my commitments in my weekly work schedule is to have some set hours at a place outside the church building. Sometimes people are more comfortable talking with a pastor outside of the walls of a church. It may be a time for you to drop by or to bring a friend to visit. You don't have to have a particular need to stop by, but it is fine if you do. It's a time for conversation on anything from personal matters to church concerns to world peace – or anything else.

Pastor Kim's walk, coffee & beer hours:

- Monday, October 30th , 5:30pm Audubon Park - by the lake on St. Charles Ave. side.
- Tuesday, October 31st, 7 -9am Morning Call (City Park)
- Wednesday, November 1st, 5-7pm Oak (8118 Oak Street)

I will be at the church on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4 for anyone who wants to drop by. I'm glad to meet with you at another time, either at the church or someone else. Just call 504-866-7409 or email me at kim@fpcno.org to set up a time.

Sunday School for children begins on Nov. 12! Our teachers are: Lynn Hyder and Christopher Roberts (youth); Tracy Renee' Helms-Capasso, Billye Constance and Marjan Aslanberigi (elementary); Magen Dolce and Angela Horn (pre-school). Many thanks to them for their leadership!

The FPCNO adult Bible study

Takes place every Sunday morning from 9:30am to 10:30am in the Session room. Each week we read and discuss the current lesson from "The Present Word" Bible study series (published quarterly by PCUSA). Our Sunday morning gatherings are informal and typically consists of approximately 6 to 8 participants. All are welcome to attend. Coffee and refreshments are served.

FPCNO THIS WEEK



Monday-Friday 3pm-dusk	Pumpkin selling	Pumpkin Patch
Monday	1pm-3pm 5:30pm	Program of Hope Setup Kim's Group walk
		Sanctuary Audubon Park - by the lake on St. Charles Ave. side
Tuesday	7am-9am	Kim's coffee hours
		Morning Call (City Park)

Wednesday	9am-10:30am 2pm-4pm 5pm-7pm	Program of Hope Kim's office hours Kim's beer hours	Sanctuary First Presbyterian Church Oak (8118 Oak Street)
Thursday	6pm-7pm	Meditation Service	Session room
Sunday	9:30pm 11am	Adult Bible Study Sunday Worship	Session room Sanctuary



Prayer List

Please keep this list with you this week and pray for...

**The victims of hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria.
The victims of the tragic shooting in Las Vegas and
all who are affected by gun violence in our Country.
Those affected and lives lost in the fires of
Calistoga, in Napa County California.**

Dana L. Roberts – sister-in-law of Cheryl Roberts. Dana's son Brandon Roberts was killed in St. Paul, Minnesota last Sunday. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Petie Bartlett, - Kim Rodrigue's aunt. Aunt Petie's husband Charlie's funeral is tomorrow in Metairie.

**Our Homebound members and friends.
Please visit them and remember them in Prayer.**

Mary Knight; Mina Crais
Gloria Boling (Randy Boling's mom); Adrian (Tudy) Manson
Joyce Kleinfeldt (Henry Kleinfeldt's sister)
Prayers for the homeless



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