

First Presbyterian Church

5401 South Claiborne Avenue
New Orleans, La. 70125

July 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



The Fruit of The Spirit

Galatians 5:16-26

is love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness,
generosity,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
self-control.

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11:00 am

Writing in **bold** is for the congregation response.

*Please stand as you are able.

Please silence your phones during worship service.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 90)

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

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,**

Leader: From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

**People: You turn us back to dust and say,
“Turn back, you mortals.”**

Leader: For a thousand ages in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

**People: Turn, O Lord! How long?
Have compassion on your servants!**

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

**People: Make us glad as many days as your have afflicted us,
and as many years as we have seen evil.**

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 687 “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble. Let's come to God in prayer.

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

**Holy Lord, there is evil in this world, and there is good. There
is evil in us, and there is good. How can this be?**

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We want to do good, all the time. We don't set out to do evil. We may think we are doing good, but what we do sometimes hurts others. We struggle with our decisions. Sometimes things work out. Sometimes we realize afterward that we have really messed up. Help us, Lord, to listen for your voice as we make hard decisions. Forgive us when we hurt others. Give us the compassion to ask forgiveness of the ones we hurt, and give us courage to accept it if they say they don't forgive us. Help us to remember we are all your children.

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. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

HEARING THE WORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MOMENT "This Little light of mine"

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

SPECIAL MUSIC: Sydney McMath

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-14a (pg. 251)

Liturgist: The word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

New Testament Reading

Galatians 5:16-26 (pg. 946)

Preacher: The word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

SERMON

"The Fruit of the Spirit"

Rev. Kathleen Crighton

* HYMN 288 (*sing twice*) “Spirit of the Living God”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed
Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal pg. 35

SHARING THE WORD WITH THE WORLD

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Avery & Marsh

**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. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(...Now, please be with us as we conclude this time with the prayer, taught to us by
your son, saying...)

**ALL 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 he
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN 375 “Shall We Gather at the River”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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LEADERSHIP IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

PREACHING: Rev. Kathleen Crighton

LITURGIST: elder, Bruce Robertson

PIANISTS: Amanda Wadsworth and Sydney McMath

YOUTH MOMENT: elder, Bruce Robertson

OFFERING: elders, Henry and Diane Kleinfeldt

BELL RINGER: deacon, David Rabinowitz

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2024 PUMPKIN PATCH KICKOFF meeting
Sunday, August 4



After worship service, we will meet in the conference room. All are welcome to come and give your input and ideas to make this year's Pumpkin Patch another great success.
 Refreshments will be available.

The PUMPKINS arrival and unloading date:
Saturday, September 28 @ 9am

Come volunteer to help unload those beautiful orange pumpkins onto the field. The more individuals to help the faster we can unload. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, etc. to serve.
 Please contact Cheryl for more info. 504-866-7409

STAY TUNE FOR MORE TO COME:

Signup genius will be available soon for volunteers for weekday shifts and weekend shifts for selling. You will be able to choose your day/s and time/s to volunteer.

Thank you from The Pumpkin Patch Committee

FPCNO THIS WEEK

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| Monday | 9am-11am
7pm-9pm | Baby Music Class
"Carrollton" AA Group | Room 208
Fellowship Hall |
| Tuesday | 9am-11am
9am-11am
7pm-9pm | Program of Hope (setup)
Baby Music Class
"Big Easy" AA Group | Sanctuary
Room 208
Fellowship Hall |
| Wednesday | 9am-10:30am
11am-1pm
7pm-9pm | Program of Hope
Gurdjieff Foundation
Dancing Amigos | Sanctuary
Fellowship Hall
Fellowship Hall |
| Thursday | 7pm-9pm | MCC | Fellowship Hall |
| Saturday | 10am-3pm | Dancing Amigos | Fellowship Hall |
| Sunday | 9:45am -10:15am
10am-11am
11am-12pm | F.P.C Adult Bible Study
M.C.C Sunday Service
F.P.C Sunday Service | Conference Rm.
Fellowship Hall
Sanctuary |



Prayer List

Please pray for these
Individuals and their families.



PRAYERS FOR PEACE

The Horn family, Mike, Angela, Ethan, and Jack. They are in Houston right now where Ethan is getting care at TIRR Memorial Hermann Rehab Hospital.

Byron Cunningham, nephew of Cheryl Roberts and cousin of Chris Roberts.

Emily Ruppel, FPCNO member attending Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

RECOVERING

Marshal Fisher and his roommate Perry, both doing better.

John (Steve) Southern, recent thyroid gland surgery.

May Ball, in treatment for cancer.

Mary Frances Brashears, recent oral surgery.

George Cheatle; Linda Robertson; Tom Tatum; Sandra Sarr.

ILLNESS

Kit Hollis, friend of Peter Cho, has had a recurrence of blood cancer.

Wilma Lejeune, sister of Linda Robertson, dealing with cancer.

Sharon Fortin, longtime POH volunteer, health issues.

Wendy Grascchel, sister-in-law of Kristy Ruppel, had a stroke.

Mike Wadsworth, Amanda's dad, is scheduled to get a pacemaker.

Bob Sarradet, Canna's stepfather is having health issues.

Mahmoud Aslanbaigi, Marjan's father has had cancer surgery on his face.

Sandra Boling, sister of Randy Boling.

OUR HOMEBOUND FAMILY

Jennings Hutton, Sherri Hutton's dad.

Nancy Wadsworth, in a Nursing facility.

Adrian (Tudy) Manson, at her home.

Linda Donato' assisted living, Sherri Hutton's mom.

DEATHS

Donald Lejeune, brother-in-law of Linda Robertson

Eleanore Valek, mother of Dave Rabinowitz and Dani Tracey.

Martha Pearl Williamson, Lamar's mother and Amanda's mother-in-law.

Wallace Hoffman, father of Christie Hoffman Ruppel.

Frank Cardaronella, brother of Mary Frances Brashears.

James Bailey Henderson Jr., Cheryl's brother, and Chris's uncle.



WELCOME VISITORS!

We Are Glad You Are Here

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

- If you are a visitor or guest we invite you to sign the visitor/guest register which is located in the Narthex and/or 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.
- 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.
- During the time of the passing of the peace, some may be comfortable with hugs, laughs, and conversation, but others may not. Please be respectful of one another's comfort levels. If you would prefer to maintain a social distance, you may pass the peace by folding your arms, making a peace sign, or whatever is comfortable for you.
- **Great news!** We have resumed having coffee available in the narthex before, during, and after worship. Big thanks to our elder, Henry Kleinfeldt for preparing the coffee! We are also offering snacks. Feel free to donate your favorite kinds and leave them on the table beside the coffee fixings.
- We were the first "More Light" congregation in New Orleans and now are the first congregation to be a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians 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. If you wish, you may put cash or a check in the offering plate that will be passed towards the end of the service. If you would like to use a credit card or PayPal to make a secure donation to the Program of Hope or the Capital Campaign, you can go to the church's website, www.fpcno.org and click on the links on the right hand side of the home page.



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We don't have an official church newsletter, but you can find updates on our Facebook page (above) and website, www.fpcno.org.

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THE SESSION

CLERK OF SESSION

KEN ALLEN

ASSISTANT CLERK OF SESSION

BRUCE MATHER

CLASS OF 2023

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