



First Presbyterian Church

Pooler, Georgia

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

May 7, 2017

Today's Schedule

Prayer Meeting	9:15 am ~ 9:45 am
Sunday School	10:00 am ~ 10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am ~ 12:00 pm
Evening Dinner & Discipleship	5:30 pm ~ 7:30 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

Merciful Father, We confess that our hearts are so often on this life: its worries and responsibilities; its hopes and dreams. Father, would you this day, open our eyes to the hope of a life spent with you, both now and in eternity. Remind us again of the truth that you will return in glory, and help us by faith to look forward to that city whose designer and builder is God. Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 130:1-4

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

† Hymn of Praise

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

1. Come, Christians, join to sing alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend; His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!
3. Praise yet our Christ again, alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain; alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore, singing forevermore, “Alleluia! Amen!”

† Invocation

Memory Verse for May

Hebrews 12:1-2

[1] Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, [2] looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Corporate Reading of the Law of God

Ex. 20:3-17; Matt. 22:37-40

You shall have no other gods before me.
You shall not make for yourself a carved image.
You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how he said, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Hymn of Confession

“Be Thou my Vision”

1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, high king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
4. High king of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Returning God's Tithes and Offerings

Acts 20:35b

“Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

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

Offertory

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Words by Henry Lyte, music by Christopher Miner© 1997 Christopher Miner Music.

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King. Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him, Praise the everlasting King.
2. Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress.
Praise Him still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness. Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him, glorious in His faithfulness.
3. Frail as summers flower we flourish blows the wind and it is gone
But while mortals rise and perish God endures unchanging on
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the high eternal One praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him, praise the high eternal One
4. Fatherlike He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He Knows.
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy goes. Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him, widely as His mercy goes.

† 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

Kevin Eck, Deacon

Sermon

Matthew 28:16-20

“The Christian is a Disciple Maker”

Rev. John Fender

Hymn of Preparation

“Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted”

1. Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's Son, yet David's Lord;
Proofs I see sufficient of it: 'Tis the true and faithful Word.
2. Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning, was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning, foes insulting His distress;
Many hands were raised to wound Him, none would interpose to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him was the stroke that Justice gave.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is proclaimed, and those who receive rightly are by faith (and not by the mouth in a physical manner) made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

† Hymn of Response

“Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted”

3. Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great
Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load;
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.
4. Here we have a firm foundation; here the refuge of the lost;
Christ, the Rock of our salvation, His the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded Who on Him their hope have built.

† 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

Matthew 28:16-20

“The Christian is a Disciple Maker”

“[16] Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. [17] And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. [18] And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. [19] Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The Commission: All Authority.... Go and make Disciples

Definition of a Disciple:

Definition of Discipleship:

The Nature of this Commission:

1. “Go” - _____
2. “of ALL nations” – _____
3. “all NATIONS” - _____
4. “Baptizing them” – _____
5. “Into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit” - _____
6. “Teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you” – _____
7. “I am with you always, to the end of the age” – _____

Default of your heart: This is _____ responsibility

Ephesians 4:11-14

Small Groups

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

Meets **May 8, 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 **May 10, 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 **May 10, 2017** with dinner at 6:30pm and study from 7:00-8:30pm. Study on *Kingdom Parables* led by Bill Gleason and Bob Sharp.

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

Meets **May 15, 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 **May 17, 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 **May 17, 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 **May 17, 2017** with dinner at 6:00pm and study from 6:30-8:00pm. Study on the book of Romans led by Aaron Francis.

Men's Study: Meeting the 2nd and 4th Fridays at Western Sizzlin. Meets **May 19, 2017** from 7:00-7:45am. Study on Philippians, Led by John Fender.

Women's Morning Study: Has concluded for the spring.

Women's Evening Study: Has concluded for the spring.

Worship Volunteers

*If you would like to serve in one of these ways, please e-mail Melissa Miles at melissa@firstprespooler.com
Adult nursery workers serve during both the Sunday School hour and the Worship hour.*

Serving This Week (5/7)

Nursery Captain

Kim Hayes

Infants

Donna Francis, Edna Gleason

Movers

Keightley Daniels, Anna Hayes

Toddlers

Miranda Oglesby,

Liz, Alexandra, & Samantha St.Lawrence

Ushers

Drew Holbrook, Tim Hicks, Joel Daniels
John Jones, Bob Sharp (Deacon on Duty)

Sound

Ryan Brown

Evening

Discipleship Conference

Serving Next Week (5/14)

Nursery Captain

Elizabeth Brown

Infants

Jessica and Allison Mack

Movers

Madison Terry, Emily Gardiner

Toddlers

Melissa Bebelos, Kristina &

Trace Barnaowski

Ushers

Zach & David Baranowski, John Twibell,
Bob Glover, Caleb Johnson (Deacon on Duty)

Sound

Kevin Eck

Evening

Jill Warfield, Maggie Banks

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TODAY:

May 7th -Sunday Morning 10:00am-12:00pm & Sunday Evening 5:30-7:30pm

Discipleship Emphasis Day

Sunday Morning:

Sunday School: Michael- on Discipling our Families

Morning Worship: John- on Making Disciples: Every Christian's Calling

Sunday night:

5:30 pm Dinner

6:00 pm General Session with John "One on One Discipleship"

6:45 pm Divided Session- Choose from one of our breakout groups
(Small Groups, Sunday School, or Individual Discipleship)

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.

MOPS Mom's Night Out- Friday, May 12th - Laser Tag at Frames N Games in Pooler. Time: TBD. You do not need to be a member to attend. If you are interested in this event, please contact Carlie Martin at carliebmartin@gmail.com or Jennifer Mullis at Jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com.

Youth Service Project! May 13th, 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Fresh Air Home on Tybee Island. Fresh Air Home is a summer camp for under privileged children. We will work in and around the house to help them prepare for their summer camp season. After lunch we will enjoy some time on the beach! Make sure to bring all of your beach supplies (towels, sun screen, bathing suit, etc.)

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Meeting, Sunday, May 21st at 4:30 pm. Please plan to attend. We will also have a VBS set up day Sunday afternoon, June 11th. Details to follow.

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.

Please be sure to turn in your **Elders and Deacon Nominations** this month. Forms are on the foyer table.

Save the Date:

Baby Shower for Kristin Stegner (baby girl) **June 3rd, 10:00 am** at the church. Details to follow.

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 started 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 Goals:

In holding out the gospel we pray that God would save, sanctify and equip His people to serve.

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)
- **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)
- **Director of Youth Ministries:** Aaron Francis (afrancis777@gmail.com)
- **Nursery Coordinator:** Melissa Miles (melissa@firstprespooler.com)
- **Event Coordinator:** Melissa Miles (melissa@firstprespooler.com)
- **Administrative Assistant:** Crystal Twibell (crystal@firstprespooler.com)
- **Director of Korean Ministries:** Rev. Cheol Kim (kchjdm@gmail.com)

Our Denomination:

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