



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, August 25, 2019

*Welcome in the name of the living God, in the name of the beloved Son,
Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Spirit who gives us life.
If you are a visitor, you are invited to sign our guest book.*

(** indicates standing, as you are able)

THE APPROACH

Organ Prelude

Entry of Choir and Minister

Welcome and Announcements

**Introit

****Please rise as the Bible enters #432 vs.1**

O Lord of heaven and earth and sea,
to thee all praise and glory be;
how shall we show our love to thee who givest all?

**Call to Worship

Hymn **#640 Softly and tenderly

Prayer of Approach

Kyrie (*Strathdee*): **#561** - Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have
mercy upon us.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Assurance

**Passing of the Peace

Hymn **#73 Praise to the Lord

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Reaffirmation of Faith 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 sits 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

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Responsive Psalm 71

¹ In you, LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

² **In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me.**

³ Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

⁴ **Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.**

⁵ For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD, my confidence since my youth.

⁶ **From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise you.**

⁷ I have become a sign to many; you are my strong refuge.

⁸ **My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long.**

⁹ Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

¹⁰ **For my enemies speak against me; those who wait to kill me**

conspire together.

¹¹ They say, “God has forsaken him; pursue him and seize him, for no one will rescue him.”

¹² **Do not be far from me, my God; come quickly, God, to help me.**

¹³ May my accusers perish in shame; may those who want to harm me be covered with scorn and disgrace.

¹⁴ **As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.**

¹⁵ My mouth will tell of your righteous deeds, of your saving acts all day long— though I know not how to relate them all.

¹⁶ **I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, Sovereign LORD; I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone.**

¹⁷ Since my youth, God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.

¹⁸ **Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.**

¹⁹ Your righteousness, God, reaches to the heavens, you who have done great things. Who is like you, God?

²⁰ **Though you have made me see troubles, many and bitter, you will restore my life again; from the depths of the earth you will again bring me up.**

²¹ You will increase my honor and comfort me once more.

²² **I will praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, my God; I will sing praise to you with the lyre, Holy One of Israel.**

²³ My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to you— I whom you have delivered.

²⁴ **My tongue will tell of your righteous acts all day long, for those who wanted to harm me have been put to shame and confusion.**

Epistle Lesson: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-15 pg. 508

Gospel Lesson: Luke 13: 10-17 pg. 797

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Solo You Raise Me Up *(Brendan Graham/Rolf Lovland)*

Sermon *All in God's Time*

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn **#682 Just as I am

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

The Offering

Offertory **#432 vs. 7

to thee from whom we all derive

our life, our gifts, our power to give?

Oh may we ever with thee live, who givest all.

**Prayer of dedication

** Hymn **#726** May the God of hope

**Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Forth **#766 Amen, amen, amen

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James St. Ushers: Ralph & Claire Foote

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Soloist: Shaun McLean

Refreshments: Russell MacIntosh family

TODAY-2:30 pm - Nursing Home Service at High Crest Home on Forbes St. All welcome to come and add their voice to the choir.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the final week that members of The Kirk will be worshipping with us. We welcome anyone who is visiting with us today. There are refreshments after the service in the upper hall (to your left).

We have received memorial donations for Helen MacLeod from Eric & Laurel MacDonald, Ellen Jardine and Sheila Dempster.

Postponed from an earlier date: **We welcome** Linda Fraser, who has transferred her membership from Trinity United and Michael Fraser by affirmation of faith.

An A.E.D. has been purchased for the church but will need installation and training on its use. Thanks to all for their support.

A donation for General Funds has been received from Janice Henderson, Bedford.



Open Choir Enrollment: NOW is the time to join us for a wonderful Fall/Winter/Spring season of singing! Rehearsals are held each Wednesday night from 7:00-9:00 pm and each Sunday morning 9:30-10:30 in the upper hall beginning Wednesday, September 4. Call the church office Tuesday-

Friday at 902-752-5691 to sign up **OR** just come out and give us a try!
We are growing together!

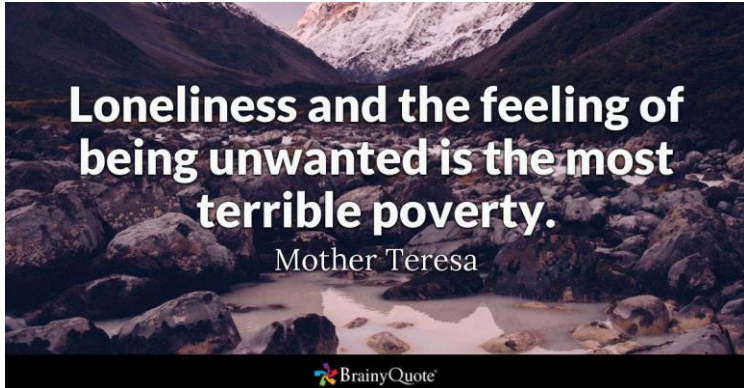
Looking for scripture readers starting in September. If you're interested in reading every few months or so, please contact the office.

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

Sept. 2 - **Catherine Mair AMS** meeting here at 2:00 pm. Please bring personal items for Viola's Place Homeless Shelter.

Sept. 10 - **Finance, Stewardship & Maintenance** Team meets at 6:30.

Sept 15 - **Anniversary** service with communion and St. Andrew's joining us to celebrate.



Mission Statement: *But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple. Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously.*

Micah 6: 8-The Message