



First Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)
Starkville, Mississippi
July 19, 2020
16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Order of Worship

Prelude *Come, Christians Join to Sing*

Welcome

Greeting (From Psalm 139)

One: Lord, You have searched me out;

All: O Lord, You have known me.

One: Where can I go then from Your Spirit?

All: Where can I flee from Your presence?

Opening Prayer (Book of Common Worship)

God of light and truth, You are beyond our grasp or conceiving. Before the brightness of Your presence the angels veil their faces, with humble spirits and adoring love we acclaim Your glory and sing Your praise, for You have shown us Your truth and love in Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

Hymn #611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.

Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.

Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.

Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Scripture Romans 8:12-25

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

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.

Sermon

“An Adoption Story”

Rev. Ron McDougald

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Postlude

Behold What Manner of Love

PRAYER LIST:

Here are the most recent additions ... Please be in prayer for Mark & Sharon Kuykendall (Susan's brother and sister in law), the Family of Steve Prather (Bryan's brother), Catherine Hedgpeeth (Methodist Minister's spouse). Please keep these and all those on the list below in your prayers.

Shari Brooks
John Colwick
Mary Espey
Kit McDonald

McKenna Bricker
Marianne Crowell
Audrey Gammill
Bettye Seepe

Vicki Buys
David & Margaret Earnest
Jetta Kuykendall
Johnny Taylor

We will be in constant prayer for those suffering with COVID 19, and those who care for them, those with addictions, homelessness, loneliness, hunger, mental illness, unemployment, prisoners and the poor.

If you would like to add a request or removal to our list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or nancybryson68@gmail.com) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)

ONLINE CHURCH. In response to the COVID-19 recommendations, all services have been moved online. All face-to-face church meetings (worship, social, choir, etc.) have been cancelled until further notice. **The next Stated Session Meeting will be on Wednesday, August 5, 2020.**

PIANIST. We would like to thank our pianist for the morning, Lynette McDougald.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. The Session of First Presbyterian Church PC(USA) of Starkville, MS, has called a Congregational Meeting on **Monday, July 20th at 5:30 p.m.** for the purpose of approving property purchase and incorporation. The meeting will be held by Zoom. Instructions on how to access Zoom will be distributed by mail, email and phone and those without Zoom are urged to join the meeting by phone.

Session

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