



First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro

July 5, 2020 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Music Director: Dr. Jean Gómez; Elder Assisting: Hap Tietjen

Pastor: Rev. Meg Jackson Clark

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hap Tietjen

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God our Father who creates us.

Let us worship Jesus Christ, our Savior, who blesses us.

Let us worship the Holy Spirit, our Comforter, who consoles us.

To the one true God be praise in all times and places! Amen!

SUNG RESPONSE

Bless the Lord My Soul

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our Father, for whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, draw near to us that we may truly draw near to one another, acknowledging our common humanity, confessing our sins to one another and to you, who alone can keep us in the unity of the Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Hear the good news: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

In Jesus Christ, God accompanies and forgives us.

Thanks be to God!

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Hap Tietjen

Scripture

Jeremiah 31:7-17

Musical Interlude

God Weeps With Those Who Weep

Scripture

Luke 6:21; Matthew 5:1-4

Sermon

"Blessed Mourners"

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Invitation & Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Elements

After partaking of the Bread, you are invited to join in singing "Let Us Break Bread Together".

After partaking of the Cup, you are invited to join in singing "Jesus, Remember Me".

Prayer after Communion

OFFERING

You are invited to offer yourself and your resources in gratitude to God.

(You may mail in your monetary contributions to First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 26, Greensboro, GA 30642.)

DOXOLOGY

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

PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION

God of all people,

We give you thanks for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above fruited plains. God, shed your grace on our nation, and lead us to serve one another as brothers and sisters.

We give you thanks for heroes who sacrificed to serve their country, loving mercy more than life.

God, mend America's every flaw. Teach us to live selflessly so all can experience liberty.

We pray for a future undimmed by human tears, and for good to come from our present mourning.

God, grant us your success, and lead us to your divine vision. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUNG BLESSING

Blest Are They

Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled. Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

BENEDICTION

May our Lord Jesus Christ, and God who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

And may the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Alleluia! Amen!

Coming Up:

Sunday July 12, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School meets via Zoom for a study of the Beatitudes. All our welcome to join.

Tuesday, July 14, 5:15 p.m. Session will meet to evaluate our reopening plan and date.

Saturday, July 18, 5 - 6 p.m. Game Night via Zoom. Details to come.

Worship Plans: At our June meeting, Session set **July 19** as our tentative date to begin in-person worship. Online worship will also continue. Guidelines will be sent via email, and posted on our website. Plans are subject to change.

Continue Praying For:

Bill Corry

Bill and Verley Dotson

Brooke Manning-Hinds

Bruce Porter

Chris Penna

Chuck Thorp

David Blough

Eddie Slocumb

Franklin Latimer Roberts

Harrison Marcus

Johnnie Satterfield

Kenneth Pressley

Lori Howerton

Marcus Pinson

Marie Boswell

Marie Kent

Mike Webb

The Oliver Family

Peter Bouharoun

Randy Quintrell

Sam Marshall

Susie Pressley

Nation & World Leaders

Veterans & Military Members

Let us remember our church members and friends: As we offer intentional prayer, let us pray for:

Barbara & Bill Allen