

First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro

October 14, 2018, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Music Director: Jean Gómez Elder of the Month: James Graham
Pastor Rev. Meg Jackson Clark

**Please stand if you are able.*

*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INTROIT Hymn #701

Lord, Prepare Me

Jean Gómez
James Graham
Congregation

*CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever and our confidence alone.

To this temple where we call you, come O Lord of hosts, and stay.

Come, with all your loving kindness; hear your people as we pray,

And your fullest benediction shed within these walls today.

(Let us pray.)

*HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation

Congregation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty Lord,

No one can lay any foundation other than the one that you have laid: Jesus Christ.

We admit that we have not always been able to build on this foundation

in such a way that we become a better dwelling place for God.

We have sometimes even built in ways that have caused harm to ourselves and others.

Forgive us Lord, and give us a fresh chance to build on the foundation laid for us.

Create in us a longing for the mission and ministry of your church

and enable us to build up the body of Christ together.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

* PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"The peace of Christ be with you."

"And also with you."

* GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Bob Wheeler

First Reading

Psalm 62:5-12

Pew Bible Page 528

Anthem

There is a Longing

Choir

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Pew Bible Page 167

Sermon

Building on the Foundation

Rev. Meg Jackson Clark

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

p. 35 Hymnal

*HYMN #275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Congregation

OFFERING

Invitation to Give

OFFERTORY

Jean Gómez

*DOXOLOGY, Hymn #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Eternal God,

We thank you for calling us by name. In you we live and move and grow.

We pray for churches and Christians throughout the world.

Remind us of our common foundation in Christ.

May we grow together in faith and in love, until we attain that unity which is your will.

Build us together in Christ; Make us your dwelling place.

Send down your Spirit so that we may know Jesus and bear witness to our life and unity in him.

May we know the mind of Christ in order to speak God's wisdom everywhere.

Strengthen us to work towards peace and reconciliation in church and society.

Build us together in Christ; Make us your dwelling place.

We pray for those who have no home, no land, no food, no work, no medicine, no peace.

May we recognize and serve Christ in the suffering and the needy.

Build us together in Christ; Make us your dwelling place.

We thank you for all your gifts of creation.

Teach us to share with others our time, our energy, our resources and our love.

Make us sensitive and responsive to the wounds in the human family and creation.

May we be faithful to our calling and give our whole life to Christ,

for we belong to him and in him are united all things on earth and in heaven.

(A moment of silence while we each call to mind the names of those for whom we pray.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal Page #35

*HYMN #353, vss. 1 & 2

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Congregation

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

And all God's children said: **Alleluia! Amen!**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #353, vs. 3

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME! If you are visiting today, we extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Please fill out a visitor's card so that we can welcome you personally. To learn more about us, please check our website at fpog.org.

➤ Large print hymnals and audio devices are available at the rear of the church.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS:

No doubt you are familiar with the story called the Prodigal Son, told by Jesus, in the Gospel of Luke. You may have thought that the story is about a son who grieves his father by asking for his inheritance and leaving home, but finally repents, returns and is welcomed with love by his father. Join us next week, October 21, for a lesson that might surprise you as we look at "The Story of Two Sons and the Prodigal God" with Dr. Tim Keller. 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall. No homework. No stress.

IMAGE-THE PRODIGAL SON BY REMBRANDT



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP! On Sunday, October 21st, we will have a sandwich and homemade ice cream meal after church in the fellowship hall. An old-fashioned hymn-sing will follow! A sign-up sheet will be on the table in the narthex for foods that we need. We hope you can all be there.



