

First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro

August 9, 2020 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Church Musician: Tsai-Wei Li; Elder Assisting: Judy Ray Pastor: Rev. Meg Jackson Clark

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judy Ray

CALL TO WORSHIP

You, Lord, are in this place. Your presence fills it. Your presence is peace.

You, Lord, are in our hearts. Your presence fills them. Your presence is peace.

You, Lord, are in our minds. Your presence fills them. Your presence is peace.

You, Lord, are in our lives. Your presence fills us. Your presence is peace.

Lord, help us to know that we dwell in you, and you dwell in us today and always.

Let us worship the Prince of Peace!

SUNG RESPONSE

I've Got Peace sike a River

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, in my soul, I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

O Lord, you love justice and you establish peace on earth.

We bring before you the disunity of today's world;

the absurd violence and the many wars, which are breaking the courage of the peoples of the world;

human greed and injustice, which breed hatred and strife.

Send your Spirit and renew the face of the earth;

teach us to be compassionate towards the whole human family;

strengthen the will of all those who fight for justice and for peace,

and give us that peace which the world cannot give.

Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination Judy Ray

Scriptures Micah 4:1-4

Anthem Down By the Riverside Steven Brown & Meg Jackson Clark

Scripture Matthew 5:1-7

Sermon "Blessed Peacemakers"

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 OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, we lift up to you now all who are in need of your peace, love and healing this day... Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that we may not seek so much to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

In Jesus' name we pray, using the prayer he taught us saying...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUNG BLESSING

Blest Are They

Blest are they, who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they, who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Alleluia! Amen!

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection, we give thanks for the life and witness of Bill Dotson, who died on August 5, 2020. Bill's smile and enthusiastic spirit will be greatly missed by our congregation.

Coming Up:

Worship and other activities continue online only. Session will re-evaluate at our August 18 meeting. **Sunday School** each week at **9:30 a.m.** on Zoom. All invited!

Continue Praying For:

Ann Corry Franklin Latimer Roberts Mike Webb

Bill Corry Harrison Marcus Family of Randy Quintrell

Family of Bill Dotson Johnnie Satterfield Richard Aiken Brooke Manning-Hinds Kenneth Pressley Sam Marshall

Bruce Porter Lori Howerton Sonia & Marguerite Grimes

Chris PennaMarcus PinsonSusie PressleyChuck ThorpMarie BoswellTristan Epps

David Blough Marie Kent Rainey Nation & World Leaders

Deanna & Jesse Blount Martha Burgamy Veterans & Military Members

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

Bill Brown