

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

11:00 AM

*Robert C. Brizendine, Pastor*

*Scott Schlesinger, Organist/Choir Director*

*JoAnn Harrison, Secretary*

## Gathering of the People

Prelude

*Lullaby (from Suite No. 2)*

Calvin Hampton

Welcome, Announcements, Concerns

Choral Introit

*Praise, I Will Praise You Lord*

## Praise of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Once we were not a people,

**People: But now we are God's people.**

Leader: Once we were alone,

**People: But together we are the household of God.**

Leader: Here in this time of worship, and later when we go forth to serve,

**People: Christ is our cornerstone, strengthening us for the journey.**

Leader: In our living and in our dying,

**People: Christ is our sure foundation, strengthening us along the way.**

Prayer of Adoration

\* Hymn No. 624

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

## Confession of Sin

Call to Confession

Silent Individual Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, prepare us for the difficult road ahead. Like Stephen, help us be ready to forgive even the most horrendous of sins. Like the psalmist, help us accept your forgiveness and grace. Like newborn infants, help us receive your unconditional love. With steadfast love, shine your face upon us, that we may know the beauty of your mercy and your grace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Response No. 447

***We Are Forgiven***

*We are forgiven, we are forgiven.*

*Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

## Sharing of God's Word

Conversation with the Children

Kathy Remington

*(Children ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will leave for Sunday School classes;  
a nursery is also provided for infants and toddlers upstairs)*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

*Acts 7:55-60 (p. 126)*

*1 Peter 2:2-10 (p. 233)*



# CHURCH NOTES

May 14, 2017

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We welcome you to Hillsborough Presbyterian Church and to this service. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today because we believe that everyone who enters these doors is God's guest. We invite you to sign the guest book in the narthex or the Friendship Pad as it is passed among the congregation. We welcome all to be part of our community of faith, and participate in any of our activities and events.

We invite you to join us on Sundays for worship and education.

9:45 AM Sunday School -- for Youth and Adults!

9:45 AM Children's Nursery! (downstairs from Sanctuary)

11:00 AM Traditional Worship – with organ music and choir  
(Children's Sunday School follows Conversation with Children)

**CHILD CARE** is provided for infants and toddlers in the Nursery on the first floor (downstairs from Sanctuary). **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** (ages 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) is provided during worship. Children may leave for class following the Conversation with the Children.

The **FLOWERS** are shared today to the Glory of God by Chris and Cathy Ely.

Assisting in Worship today:

Liturgist: Kathy Remington

Acolyte: Mackenzie Salem

The **CHOIR's** introit (#628) and benediction (#656) is from the "Glory to God" hymnbook as we introduce you to new hymns.

Join us immediately following 11:00 AM worship on Sunday mornings for "**LEMONADE ON THE LAWN**". To host, please use the sign-up sheet outside the office. Questions? See Jan McKelvey.

**Youth Group** will meet at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, May 17. Eric is seeking assistance for meals for **HPC Youth Group** for their final Wednesday sessions - May 17, May 24, and June 7. Kim Bryant will provide dinner on May 31. (Youth Group will resume in the Fall!) We have (4) youth that consistently attend our youth activities. Questions? See Eric Cathey.

Join us on **Tuesdays**, for our **Healthy Walks on Riverwalk** at 5:30 PM at the Riverwalk entrance at the end of Nash and Kollock Street – beyond Weaver Street Market. -- Jane Gaede

**WHY JESUS? GROUP** -- You are invited to join us for a small group study on **Friday evening May 19 at 6 pm** at the home of Bernie & Alice Nord. Bring a potluck dish to share. We will join together for dinner and then divide into small groups to discuss the book: "Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi" by Amy-Jill Levine. We will be discussing Chapter 7: "The Laborers in the Vineyard." Please come join us, even if you have not attended previous sessions. Let Bernie & Alice know if you plan to come. Let Carolyn or Marc Fowler know if you need more information.

**Food for All** – Recently Hugh Tilson from Food For All asked HPC to prepare a meal for about 30 people in need every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. As a commission we have agreed to take care of **May 23** meal, but we are looking for a group of volunteers from the congregation who would be interested in leading or organizing and committing to this effort before we consider a long-term commitment. If you are interested, contact Jane McIver or Kathy Remington.

**LAST FRIDAY JAZZFEST** - The talented A.L. Stanback Jazz Band, directed by Mr. Capps, will amaze and amuse us on Friday, May 26 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Enjoy free ice cream served on our blocked-off part of West Tryon Street. Questions? See Lisa Flinn

**Choir Rehearsal** is on Thursday evenings, at 7:00 PM in Room #221. Questions? See Scott Schlesinger.

The **deadline for the June “Church Mouse”** will be Thursday, May 18 at 1:00 PM. Please get calendar events and articles in to the church office (hpchurch@hillsboroughpres.org).

Mark your calendar for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at HPC July 14 and 15**, for children pre-kindergarten through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders. More details soon!

The **2017 FLOWER CHART** is located outside the church office. Sign up -- and share with your Church the joy of an anniversary or other occasion, or memorialize or honor someone important to you! (Available dates: June 18).



Check out our **HPC WEB PAGE** at [www.hillsboroughpres.org](http://www.hillsboroughpres.org) – click on any event on our calendar page for details! You will also find the monthly newsletter and the weekly bulletin posted on this webpage! A great way to keep up with what’s happening at HPC!

In an emergency or to share a concern, please contact the Pastor, Bob Brizendine. His contact numbers are 919-732-3131 (W), 919-732-0940 (H), or drbobbriz@hillsboroughpres.org

**THIS SUNDAY: May 14**  
**Lectionary Readings:** Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16;  
I Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

**Tue** – 5:30 PM Healthy Walks on Riverwalk (see article)  
**Wed** – 5:00 PM Youth Group (TBD - dinner)  
**Thu** – 1:00 PM Deadline for June “Church Mouse”  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Room #221, upstairs)  
**Fri** – 6:00 PM Why Jesus? Group (Nords)  
**Sat** – 9:00 AM Piano Recital (Strudwick Hall)

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**NEXT SUNDAY: May 21**  
**Lectionary Readings:** Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20;  
I Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

9:45 AM Adult Sunday School  
9:45 AM Children’s Childcare and Nursery  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship  
(Children’s Sunday School after Conversation with Children)  
12:15 PM Lemonade on the Lawn (Robin Barnhill)  
6:30 PM Session (Room #204, downstairs)

**Volunteers:**  
**Guest Preacher:** Sam Nesbit  
**Liturgist Children’s Sermon:** James Watts  
**Acolyte:** Angela Erdosy  
**Flowers:** Cathey Family  
**Nursery:** Sara clay, Lisa Flinn  
**Greeters:** Ina Phay and Allen Johnson  
**Youth Meal (5/24):** TBD