Please Pray For:

Bill Corry	Bruce Porter (Friend of the Usherwoods)	Nancy & Tom Tait
Bob Wheeler	Jeannie Wheeler	Tyler Fay(Nancy Tait's nephew)

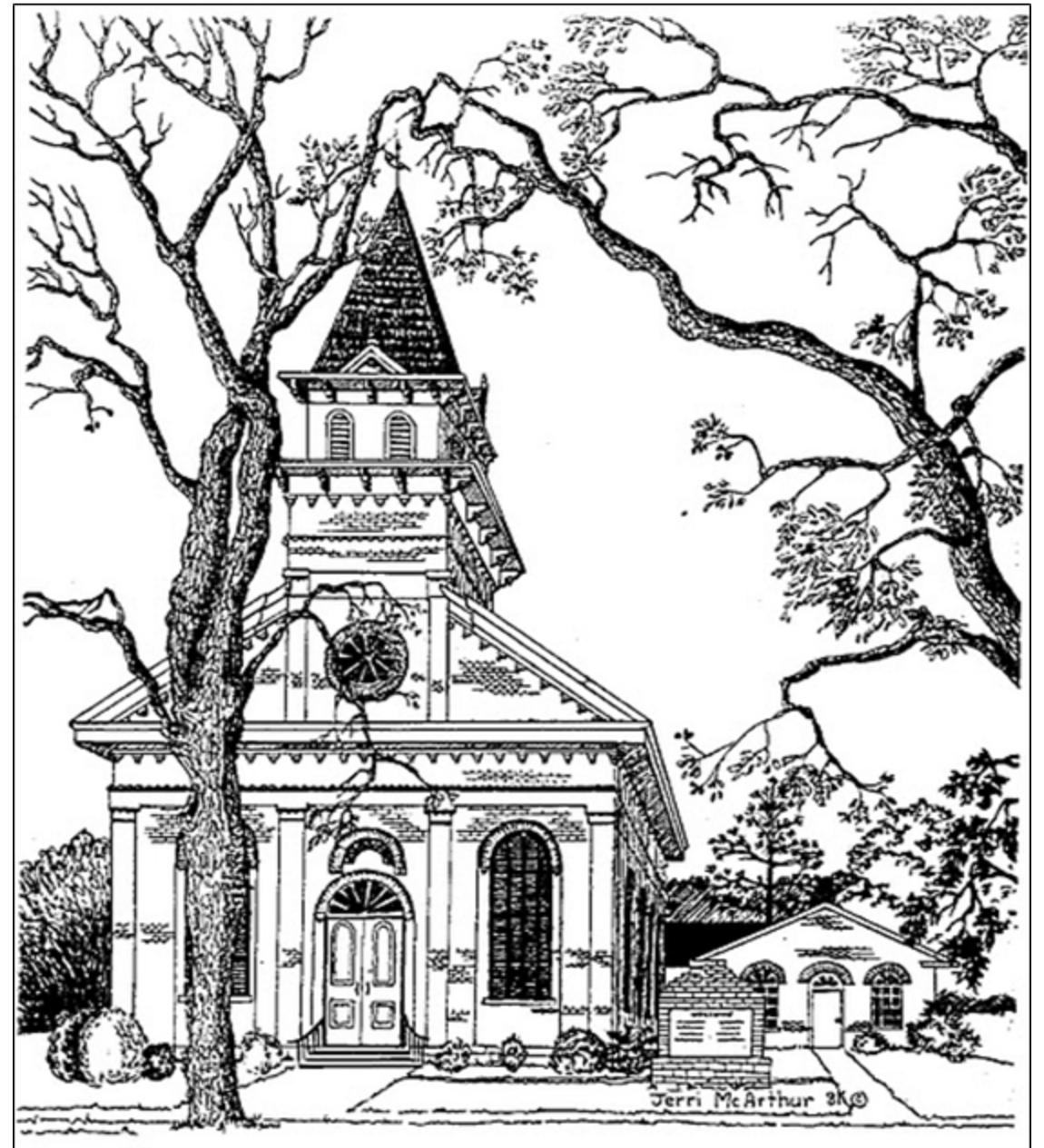
Continue Praying For:

Chris Penna	Dylan Webb	Officer Nominating Committee
David Blough	Ed Lewis	Richard Burton, USA, deployed
Chan White	Johnnie Satterfield	Veterans & Military Members

Please note: in order to keep our prayer list up-to-date, we will be starting "fresh" each month. Please let Meg or Marie know if there is someone you would like to have remain on the prayer list.

Let us remember our family members: As we continue our intentional prayer for members of the church, let us pray for:

Peter & Shannon Candler and Bob & Charles Michael Webb



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