



# First Presbyterian Church

Pooler, Georgia

*A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)*

**April 16, 2017**

## **Today's Schedule**

Prayer Meeting	8:30 am ~ 9:00 am
Morning Worship	9:30 am ~10:30 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am ~12:00 pm

## **Welcome**

*We are so glad you have come to worship our great God with us today! We pray that God will use this worship service to increase your knowledge of, faith in, and love for Jesus Christ. If you are a visitor, you can learn more about our church by reading the back page of this bulletin. We do encourage children to be in and participate in our worship service, but we do have three nurseries available for them if needed. There is also a nursing mother's room in the women's restroom. If we can help you in any way, please feel free to speak with one of the ushers or pastors.*

# Lord's Day Morning Worship

## Welcome and Announcements

### Silent Prayer of Preparation

*O great Savior of sinners, Your name is excellent, your compassions are unfailing, your mercy is tender. Thank you for the invitation to draw near to you this day. May our hearts and minds, our will and our affections be transformed by the gospel promise of Jesus Christ crucified and raised to life for our justification and sanctification. Amen.*

### Call to Worship

**1 Pet. 1:3; Rev. 5:13**

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**All: To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever.**

Leader: He is risen!

**All: He is risen indeed!**

### †Hymn of Praise

### **“Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!”**

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How can it be the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice  
To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing “Hallelujah!”

For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ’s disciples lift their eyes  
Alive He stands, their friend and King Christ, Christ He is risen!

*Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh, sing “Hallelujah!”*  
*Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed “Christ is risen, He’s risen indeed!”*

Where doubt and darkness once had been they saw Him and their hearts believed  
But blessed are those who have not seen yet, sing “Hallelujah”

Once bound by fear, now bold in faith they preached the truth and pow’r of grace  
And pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting  
(Chorus x2)

### † Invocation

### Scripture Memory for April

**1 Corinthians 15:20-23**

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

### Scripture Reading

**Matthew 28:1-10**

### Confession of Faith

**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty; the Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
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 Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn of Confession

## “The Power of the Cross”

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Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

*Chorus:*

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;  
Took the blame, bore the wrath— We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow. (*chorus*)

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry. (*chorus*)

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

*Final Chorus:*

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.*

## Returning God's Tithes and Offerings

## 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

*“Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you.”*

*Children's Church: 4 Year Olds are now released to Children's Church located in the Pre-K/Kindergarten Room.*

## Offertory

## 9:30am: “It is Finished”

Words by Thomas Kelly 1769-1855; music by Clint Wells and Brian T. Murphy, 2004; ©2005 Red Mountain Music.

"It is finished!" Sinners hear it; tis the dying Victor's cry;  
"It is finished!" Angels bear it, bear the joyful truth on high:  
"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!  
"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

Justice, from her awful station, bars the sinner's peace no more;  
Justice views with approbation what the Savior did and bore;  
Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.  
Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.

"It is finished!" All is over; yes, the cup of wrath is drained;  
Such the truth these words discover; thus the victory was obtained;  
'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.  
'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.

Crown the mighty Conqueror, crown him, who his people's foes o'ercame!  
In the highest heaven enthrone him! Men and angels sound his fame!  
Great his glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.  
Great his glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.

**11:00am: The First Korean Community Presbyterian Church Choir**

**"He Lives Again"**

LITERAL TRANSLATION FROM KOREAN

H. Von Berge

Jesus is risen Hallelujah hallelujah He is risen from the dead hallelujah  
The darkness is gone the Lord defeated and gave us the eternal life hallelujah  
The large stone to the tomb was open. We saw the mighty power  
Let the people in the world bring glory to him.  
Blow the trumpet of the victory! The Lord is risen!  
The death has withdrawn. Sing a song of victory!  
Jesus is risen hallelujah hallelujah! He is risen from the dead- hallelujah!  
Defeated the death and rose again. The Lord will reign hallelujah hallelujah!

**†Doxology**

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. Amen!

