



# First Presbyterian Church

Pooler, Georgia

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

**July 16, 2017**

## **Today's Schedule**

Prayer Meeting	10:15am ~ 10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am ~ 12:00 pm
Discipleship & Dessert	6:30 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

*To know you Lord Jesus,  
Give me a pure heart—that I may see Thee,  
A humble heart—that I may hear Thee,  
A heart of love—that I may serve Thee  
A heart of faith—that I may abide in Thee. Amen.*

## Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 65:1-4

Leader: You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be performed.  
People: **To you that hear prayer shall all people come, because of their transgressions.**  
Leader: When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.  
People: **Blessed are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there!  
We will be satisfied by the goodness of your house, by the holiness of your temple.**  
Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation,  
People: **You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas!**

## † Hymn of Praise

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.  
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

## † Invocation

## Memory Verse for July

Ephesians 2:8-10

“[8] For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, [9] not a result of works, so that no one may boast. [10] For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

Hymn of Confession

“Come Ye Souls By Sin Afflicted”

Words by Joseph Swain, music by Kevin Twit; © 2013 Kevin Twit Music.

1. Come ye souls by, sin afflicted, bowed with fruitless, sorrow down;  
By the broken, law convicted, through the cross, behold the crown;  
Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus; look to Jesus; mercy flows through Him alone.

2. Take His easy, yoke and wear it; love will make your, obedience sweet;  
Christ will give you, strength to bear it, while His grace, shall guide your feet  
Safe to glory, Safe to glory, Safe to glory, where His ransomed captives meet.

3. Blessèd are the, eyes that see Him, blest the ears that, hear His voice;  
Blessèd are the, souls that trust Him, and in Him, alone rejoice;  
His commandments, His commandments, His commandments Then become their happy choice.

4. Sweet as home to, pilgrims weary, light to newly, opened eyes,  
Like full springs in, deserts dreary, is the rest, the cross supplies;  
All who taste it, All who taste it, all who taste it shall to rest immortal rise.

*Tag: Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus; Mercy flows through Him alone.*

Pastoral Prayer

Matthew 7:7

*“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.”*

Returning God’s Tithes and Offerings

Matthew 10:8b

*“Freely you received; freely give.”*

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

Offertory

“Jesus Whispers”

Words by Joseph Hart, 1759; music by Clint Wells and Brian T. Murphy; © 2005 Red Mountain Music; ccli #2765718

Lamb of God, we fall before thee, humbly trusting in thy cross;  
That alone be all our glory; all things else are vain and loss.

Thee we own a perfect Savior, only source of all that's good:  
Every grace and every favor comes to us through Jesus' blood.

Chorus:

*Jesus whispers this sweet sentence, "Son, thy sins are all forgiven."*

*Faith He gives us to believe, hearing ears and seeing eyes.*

When we live on Jesus' merit, then we worship God aright,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Then we savingly unite. *(chorus)*

Hear the whole conclusion of it; great or good, whate'er we call,

God, or King, or Priest, or Prophet, Jesus Christ is All in All. (*chorus x2*)

*Jesus whispers this sweet sentence, "Son, thy sins are all forgiven"*

## † 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

**Bob Sharp, Deacon**

## Sermon

**John 18:1-11**

**"Our Sovereign, Suffering Savior, Part 1: Jesus' Betrayal and Arrest"**

Rev. John Fender

## † Closing Hymn

**"Oft in Sorrow"**

Words by Henry White and Frances Fuller-Maitland, music by Justin Smith; © 2011 Justin Smith Music.

1. Oft in sorrow, oft in woe, Onward, Christian, onward go.  
Fight the fight, maintain the strife,  
Strengthened with the Bread of life.
2. Let your drooping hearts be glad. March in heavenly armor clad.  
Fight, nor think the battle long.  
Victory soon shall be your song.
3. Let not sorrow dim your eye, soon shall every tear be dry.  
Let not fears your course impede,  
Great your strength, if great your need.
4. Onward then in battle move, more than conquerors ye shall prove.  
Though opposed by many a foe,  
Christian soldiers onward go.

## † 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

### **“Our Sovereign, Suffering Savior, Part 1: Jesus' Betrayal and Arrest”**

**John 18:1-11**

*[1] When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. [2] Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. [3] So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. [4] Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” [5] They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. [6] When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground. [7] So he asked them again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” [8] Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.” [9] This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.” [10] Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) [11] So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”*

**The \_\_\_\_\_ against Jesus Vs. 1-3**

**The Sovereign \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Vs. 4-9**

**The Perfect \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Vs. 10-11**

**What are you going to do with Jesus?**

## **SIGN UP THIS WEEK FOR**

### **Small Groups at FPCP**

*Mature spiritually - connect relationally*

A small group gives you the additional opportunity to mature in your relationship with Jesus by going deeper in your study of God's word and to connect relationally with others who are seeking to grow in their relationship with Jesus. We believe meeting in this setting will be a tremendous blessing to you and your family.

