



First Presbyterian Church

Pooler, Georgia

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

July 23, 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

Prayer for those attending Service Camp at Ridge Haven

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, You delight to pour out the riches of your grace and mercy on those who humble themselves before you. Fill us with the Holy Spirit this day. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 66:1-6

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you. All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man. He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in Him

† Hymn of Praise

"King of Saints"

Words by Joseph Hart, 1712-1768; music by Clint Wells, 2004; © 2005 Red Mountain Music

Jesus Christ, God's holy lamb, We will laud thy lovely name;
We were saved by God's decree, And all our debt was paid by thee.

Thou has washed us in thy blood, Made us kings and priests to God;
Take this tribute of the poor; Less we can't, we can't give more.

Chorus:

*Souls redeemed, your voices raise, Sing your dear Redeemer's praise;
Worthy thou of love and laud, King of saints, incarnate God.*

Righteous are thy ways and true; Endless honors are thy due;
Grace and glory in thee shine; Matchless mercy, love divine.

We for whom thou once was slain, We thy ransomed sinner train,
In this one request agree, "Spirit make us more like thee." (*chorus x2*)

† 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."

Reading of Scripture

Genesis 31:43-55

Hymn of Confession

“Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me”

Rock of Ages, cleft for me let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress, helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

Pastoral Prayer

1 John 5:14

“And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.”

Returning God's Tithes and Offerings

Matthew 6:19-21

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

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

Offertory

“Jesus Lover of my Soul”

Words by Charles Wesley, music by Greg Thompson; ©2000, Greg Thompson Music.

1. Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

2. Other refuge have I none, I helpless, hang on Thee;
Leave, oh leave me not alone, support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing.

3. Thou, O Christ, are all I want, more than all in Thee I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace.

4. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

† 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

Caleb Johnson, Deacon

Sermon

John 18:12-18, 25-27

“Our Sovereign, Suffering Savior, Part 2: Peter Denies Jesus”

Rev. John Fender

† Closing Hymn

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ the solid rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When Darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (*chorus*)

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood supports me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (*chorus*)

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne!

† 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 2: Peter Denies Jesus”

John 18:12-18, 25-27

[12] So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. [13] First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. [14] It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

[15] Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, [16] but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. [17] The servant girl at the door said to Peter, “You also are not one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” [18] Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

[25] Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, “You also are not one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it and said, “I am not.” [26] One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” [27] Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

I. Peter’s Failure

What is the difference between Judas and Peter?

II. Spiritual lessons: We are spiritually vulnerable when...

A. We fail to understand _____, which are not our ways.

B. We fail to recognize our own _____, so that we trust in ourselves, not in the Lord.

C. We fail to recognize the spiritual _____ that we’re engaged in and so fail to pray as we should.

D. We fail to _____ more than we fear people

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

Serving This Week (7/23)

Nursery Captain

Elizabeth Brown

Infants

Marsha Grovenstein, Jasmin Hill

Movers

Keightley Daniels, Millie Twibell

Toddlers

Morgan Christopher, Annie & Laina Twibell

Ushers

John Jones, Steve Mack, Thomas Miles,
Jacob Terry, Caleb Johnson (Deacon on Duty)

Sound

Kevin Eck

Evening

Leslie Fender, Shirley Foley

Serving Next Week (7/30)

Nursery Captain

Kim Hayes

Infants

Edna Gleason, TBD

Movers

Liz, Alexandra, & Samantha St. Lawrence

Toddlers

Miranda Oglesby, Anna Hayes

Ushers

David Salser, Tim Hicks, Zach Baranowski,
David Brodmann (Deacon on Duty)

Sound

Jeff Wilhelm

Evening

Melissa Miles, Faith Eck

Announcements for July 23rd

TODAY

10:15 am Prayer Meeting & Copper Basin & Children's Church Meetings
11:00 am Morning Worship
6:30 pm Discipleship & Dessert –Come & bring fruit to share!

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.

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.

Stock the New Kitchen Registry at WalMart is up and running! Please consider helping stock our new facility with these needed kitchen items. If you have any questions please see Melissa. The registry can be accessed here: www.walmart.com then go Registry/Lists – then Lists & Special occasions – then search by “Melissa Miles” in Georgia. FPCP should be near the top of the list!

COMING SOON:

Discipleship and Dessert

July 30th – Poke Cake*

August 6th – Favorite Cookie/Bar

August 13th – Cake *

August 20th – Favorite Dessert

*Church provides dessert

Save the Date! Picnic in the Park, August 27, 4-8 pm at Tom Triplett Park. Mark your calendar and plan to attend! More details to follow!

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 or Jennifer Mullis at 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 or Jennifer Mullis at jennifer.mullis23@gmail.com.

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

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

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night- Monday, August 21st

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

October 11-14th, Copper Basin Mission Trip. Carl and Nancy Story will be leading a group to McCaysville, GA to minister to people in 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.

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, 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:

The Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

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