

# First Presbyterian Church

11 AM WORSHIP | OCTOBER 13, 2024 | TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*We invite you, whoever you are and whoever God is helping you to become, to join First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte in our journey of faith. God is love, and that love is for you. You belong as a child of God, and we welcome you. Come experience how that belonging might change you and our world as we seek to be for Christ in the heart of Charlotte.*



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Are you interested in joining our church? Contact Jane Ives, Membership Coordinator, [jives@firstpres-charlotte.org](mailto:jives@firstpres-charlotte.org).

**PREPARATION**

**Prelude** | Variations on *Weisse Flaggen* | Alfred Fedak

**Words of Welcome** | Pen Peery

**Chiming of the Trinity**

**ADORATION**

**Choral Call to Worship** | Will Young

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is therein. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and the King of Glory shall come in. Amen!*

+**Hymn No. 689** | "When the Morning Stars Together" | WEISSE FLAGGEN

**CONFESSION**

**Call to Confession** | Robert Galloway

**Prayer of Confession**

O God of life, grant us forgiveness

**for careless thoughts and thoughtless deeds, for empty speech, and for words which have wounded.**

O God of life, grant us forgiveness

**for foolish desires and hateful actions, for wastefulness, and for what we have left undone.**

O God of life, have mercy upon us,

**and in Jesus Christ pardon and forgive our sin.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

+**Response to Pardon** | Hymn No. 581 | GLORIA PATRI

**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, amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Baptism of Penelope Kate Rogers (Poppy)

+**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.**

*Children ages three through first grade may leave for First Church. They will return to the sanctuary during the last hymn. Older children are encouraged to stay and worship with their families.*

The Elder assisting with the baptism today is Carson Peacock.

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+ Please stand if you are able

**PROCLAMATION** 

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**Prayer for Illumination****Anthem** | “Pilgrims’ Hymn” | Stephen Paulus

*Even before we call on your name to ask you, O God, when we seek for the words to glorify you, you hear our prayer. Unceasing love, O unceasing love surpassing all we know. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Even with darkness sealing us in, we breathe your name. And through all the days that follow so fast, we trust in you. Endless your grace, O endless your grace, beyond all mortal dream, both now and forever, and unto ages and ages. Amen.*

**Scripture** | Psalm 24 | pew Bible p. 502

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****Sermon** | “Ownership: The Big Picture” | Pen Peery**+Hymn No. 19** | “God of Great and God of Small” | GOD OF GREAT AND GOD OF SMALL**RESPONSE** 

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**Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer** | Anna Dickson

**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.**

**Stewardship of Life** | Stewardship | Ali Gilbert**Presentation of Tithes and Offering****Offertory Anthem** | “Lord, Now Let Thy Servant Depart in Peace” | arr. Howard Helvey

*Lord, now let thy servant depart in peace, according to the word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. 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.*

**+Doxology** | LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**+Prayer of Dedication****SENDING FORTH** 

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**+Hymn No. 32** | “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” | ELLACOMBE**+Benediction****+Benediction Response** | “Amen” | John Stainer**Postlude** | Postlude on *Ellacombe* | Albert TravisPRAYER  
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#### IN LOVING MEMORY

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Alison Ridenhour upon the death of her father, Clinton Richard Emberson.

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#### ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Poppy Rogers is the daughter of Maggie and Tucker Rogers.

*If you wish to sponsor sanctuary flowers for a baptism, marriage, memorial/honorarium, or special occasion, please notify Diane Maye at [dianenmaye@hotmail.com](mailto:dianenmaye@hotmail.com).*

Today's Worship Leaders:

**The Reverend Pendleton B. Peery**, *Senior Pastor*

**The Reverend Anna R. Dickson**, *Executive Pastor and Associate for Congregational Care*

**The Reverend Robert L. Galloway**, *Associate Pastor for Discipleship*

**William P. Young, III**, *Director of Music Ministries*

**Kaitlyn Davros**, *Assistant Director of Music Ministries*