Our hope for each group is that they provide a place to...

- Practice our call to be disciplined and make disciples of Jesus Christ.
  - Share your needs and pray for one another.
  - Serve others by bearing one another's burdens.
  - Invite friends into the life of the church

Here is a list of the groups:

Covenanter's Group (*Children out of the home*)  
Westminster Group (*Adults with Middle and High School Aged Children*)  
Knox Group (*Adults with Elementary Aged Children*)  
Calvin Group (*Adults with Pre-school Aged Children*)  
Augustine Group (*Young Adults*)  
Rincon Group (*Families living in the Effingham County area*)  
Women's Morning and Evening Studies  
Men's Group  
Youth Group (*Middle and High School Aged kids*)

**Small Groups are on Summer Break- We will resume mid-August**

## **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 This Week (7/16)**

#### **Nursery Captain**

Melissa Miles

#### **Infants**

Grace Miles, Rebecca Stanton

#### **Movers**

Lacy Hicks, Faith Miles, Brian Miles

#### **Toddlers**

Leah & Suzanne Underwood

#### **Ushers**

Scott Terry, Mike Foley, Steve Mack, James Hardison,  
Bob Sharp (Deacon on Duty)

#### **Sound**

TBD

#### **Evening**

TBD

### **Serving Next Week (7/23)**

#### **Nursery Captain**

Maggie Banks

#### **Infants**

Marsha Grovenstein, Sara Daniels

#### **Movers**

Jasmine Hill, TBD

#### **Toddlers**

Morgan Christopher, Joel & Nathan Daniels

#### **Ushers**

Anders Martin, Joel Daniels, Thomas Miles,  
Jacob Terry, Caleb Johnson (Deacon on Duty)

#### **Sound**

Kevin Eck

#### **Evening**

Faith Eck, Shirley Foley

## Announcements for July 16<sup>th</sup>

### TODAY

**10:15 am** Prayer Meeting & Sunday School Teacher's Meeting  
**11:00 am** Morning Worship  
**6:30 pm** Discipleship & Dessert –Come & enjoy assorted cakes together!

This morning we have **sign-up sheets for small group and Sunday school**. Please take a few minutes after the service to sign-up for the small group and Sunday school class you and your family will be a part of this coming fall.

We welcome **Nancy Peavey** into our fellowship today as she moves her membership to FPCP.

### 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).

Next **Sunday, July 23 at 10:30am** there will be an **Informational Meeting for the Copper Basin Mission Trip**- If you are interested in this ministry please come or contact Carl or Nancy Story at [carlandnancystory@gmail.com](mailto:carlandnancystory@gmail.com) for more details. On **Oct. 11-14th**, Carl and Nancy Story will be leading a group to McCaysville, GA to minister to people in a great need as the church did last year. The group will be making repairs and upgrades within homes, help with food and clothing, medical ministry, helping in missionary center, share the gospel and pray with people. FPCP wants to be a church that answers the call of God for those who are in need in accordance with God's Word (Mt. 25:34-40). If you interested in this trip or have any questions please contact Carl or Nancy Story at [carlandnancystory@gmail.com](mailto:carlandnancystory@gmail.com).

Next **Sunday, July 23 at 10:15 am** there will be a training session for those interested in serving in our children's church ministry. If you are interested but have plans to attend the Copper Basin Mission meeting contact Melissa Miles and she will provide you with the training materials for children's church. For more information or questions contact Melissa at [melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com)

### COMING SOON:

#### Discipleship and Dessert

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fruit Salad**

July 30<sup>th</sup> – Poke Cake\*

**August 6<sup>th</sup> – Favorite Cookie/Bar**

August 13<sup>th</sup> – Cake \*

**August 20<sup>th</sup> – Favorite Dessert**

\*Church provides dessert

**MOPS -Workers Needed** - We are looking for ladies who would be willing to serve MOPS by working in the nursery. It would be the first and third Wednesdays of most months (August-May) from 9:30-11:30am. It is a paid position. If you are interested, 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)

**MOPS Summer Play Dates** - You do not have to be a MOPS member to attend. Please feel free to invite friends! For more details or to RSVP, send an email 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).

MOPS Kids Workers Orientation- August 9<sup>th</sup> 9:30-11:00 am at the church

Mom's Bible Study - August 17<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm at The Front Porch Coffee Shop

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night- Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>

MOPS Open House- Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30-11:30 am at the church

# 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](mailto:john@firstprespooler.com))
- **Ruling Elders:** Randy Grovenstein, Kelly Larson, Nate Warfield, and Clay Harden
- **Deacons:** Ryan Brown, Travis Cope, Kevin Eck, Ken Hayes, 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))
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- **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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