**† Offertory Prayer**

**9:30am: Randy Grovenstein, Elder**  
**11:00am: Clay Harden, Elder**

**Sermon**

**"Sorrow Turned to Joy"**

**John 16:16-22**

Rev. John Fender

**†Closing Hymn**

**"In Christ Alone"**

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1. In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace when fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All here in the love of Christ I stand
2. In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live
3. There in the ground His body lay light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ
4. No guilt in life no fear in death this is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home here in the power of Christ I'll stand

**† Benediction**

**2 Corinthians 13:14**

*"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."*

**Sermon Notes**  
**“Sorrow Turned to Joy”**  
**John 16:16-22**

Jesus says, [16] “A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” [17] So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” [18] So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” [19] Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? [20] Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. [21] When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. [22] So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

**Four Categories of a Biblical Worldview:**

1. Creation: God made all things good- \_\_\_\_\_ experience joy.
2. Fall- All things are tainted by sin- joy is often \_\_\_\_\_
3. Redemption: Jesus is making all things new by His redemptive work- There is both sorrow and joy, but a growing \_\_\_\_\_ for the future.
4. Consummation: Jesus will return and complete that work and once again we will experience \_\_\_\_\_, but this time irrevocable joy!

**Promise: Sorrow turned into joy!**

**Sorrow**

1. Christians are \_\_\_\_\_ from it
2. It is not \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. It \_\_\_\_\_ joy

**Joy**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Fulfillment of this promise:**

**Short term: Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Long term: Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_**

## Small Groups

**Calvin:** *For adults and families with young children:* Meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays at the church.

Meets **April 17, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 6:45-7:45pm. Study on Romans led by Michael Brown.

**Knox:** *For adults and families with school aged children:* Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at the church.

Meets **April 19, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 6:45-7:45pm. Study on Romans led by Michael Brown.

**Westminster:** *For adults and families with youth group age children:* Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at the church.

Meets **April 19, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 6:45-8:00pm. Study on *The Treasure Principal* led by Clay Harden.

**Youth Group:** *For students in grades 6-12.* Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at the church.

Meets **April 19, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 6:30-8:00pm. Study on the book of Romans led by Aaron Francis.

**Women's Morning Study:** Thursday morning meets **April 20, 2017** at the church from 11:00am-1:00pm for their closing luncheon.

Childcare is provided. Led by Cindy Doud and Jill Warfield.

**Women's Evening Study:** Thursday evening meets **April 20, 2017** at Panera Bread from

6:30pm – 8:30 pm for their closing dinner. There is no childcare. Led by Maggie Banks and Leslie Fender.

**Augustine:** *Young adults:* Meets the 2nd and 4th Monday's at the Cope's home.

Meets **April 24, 2017** with dinner at 6:30pm and study from 7:15-8:15pm. Study on *Living a Godly Life* led by Kevin Eck.

**Rincon:** *For adults of all ages along with a class for youth.* Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Larson's home in Rincon.

Meets **April 26, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 7:00-8:00pm. Study on Romans led by Michael Brown.

**Covenanter:** *For those who have children out of the house, retired or entering retirement.* Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the church.

Meets **April 26, 2017** with dinner at 6:30pm and study from 7:00-8:30pm. Study on *Kingdom Parables* led by Bill Gleason and Bob Sharp.

**Men's Study:** Meeting the 2nd and 4th Fridays at Western Sizzlin. Meets **April 28, 2017** from 7:00-7:45am. Study on Philippians, Led by John Fender.

## Worship Volunteers

*If you would like to serve in one of these ways, please e-mail Melissa Miles at [melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com)*

*Adult nursery workers serve during both the Sunday School hour and the Worship hour.*

### Serving Easter Service (4/16)

**9:30**

**Nursery Captain**

Elizabeth Brown

**Infant**

S.Foley, M. King,

K. Daniels

**Movers**

E. Kornegay, F. Eck

**Toddlers**

M. Christopher, C. Pommerenck

L.&S. Underwood,

**Ushers**

S. Mack, J. Twibell,

J. Terry, T. Cope (DOD)

**Sound**

Ryan Brown

**No Evening Service**

**11:00**

**Nursery Captain**

Charity Miles

**Infants**

M. Grovenstein, M. Miles

**Movers**

M. Terry, K. Hayes

**Toddlers**

J. Warfield,

L.&A&S.Lawrence

**Ushers**

M. Foley, J. Jones

T. Miles, J. Hardison

B. Sharp (DOD)

**Sound**

Kevin Eck

### Serving This Week (4/23)

**Nursery Captain**

Melissa Miles

**Infants**

Lacy Hicks, Faith Miles

**Movers**

Scott Terry, Rebecca Stanton

**Toddlers**

Leah & Suzanne Underwood,

YoungJu & Dohwan Kim

**Ushers**

Zach Baranowski, David Saler,

Anders Martin, David Baranowski,

Stephen Mullis (Deacon on Duty)

**Sound**

Ken Hayes

**Evening**

Tina Glover, Shirley Foley

## Announcements for April 16th

<b>Today:</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Prayer Meeting</b>
	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>

### THIS WEEK:

We are looking for 4 people who are willing to help in the nursery once every 6 weeks. Please contact Melissa Miles if you are available to serve at [melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com).

