

***Doxology**

(Children Leave Following the Doxology)

Prayers of the People

Scripture:

2 Corinthians 8:3-5

Sermon

“Pathways to Generosity: Giving yourself to the Lord”

***Hymn**

“Take My Life”

GTG#697

Postlude

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

arr. Travis

Benediction

Serving Today

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth E. Broschart

Kathy and Joe Northen

Eddie Blount

Kathy Dolianitis

Becky Meadema

Bernadine Hayes

C. B. Strange

Leigh Blount and Brenna Takata

Minister of Word and Sacrament

Interim Choir Director & Organist

Sound

Time for Young Disciples

Liturgist

Security, Side door & Offering

Greeter

Sunday School

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God,
and in honor of those with an October birthday*

By Joyce Perez

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church.

Our office hours are Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

We can be found on the web at www.fpcdanville.com or on Facebook.

Please call us at 434-792-7822



**GROWING IN GENEROSITY
ROOTED IN FAITH**

First Presbyterian Church

October 24, 2021

As the chimes ring in the worship hour, we invite you to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.

***Please stand as you are able.**

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Stewardship

Moment for Mission

Invocation

Lord GOD Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, Deliverer of your people, Father of your Anointed King, indeed your beloved Son, with whom you are well pleased: Blessed are you above all others! You alone deserve to be trusted. You alone deserve to be served. You alone deserve to be worshipped. There is no other God!

Grant us grace this day, we pray, to trust in you fully, to serve you well, to worship you rightly, to serve you with fear, and to rejoice with trembling. Praise be to you, eternal Father of your Son, Anointed Son of your Father, Holy Spirit of them both, the one and only God forever and ever. Amen.

Prelude *This is My Father's World* arr, Wood

Call to Worship

One: We come to worship a generous and loving God.

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

One: We will praise the Lord as long as we have breath.

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

One: Our hope is in our Lord, our God.

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

***Hymn** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

GTG #611

Unison Prayer of Confession:

God, forgive us. Our efforts to love you with heart, soul, mind, and strength often fall short. Our lack of trust in you hinders our ability to give ourselves completely to you. We stubbornly deny that you know what is best for us. Our mindset of meagerness keeps us from loving our neighbors, and ourselves. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: God's love—shown to us through Jesus—is greater than our shortcomings. The blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purifies our conscience from dead works to worship the living God.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ—**

Please stand, pass the peace with cupped hands and remain standing for the hymn.

***Praise and Worship** "Lord of All Good"

GTG #711

(Children Come Forward During Last Stanza)

A Time for Young Disciples

Kathy Dolianitis

Offering Prayer/Collection

"Heavenly Father, thank You that You have given us all things richly to enjoy and that everything we have come from You. May we never be under the illusion that we can out-give Your over-abounding gift of grace.. in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. May I give faithfully, cheerfully and generously of my time, my talents and my money - and may the motive behind my giving be pure and ever open to Your scrutiny - this I ask in Jesus name, AMEN.

Choral Anthem

"The Greatest Gift Is Love"

by Hayes

Ashley Stanley-Robey, flute

The session of First Presbyterian Church – Danville has called a Special Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, Oct. 24.

The action items are limited to the following:

- 1.Election of a 2021 Nominating Committee. A slate has been presented that includes Joyce Perez, session member and chair, Pastor Beth, ex officio, Brenna Takata, clerk, and the following four at large members: Leigh Blount, Gene Hayes, Barbara Wilkins, and Dickie Green.
- 2.To approve the following resolution:

First Presbyterian Church of Danville, Inc.

Resolution for Congregational Meeting

WHEREAS: The By-Laws of the First Presbyterian Church of Danville, Inc. provide for the election of three trustees, and

WHEREAS: From the period July 10, 2021 until August 10, 2021, a need arose for Thomas E. Gillespie to be elected as a trustee, and

WHEREAS: Three trustees had already been elected by the congregation, it is therefore:

RESOLVED: That Thomas E. Gillespie be elected as a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church of Danville, Inc. for the period July 10, 2021 until August 10, 2021 and that the congregation accepts the temporary resignation of Raymond Beale, Jr. for this specified period. It is further:

RESOLVED: That the congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Danville, Inc. affirms the election of Raymond Beale, Jr. and reinstates him as a trustee from August 11, 2021 until the expiration of his term on December 31, 2023.

Announcements:

CE Committee will meet Monday October 25th at 4:40 pm

Congregational Meeting Sunday October 24th immediately following worship.

Generosity Committee will meet Wednesday, October 27 at 7 pm.

The **Membership Committee** is happy to announce our annual Low Country Boil. It will be held at the church on Sunday Oct 24th at 4:00pm. We'll have our typical fare of the Low Country Boil (shrimp, potatoes and sausage), cornbread muffins, slaw and dessert. We'll position the tables so we can achieve social distancing and keep everyone safe. If you would like to attend, please let the office know as soon as possible. The cost will be \$8 per person, as it was in 2019.

Missions Announcement:

On October 24th FPC will welcome missionary Bill Perrow. Bill is the founder and executive director of the Open Arms Foundation operating in Colombia. For over 30 years, Bill and his wife Wanda have worked to serve at risk children and plant churches. Bill will speak to combined Sunday School classes and have a minute for mission during worship. Come and find out what God is doing through Open Arms and your generous giving.

Rev. Paul Sydnor, our sponsored missionary in France, will be here to speak November 21. He works with refugees from many parts of the Mediterranean world in need of everything, food, clothing, medical aid, and compassion from the Christian community. Mark the calendar for his visit with us.