

Morning Worship—November 19, 2017

24th Sunday after Pentecost

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, “Amen,” after hymns.*

PRELUDE “Rigaudon” Handbell choir

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is here to receive our praise.

People: God is worthy of our adoration.

Leader: God is here to receive our confession.

People: God is near to the brokenhearted.

Leader: God is here to transform our minds and hearts.

People: Let us joyfully worship God.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 230** “This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty Father, Lord of heaven and earth: we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us after Your great goodness; according to the multitude of Your mercies, do away with our offenses; wash us thoroughly from our wickedness, and cleanse us from our sins; for Jesus Christ’s sake. Hear our prayer as we continue in silence.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sin enslaves us in self-destructive ways.

People: But in Christ we are set free.

Leader: Guilt chains us to a hurtful past.

People: But in Christ we are liberated for a new future.

Leader: Believe in the Good News!

People: In Christ we are forgiven!

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music “Give Thanks” Smith/Hayes
Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Prayer of Dedication

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Tom Gillespie

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” arr. Harlan/Hallquist

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God our helper, show us Your ways and teach us Your paths. By Your Holy Spirit, open our minds that we may be led in Your truth and taught Your will. Then may we praise You by listening to Your Word and by obeying it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LESSON (436/457) Psalm 118:1-14
SERMON “How to Say Thanks” Rev. Allen Thompson

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 559** “We Gather Together”

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE 555, verse 3 “Now Thank We All Our God”

POSTLUDE “A Joyful Ring” Handbell choir

The flowers that enhance our worship this morning are given in loving memory of Kent’s mother, Neva E. Shelton by Diane & Kent Shelton.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Nelson R. Clark, Dianne East, Marilyn East, Pauline Fitts, Tandy Gaffney, Mrs. H. Harris (Kathleen Harris’ Mother)

ON THE MEND— Gwen Baucom, Martha Bell, Julia Gregson, Bob Lowther, Paul Patrick, Mike Reynolds, Tom West

Our condolences to the Miller family on the loss of Larry who passed away November 15. Keep Laurie, Anderson, Sue & Alexander in your prayers during this time.

The Annual Church Christmas Breakfast will be Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. in Overby Hall. Mark your calendar for your family to enjoy this Christmas tradition that began in the 1940’s. Everyone is welcome to a breakfast of ham or sausage biscuits, homemade breakfast casseroles, fruit, sweets, juices & coffee sponsored by members of the Outlook Sunday School class. There is no charge. Come & begin your day of worship with this time of fellowship and joy!

Membership Comm. is planning an outing on Dec. 3rd to the VA Christmas Spectacular at Thomas Road Baptist. We have limited number of seats available at \$14.34. Contact John Parris(793-9239) johndparrissr@gmail.com or the office at 792-7822 vickie@fpcdanville.com If you’re interested in attending.

The Weekend Back Pack Program is up and running at God’s Storehouse. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nancy Wilson. FPC is responsible for Monday Nov. 20th.

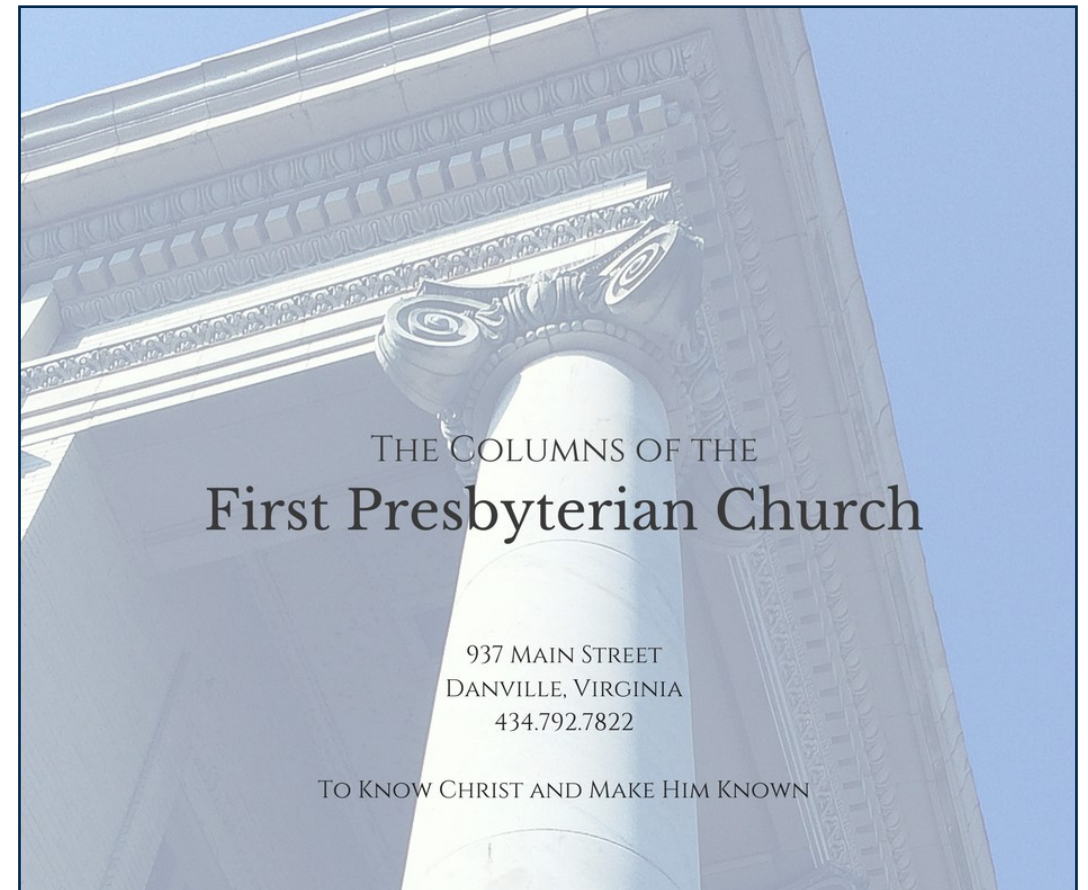
Our Angel Tree will go up Nov. 19th with the gifts due back by Dec. 10th. Prepare to pick your Angel and help this ministry this Christmas season.

I would like to thank my church family for the outpouring of love extended to me during the illness and passing of my sister, Judy. The prayers, kind words, cards, and charitable donations in Judy’s memory were so appreciated. Judy loved people & loved to laugh. Her wish for each of you would be to love each other & be happy. Much love in Christ, Mike Reynolds

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	Diane Shelton & Kim Clifton
Children’s Sunday School	Karan Johnson/Gwen Baucom Carolyn Baker/Kathy Machado
Elders at Front Door	B. Wilson
Friendship Period	M. Reynolds/B. Takata
Deacon to Receive Offering	Susan Mathena
Officers to Count Offering	Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Nancy Schomer
Time for Young Disciples	Tom Gillespie
Sound System	Ray Beale
Ushers	Team 3
Flower Ministry	Evening Circle
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Nov. 25	K. Shelton/J. Perez

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

FRIDAY, November 24

All Day Church Office Closed

MONDAY, November 20

9:30 a.m. Prayer Group
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Comm. Thanksgiving Service

SATURDAY, November 25

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
 11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry

TUESDAY, November 21

5:15 p.m. Handbells

SUNDAY, November 26

9:00 a.m. Mission Committee
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
 Mid & High School, Rm 112
 Outlook Class, Rm 322
 Bible Fellowship, Library
 Seekers, Rm 109
 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS

WEDNESDAY, November 22

No Youth Activities

THURSDAY, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving
 No Chancel Choir Practice