

*RESPONSE (Hymn 447)

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

Please find and sign the Registration of Attendance pad and pass it to others on the same pew, so that we may have a record of your attendance at this service. If you are visiting today, we hope you will provide contact information, especially your email address, so that we may share more about the program and activities of this congregation.

MINUTE FOR MISSION— Storm Victims

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING # (Pew Bible, p. 21 OT) Genesis 25:19-34

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING # (Pew Bible, p. 157 NT) Romans 8:1-11
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (11:00) *Go Down Moses* arr. Richard E. Frey
Chancel Choir

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

At the 11:00 service, when this time is concluded, children pre-school through 2nd grade are invited to join the leader to go to children's church. The rest may return to sit with their family in the sanctuary.

*HYMN 803 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

SERMON *There Is a Tomorrow* Harry C. Meissner

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed
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.

PRAYER CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER *Come and Fill Our Hearts* Jacques Berthier
Congregation (Hymn 466)

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al-le-lu—ia!**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SILENT PRAYER, CONCLUDING COLLECT

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *How Great Thou Art* arr. Craig Courtney
The Octet

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

**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**

*HYMN 686 *God of Our Life*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE (11:00) *Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace* American folk melody
Chancel Choir

VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Voluntary* John Bennett

OUR INVITATION

Every service of worship invites us to consider our relationship to Jesus Christ and to his church. If you are not vitally involved in some community of faith, perhaps this congregation is the place where you can worship, find fellowship, grow, and share in our mission and witness to the world. If you would like to discuss this important matter, please indicate your interest on the registration of attendance pad or speak to the minister following the service.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder - (8:45) Dr. Carol Stephenson, (11:00) Rich Follansbee
** Deacon - (8:45) Terri White, (11:00) Anita Campbell
Acolyte - Julia Mauldin (11:00)

THE NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Today's Schedule - July 16

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
12:15 p.m. - Faith Builders *Summer Splash* at the Sloan's

Tuesday

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting

Next Sunday - July 23

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service with Pulpit Guest Sandy Maclachlan
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

The Interim Pastor will take a few days vacation, beginning Wednesday this week. He will return to the office the next Tuesday. In his absence, we are excited to be able to welcome Sandy Maclachlan to our pulpit. We know that we will be well served.

During the month of July the choir forgoes its Wednesday rehearsal. The *Warm-up* time will serve as the rehearsal.

An audio copy of both **today's sermon** and recent sermons may be found on the church website fpcmesquite.org. From the home page menu, select the *worship* tab, then *sermon audio*, and then choose the sermon you wish.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Harry C. Meissner—Interim Pastor
Casey McCollough—Director of Music
B. J. Mauldin—Organist/Keyboard Musician
Renee Stormer—Administrative Assistant
Thomas G. Wilbanks—Pastor Emeritus



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July 16, 2017

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Large print hymnals or music sheets are available from an usher. Let us worship God!

STRIKING THE HOUR OF WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY *Adagio from "Symphony No. 3"* Saint-Saëns

CHORAL INTROIT *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord* Frayssé
Soloist (8:45), Chancel Choir (11:00)

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2, John 6:63, 68*
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also with you.

The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord; you have the words of eternal life.

*HYMN 15 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have often not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness. In your great compassion cleans us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON