



First Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)
Starkville, Mississippi
September 6, 2020
14th Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

Prelude *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

Greeting (From Romans 13)

One: Owe no one anything, except to love one another

All: For the one who loves has fulfilled the law.

One: Love does no wrong to a neighbor;

All: Therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

One: Live into God's ways of love, justice and peace;

All: Let us worship Christ, who leads into light. Amen.

Hymn #472 *Kum ba Yah*

Kum ba yah, by Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, by Lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, by Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah! Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have fallen short. We have looked to the ways of the world, to selfish gain and worldly success, and have left behind our neighbors. We have turned our backs on the needs of others so that we can help ourselves get ahead first. Forgive us for looking only to our own interests instead of caring for those all around us. Help us to love our neighbor as ourselves, which You called us, as the church, to do. In the name of Christ, we pray ... (Silent confession may be offered...) Amen.

Scripture Matthew 18:15-20

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

“How Should We Live, Together?”

Rev. Ron McDougald

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Postlude

Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord

PRAYER LIST:

Here are the most recent additions: **Kimberly Bridges**, who watches FPCUSA, Starkville online Worship service each week in New Jersey, diagnosed with breast cancer this past week; **Family of Jaya Kumar**, who died on September 1st in Tamil, India. Jaya was the wife of Rev. Ghuna Kumar, pastor and director of Gospel Friends, supported by many congregations in the Starkville area; **John McWhorter** (Foot Surgery); **Josephine Zitta** (Vic's sister with dementia/physical decline); Teachers, Students and their families at all levels of education. Please keep these and all those on the list below in your prayers.

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)

Shari Brooks	Vicki Buys	Marianne Crowell
David & Margaret Earnest	Audrey Gammill	Charlotte Green
Mardi Hassan	Susan Scales Huffman	Jetta Kuykendall
Kaye & Courtney Lunsford	Tina McWhorter	Jeff O'Rourke
Family of Shirley Rosenkrans	Bettye Seepe	Sarah Shelley

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

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 Thursday, October 1, 2020.**

COMMUNION. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday, September 13th.

Session

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