**MOPS** (Mothers of Preschool Children) will meet Wednesday, **April 19th** from 9:30 -11:30 a.m. at the church. Childcare is available. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Carlie Martin at [carliebmartin@gmail.com](mailto:carliebmartin@gmail.com) or Jennifer Mullis at [jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com)

**YOUTH EVENT:** You don't want to miss our Scavenger Hunt, Saturday, **April 22!** We will meet at the church at 10:00 am and return to the church at 1:00 pm. Bring \$5 for lunch.

### COMING SOON:

**MOPS** (Mothers of Preschool Children) Play date at Hunter Cattle Company: Wednesday, **April 26th** at 10am. This playdate will include a farm tour, hay ride, educational talk, and we will plan to eat a picnic lunch. The cost is \$7 per person. You do not have to be a member of MOPS to attend. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to either Carlie Martin at [carliebmartin@gmail.com](mailto:carliebmartin@gmail.com) or Jennifer Mullis at [jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com)

### **Save the Date: Discipleship Emphasis Weekend**

Christ Jesus has called us to make disciples. Therefore, we take one weekend a year to think carefully about that calling He has placed upon every Christian. Makes plans to join us on the weekend of **May 5-7**. Look for details soon!

FPCP will have a co-ed **church softball team** again this summer in a church softball league. Practices will begin in **May**. If you are interested in playing please contact Jeff Wilhelm at [jeffwilhelm13@gmail.com](mailto:jeffwilhelm13@gmail.com).

**Vacation Bible School June 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> VBS Applications are now being accepted!** You can apply online through our website: [fpcpooler.org/vbs](http://fpcpooler.org/vbs) Make plans now to join us for VBS! If you are interested in helping this year, please email Melissa Miles at [melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com).

### Update on New Sanctuary

We are excited to report that the contract to build our new sanctuary (to occupy the current warehouse space) and to renovate our current sanctuary to include a social hall and three new classrooms has been awarded.

The expected timeline of events is as follows:

Construction starts April 24

Phase 1 Complete: Move into new sanctuary in late July

Phase 2 Complete: Classrooms, Social Hall and new kitchen completed mid-August.

You can see a basic drawing of both phases out in the foyer.

# First Presbyterian Church of Pooler

## **Our Purpose:**

We seek to glorify God by holding out the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community, our country and our world to impact others to do the same.

## **Our Key Theological Commitments:**

- The Bible is the inspired, inerrant, infallible Word of God.
- Salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in Jesus alone.
- The Church is God's ordained means of gathering and perfecting believers.
- The Church is to rely upon the ordinary means of grace (the Word, Sacraments, and Prayer) for the building of the kingdom.
- The Westminster Confession of Faith (including the Larger and Shorter Catechism) is the most accurate understanding of what the Scriptures principally teach.

## **Our Key Areas of Ministry:**

- **Worship:** Giving glory to God with reverence and joy, according to the council of God's Word.
- **Evangelism:** Offering the hope of the gospel locally, nationally, and globally.
- **Discipleship:** Producing mature believers in Christ
- **Fellowship:** Experiencing the blessing of the communion of the saints.
- **Mercy:** Manifesting the love of God in deed.

## **Our Leadership:**

- **Teaching Elder:** Rev. John Fender, Senior Pastor ([john@firstprespooler.com](mailto:john@firstprespooler.com))
- **Ruling Elders:** Randy Grovenstein, Kelly Larson, Nate Warfield, and Clay Harden
- **Deacons:** Ryan Brown, Travis Cope, Kevin Eck, Ken Hayes, Paul Hill, Caleb Johnson, David Brodmann, Stephen Mullis, and Bob Sharp
- **Director of Discipleship Ministries:** Michael Brown ([michael@firstprespooler.com](mailto:michael@firstprespooler.com))
- **Director of Youth Ministries:** Aaron Francis ([afrancis777@gmail.com](mailto:afrancis777@gmail.com))
- **Nursery Coordinator:** Melissa Miles ([melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com))
- **Event Coordinator:** Melissa Miles ([melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com))
- **Administrative Assistant:** Crystal Twibell ([crystal@firstprespooler.com](mailto:crystal@firstprespooler.com))
- **Director of Korean Ministries:** Rev. Cheol Kim ([kchjdm@gmail.com](mailto:kchjdm@gmail.com))

## **Our Denomination:**

The Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

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