

Sharing of God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Anthem

The Lord is My Shepherd

Linda Jaubert, flute

Psalms 139:1-18 (p. 577)

John Rutter

Conversation with the Children

(We have worship packets available for Children as they remain in worship; a nursery is provided for infants and toddlers downstairs)

Barbara Younger

Scripture Reading

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Luke 14:25-33 (p. 78)

Sermon

Hold On

Rev. Marguerite Serrine

Response to the Gospel

* Hymn No. 213

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Prayers of the People and 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.

The Offering

Offertory

2nd movement from Concerto in A minor

Antonio Vivaldi

* Hymn of Dedication

Gloria

Henry W. Greatorex (1851)

**Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit,
Three in One; as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith (in unison) excerpts from *The Theological Declaration of Barmen*

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death. We reject the false doctrine, as though the church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation. The church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament. We reject the false doctrine, as though the church in human arrogance could place the Word and work of the Lord in the service of any arbitrarily chosen desires, purposes, and plans.

Go Forth to Serve

Invitation to Share and Serve

* Hymn No. 749

Come! Love in the Light!

* Charge and Benediction

* Response

The Lord Bless You

* Postlude

1st movement from Concerto in A minor

Antonio Vivaldi

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CHURCH NOTES

September 8, 2019

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 all ages!

9:45 AM Children's Nursery (downstairs, Room #201)

11:00 AM Traditional Worship – with organ music and choir

CHILD CARE is provided for infants and toddlers (infants – pre-k) in the Nursery on the first floor (downstairs from Sanctuary).

Assisting in Worship today:

Liturgist: Jane Gaede

Acolyte: Ellie Clay

We love children in worship! There are Worship Bags (coloring pages, stories, etc.) available for children during worship.

Join us for **Lemonade on the Lawn** immediately following worship on Sunday mornings during September.

SEEKERS CLASS. For all who are seeking whether or not church membership is for you. Meet with Marguerite at 9:45 in Room #204 on September 8, 15 and 22 for discussion of benefits of membership and where it gets challenging.

HPC Book Club will meet at 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 8 in the Parlor to discuss the fabled mystery *Blood and Ivy: The 1849 Murder that Scandalized Harvard* by Paul Collins. Fascinating characters and an evocative atmosphere will make this book a quick read and a stimulating topic for discussion. Light refreshments will be served. Questions? See Lisa Flinn.

Circle #1 will meet at HPC at 11:00 on Monday, September 9. All are invited to join us as we continue our study on Hospitality. Bring a sandwich – the hostess provides beverages and dessert. Visitors and guests are always welcome! Questions? See Ann Sebesan.

Our **Youth Group** will resume on Wednesday, September 11. We'll gather from 6:00 – 7:30 PM in Room #204. More details coming soon... Questions? See Eric Cathey.

Joyful Noise rehearsal will be on Sunday, September 15 at 9:45 in Room #221. Joyful Noise will sing on October 6 and then rehearsals will be first and third Sunday mornings each month. Questions? See Scott Schlesinger.

NEW Music Program for 1st grade and younger! Join Virginia Drill in Room 222 on September 15 from 9:45 – 10:15 am for the first family class to introduce our youngest children to rhythm, melody and singing. Caretakers bring your 6-7 year old or younger. What you learn in class can be practiced at home.

Community Outreach Committee meeting on Monday, September 16 at 6:30 PM in Room #204. Questions? See Jane McIver.

The **203rd birthday of our church** will be celebrated on **September 22nd** with cupcakes and lemonade. The Worship committee would like to collect **203 items** for the OCIM food pantry. In particular they would like Peanut butter and Jelly. Please help us reach that goal!

Mark your calendar – **Friday, September 27 for our "Last Friday"** event at 6:30 PM. We will celebrate this year's final Last Friday event by presenting Dr. Drill and the Bits on the Tryon Street Stage. This Band is an extra special treat to go along with the free ice cream! Questions? See Rich Erdosy.

Sign-up sheet for **Mowing the Lawn** is on the Building and Grounds bulletin board in the hallway. Questions? See Jane Gaede. (Dates open are September 21, October 5, 19)

To help support itself **OCIM** is having a **Bake Sale** on **Saturday, September 14**, 9 AM – 12:00 Noon at the Farmers Market in Hillsborough. Some HPC bakers will be contributing baked goods. The rest of us can make purchases. Mark your calendar for 9/14!

The **NURSERY SIGN-UP** sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway! Thank you for signing up to take care of our little ones on Sundays! Questions? See Vernon Cooper or Chris O'Connor. (Open dates: October 6)

HPC Choir Rehearsal will be on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM in Room #221. Questions? See Scott Schlesinger.

The **FLOWER CHART** is located outside the church office. Sign up and share with your Church the joy of an anniversary, a special occasion, or memorialize someone important to you! (Open dates: September 15, October 6, 13, 20)



Check out our **HPC WEB PAGE** at 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 church office, 919-732-3131, or marguerite@hillsboroughpres.org

THIS SUNDAY: September 8

Lectionary Readings: Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

- Mon -** 1:00 PM Circle #1 (#204)
- Tue -** 6:30 PM Finance Meeting (#204)
7:00 PM PNC (Parlor)
- Wed -** 7:00 PM Youth Group resumes! (#204)
- Thu -** 7:00PM HPC Choir Rehearsal (#221)
- Sat -** 9:00AM OCIM Bake Sale (Farmers Market)

NEXT SUNDAY: September 15

Lectionary Readings: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14;
I Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

- 9:45 AM Sunday School – for all ages!
- 9:45 AM Joyful Noise rehearsal (#221)
- 9:45 AM Children's Nursery
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship
(Children's Worship Bags in the narthex - coloring pages, stories, etc.)
- 12:15 PM Lemonade on the Lawn (Cathey Family, host)
- 12:15 PM Session Meeting (Strudwick Hall)

Volunteers:

- Liturgist:** Alicia Gonzalez
- Children's Sermon:** Alicia Gonzalez
- Acolyte:** Madeleine Stanley
- Flowers:** TBD
- Nursery:** Marie Curtis
- Greeters:** Tom Brown & Robin Bedingfield