



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DALTON, GEORGIA EST. 1847



Service for the Lord's Day

Sunday, June 9, 2024

How to Connect

- Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Dalton. We are glad you are here!
- Currently our church observes a “Masks Optional” policy throughout the church campus with the exception of the nursery staff and volunteers. Adult teachers, volunteers, and nursery staff, if they are unvaccinated, are asked to remain masked when involved in children’s Christian Education activities. Some may still opt to wear a mask even if they are vaccinated. Additionally, we have returned to observing The Peace, passing the offering plate, and joining hands to sing The Congregational Response (“God Be with You ‘Til We Meet Again”) in our traditional manner. Anyone uncomfortable with this approach is encouraged to refrain from participation in any or all of these aspects with full knowledge that our congregation is respectful and recognizes that our members have different needs and comfort levels. Please check any of the following for updates and possible changes in our COVID protocol:

First Presbyterian Church, Dalton Communication Channels:

- “First Presbyterian Church Dalton” - Our church’s public Facebook page.
 - “FPC Dalton Connect” - Our private Facebook page for church members and staff
 - “Midweek News” - Our newsletter sent online to most members unless a paper copy is requested by calling 706-278-8161.
 - Your E-Mail
 - Your personal mailbox
- Find the most current contact information on our members in the church directory. It can be found on our website (www.firstpresdalton.org) under the fellowship tab. Please email the church office for the directory password.
 - Regular team meetings will be held at the discretion of team chairs in-person and/or through video-conference. Scheduling will take place through direct communication and will be posted to the newsletter.

WI-FI



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church. There are two options available: First Pres Guest 2.4 and First Pres Guest 5. Although these will connect to the same network, 2.4 has more strength while 5 has more range. The location of the device will influence which one will automatically connect. The password for the guest network is **johncalvin**

Announcements

- Immediately following Worship today, please join us for the **Second Sunday Fellowship Lunch** in Hollis Hall. We will also be honoring Jean Strain, our retiring Director of Christian Education. Everyone please come and thank Jean for her many years of service to our church, presbytery and denomination!
- The Mission Team has purchased seats for the Dalton Whitfield NAACP **Juneteenth Celebration & Gala** on Saturday, June 15 @ 5:00 p.m. If you’d like to reserve your seat, please email the church office. There are 4 seats left.
- Week 1 of **Camp AIM** was a success but we still need help for week 2, starting tomorrow June 10-14. Please sign up to help by contacting the church office or Roger Rollins at rrollins255@gmail.com. See the Midweek News for more details.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

THE GREETING

At the sound of the bells, please prepare your heart and mind for Worship.

INTROIT

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

J. Berthier
(1923-1994)

Veni Sancte Spiritus, tui amoris ignem accende.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, Veni Sancte Spiritus

Holy Spirit, come to us; kindle in us the fire of your love.

Holy Spirit, come to us. Holy Spirit, come to us.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Kathryn Sellers

And the Lord said, "Where are you?"

We are here Lord, waiting to hear Your voice.

And the Lord said, "Why are you ashamed?"

It's a long story, Lord.

And the Lord said, "I've got time. Come on up here, sit in my lap, and tell me all about it."

And so we shall as we worship God.

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

We are here, o Lord, seeking for things which are not seen; listening for things which are not heard; feeling for things which cannot be felt. Broaden, we pray, the senses of our spirits that we may perceive Your presence in this very moment of eternity.

*HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(A time of silent prayer and meditation.)

Somewhere along the path, dear Lord, we took a wrong turn. Relying upon ourselves and our own wisdom, we eventually found ourselves upon a dark and frightening road. Shadows and terrors lurked on the shoulders and strained voices called from the wilderness. Save us, we pray, restore our sanity and set us afresh upon the path of light, grace and love which leads us always home. Amen.

Cover Art:

Anglo-Catalan Psalter or The Great Canterbury Psalter, folio 1 recto: Genesis, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55259> [retrieved June 4, 2024]. Original source: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Saltiri_anglo-catal%C3%A0_f1r.jpg.

Hymn 12 Note:

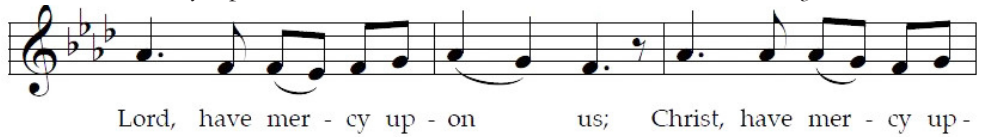
The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

*Where you see this notation, please rise in body or in spirit.

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Kyrie Eleison



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

S Selwidge Street



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me!

William B. Bradbury

**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.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 3: 8-15

NRSVUE

⁸ They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."

¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you

gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.”¹³ Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.”¹⁴ The Lord God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

SCRIPTURE LESSON

II Corinthians 4:13-5:1

NRSV

^{4:13}But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture — “I believed, and so I spoke” — we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Prayer of St. Francis

A. Pote
(b. 1945)

Amanda Karge, solo

*Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord.
Where there is doubt, let there be faith.*

*Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there's despair, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let there be light,
Where there is sadness, let there be joy.*

*O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love.*

*Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
And it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

*Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Amen.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 3: 20-35

NRSV

²⁰... and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — ³⁰for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” ³³And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Where Are You?”

Rev. Dr. Ken McKenzie

*HYMN 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

Hymn 14 Note:

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“Apostles’ 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in 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 the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

www.firstpresdalton.org/giving/

THE OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 31

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

Monkland

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Traditional

**God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

*POSTLUDE

Offering Note:

Copy and paste the link under the Offering onto your browser to easily submit your online offering.

Hymn 31 Note:

These few stanzas are among the least florid of the two dozen that make up the rather flamboyant paraphrase of Psalm 136 written by the 15-year-old who would become one of the greatest English poets. It is set here to a sprightly tune with Moravian connections.



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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

WORSHIP

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Flowers
6/9	Carol Houston	Mike & Priscilla Brown	Margaret Venable
6/16	Priscilla Brown	TBD	Sarah McCown

MONTHLY

Communion (July 7)		Congregational Care		Little Free Pantry Pal	
Prep	Annelle Scott	June	Becky Jolly	June	Valerie George
Servers	Rev. Nicole Jiskoot, Jean Lowrey, Larry Cooper and Tate O'Gwin	July	Bobbie Anderson	July	Beverly Higdon

PRAYERS

For Healing and Comfort for our Members:

Charles Allgood, as he battles lung cancer;

Ongoing Concerns for our Members:

Nancy Rhine, in assisted living located near her daughter;

Stan Crawford, multiple health challenges including spinal stenosis;

Friends of First Presbyterian, Dalton

Kenyon Tribble, friend of Sue Spivey and Kathy Bridges as he recovers from a broken vertebrae;

Margaret Spivey, sister-in-law and aunt to Sue Spivey and Kathy Bridges, as she battles Breast Carcinoma;

John Hinkle, who is undergoing treatment for bladder cancer;

The peace of Israel and Palestine and the well-being of Ukraine;

The families of victims of substance abuse;

Kathy Householder, friend of Debbie and Mary Dennard, who is undergoing treatment after surgery for breast cancer diagnosis;

Arden Brown, son of Amanda and Chris Brown, as they seek a cure for DMD;

Caregivers and aging parents.

Praises and Continuing Prayers!

Our incoming pastor *Nicole and her family*, as we plan together their move to FPC;

Becky Hansberry, daughter of Kaye Clark, who has moved to Atlanta, and is continuing her cancer treatment at Emory.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 9

Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship

10:00 a.m.

Worship

FPC Sanctuary (& Facebook livestream)

10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday

Fellowship Lunch

11:30 a.m.

June 10-14

Camp AIM - Week 2

Monday, June 10

Soup & Scripture
noon

Tuesday, June 11

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12

Choir Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 13

Knitting Group

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 16

Adult Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship

10:00 a.m.

Worship - Father's Day

FPC Sanctuary (& Facebook livestream)

10:30 a.m.

Session Meeting

11:20 a.m.

Monday, June 17

Soup & Scripture
noon

Tuesday, June 18

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 19

Church Office Closed

Choir Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 20

Presbyterians at the Pub

5:00 p.m.

Knitting Group

5:30-7:30 p.m.

COVER ART NOTE:

“This manuscript was illustrated in two different periods: Canterbury, c. 1200: 184 pages. This first section follows the iconographic cycle of the Utrecht Psalter. It opens with what Leroquais called the Psalter prologue, consisting of 8 extraordinary, full-page miniatures, and continues with 52 fascinating miniatures measuring approximately 15 x 32 cm (width of the page) at the beginning of each Psalm. Most pages feature decorated initials. Catalonia, c. 1340: from page 185 onwards we find 46 miniatures the width of the page and 15 to 25 cm high, surrounded by bright colours and divided into two or three bands each divided into two or three compartments. The few consisting of a single section appear on pages 328 and 340. The miniatures on pages 144, 146, 160, 162, 164 and 172 are also by Ferrer Bassa, although these are of a rather different style and may have been painted by the Catalan artist upon a sketch that the English artist left unfinished (judging by the composition, the iconography based on the Utrecht Psalter, and the stylistic and technical factors including drapes and the constant use of a royal blue that subsequently disappeared... the decorated letters on these folios are all by the English miniaturist). The folios from 185 onwards are characterised by the great iconographic freedom of the typological interpretation of both the Psalms and the New Testament prophecies.” [from M. Moleiro, rare book reproductions]