The Order for the Worship of God

5th Sunday of Easter Mother's Day May 14, 2017 Eleven o'clock a.m.

The Service of Preparation

Silent Preparation

Spirit of the living God, be the Gardener of my soul. For so long I have been waiting, silent and still - experiencing a winter of the soul. But now, in the strong name of Jesus *Christ. I dare to ask:*

> Clear away the dead growth of the past, Break up the hard clods of custom and routine, Stir in the rich compost of vision and challenge, Bury deep in my soul the implanted Word, Cultivate and water and tend my heart, *Until new life buds and opens and flowers. Amen* Richard Foster

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

WELCOME GUEST MUSICIAN

Rachel Ellis, Cello

"Bouree I (Suite #4)" The Prelude I.S. Bach "Awesome God" (Dan. 9:4) Mullins The Choral Introit

† The Call to Worship (from Psalm 31) Leader: In you, Lord, we have taken our refuge. Deliver

us in your righteousness. Since you are our rock and our fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide us.

People: Into your hands we commit our spirit; redeem us, Lord, our faithful God. We trust in you; we say, "You are our God." Our times are in your hands.

Leader: Love the Lord, all his faithful people! The Lord preserves those who are true to him. Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord. Come, let us worship our God!

Great Is Thy Faithfuless (vv. 1, 2-men, 3) The Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving The Prayers of Silent Confession and Repentance The Assurance of Forgiveness † The Gloria Patri No. 622 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. The Response to God's Work in Our Lives The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings "You Are My All In All" The Offertory Jernigan ♦ Doxology No. 625 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. † The Prayer of Dedication In His Time The Ministry of the Word The Scripture Reading I Peter 2:1-10 (pp. 1014-15 in pew Bible) "In the Garden" The Anthem Arr. Drennan The Sermon "Loving Jesus: The Master Builder" Rev. King † The Hymn of Dedicationsee insert How Great Is Our God ♦ Congregational Response #105 (chorus) He Is Lord He is Lord, He is Lord! He has risen from the dead and He is Lord! Ev-'ry knee shall bow, ev-'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. † The Benediction Tomlin/Cash/Reeves Postlude "How Great Is Our God" ♦ Please stand if you are able

Elder/Reader - Erin Owens **Acolyte -** Elise Davenport The flowers at the pulpit today are presented to the glory of God by Steve, Jack & Fran Nelson in memory of their mother, Elaine Nelson.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun. 05/14 Mother's Day

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church-HS/College Class, 10:00-

10:50 a.m.

Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, 12:00 noon

Tues. 05/16 Women's Services, 5:45-7:30 p.m.

Wed. 05/17 Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.

Pastor's Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Group, 7:00 p.m.

Choir, 7:30 p.m.

Flower Sponsors Needed June 4th & 25th

If anyone is interested, please see Betty Simpkins or call the church office at 935-2148. The cost is \$15.00. Clearly mark your check "Flowers" and place in with the regular offering.

Fundraiser for 2017 Salem ASP Teams

It's that time again to "Make a Change!" Loose change collection for ASP can be given to Lindsey, Elise, Morgan, Sierra, Kym, Reid or Beth. Thank you!!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - WEBSITE

Our website is still under construction but you can access it now by going to http://fpcsnj.com/

COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UP SHEET IS ON THE TABLE IN THE ANNEX FOR VOLUNTEERS TO BRING FOOD FOR COFFEE HOUR ON SUNDAYS.

SERMONS FOR THE SUNDAYS OF EASTER

May 21, "Loving Jesus: Even If It Isn't Fair", I Peter 3:13-22 May 28, Ascension Sunday, "Loving Jesus: Glory Is Coming!", I Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

June 4, Pentecost Sunday, "On All the Lord's People", Numbers 11:24-30

June 11, Trinity Sunday, "Distinctive Blessings", II Corinthians 13:11-14

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Drop off your box tops in the container located in the church kitchen labelled "Trinity Preparatory School".

THANK YOU!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Ellie Hall - Wycliffe Bible Translator in Thailand Revs. Dwayne & Janet Doyle - Interserve USA-Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan Trinity Preparatory School - Matt & Chanda Williams

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY'S LEADERS & THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Mark Lindle...U.S. Navy
James Morrison...U.S. Air Force
Jamie Spears...U.S. Navy
Andrew Spears...Delaware Air National Guard
Matthew Kemm, M.D...U.S. Army Medical Corps
Austin Brown...U.S. Air Force

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mike Smith, Prayers for serious health issues. (*Friend of Keith & Shirley Campbell*)

First Presbyterian Church of Salem, The pastoral search process is continuing. We have received from the PCUSA data base a number of resumes for our consideration. We are sorting them out now and taking special notice of those that might be a good fit for us. Don't stop praying for the committee, for our work and for us as individuals (Reid, Earl, Chris, Kym, Erin and Wendy) that we would appropriate God's wisdom for our task.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Harry Springer, Prayers for severe health issues. (*Friend of David Eastlack*)

Elvena Eastlack, Prayers for severe spinal stenosis. (*Sister-in-law of David & Sharon Eastlack*)

Connie DiArchangelo, Prayers for recent diagnosis of serious health issues. (*Mother of a friend of Reid Willis*)

Linda Stokes, Prayers for serious health issues. (*Friend of Erin Owens.*)

Terry Zieger's sister, Serious health problems.

Robert Parker, Health concerns. (Friend of David Eastlack)

Randi Gage, Praise for encouraging test results.

Brandon Bush, (Friend of Reid Willis)

Bob Hyatt, (Friend of Reid Willis)

Elizabeth Colucci, Prayers for health concerns. (Carol Ives' niece)

Torrey Reade, Prayers for serious health concerns.

(Friend of Noel Kemm)

Rev. Jack & Martha Schilthuis, Prayers for health issues.

Alexander Fiorillo, Diagnosed with a spinal tumor.

(Joe's piano coach)

Sarah Doyle, Continued prayers. (*Rev. Dwayne & Janet Doyle's daughter*)

Linda Grant, Prayers for serious health concerns and treatment. (*Friend of the Warren/Owens Families*)

Sam Elliot, Continued prayers during cancer treatment.

(Mother works at the Oak Diner in Salem)

Steve Silagi, Prayers for health concerns and surgery. (*Friend of Betty Simpkins*)

Gene Zieger's father, Prayers for chronic health issues.

Bernie Weber, Prayers for serious health concerns.

(Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack)

Bill Wilkinson, Receiving treatment for spinal tumor. (*Friend of the Kings*)

Caroline Hickman, Prayers during cancer treatment.

(16 year old daughter of a co-worker of Keith Campbell)

Father Michael J. Doyle, Diagnosed with mouth cancer.

(Parish Priest of Chris Davenport's coworker)

Dawn Kimble, Prayers for health issues.

Terry Zieger, Prayers for health concerns.

Robert Pollack, Continued prayers. (Steve Pollack's brother)

Donna Bacon, Continued prayers for health issues.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Bob & Maureen McCook, Chronic health issues.

(John King's sister & brother-in-law)

Carol Lee, Diagnosed with cancer. (*Friend of Sharon Eastlack*) **Amy Ricketts,** Continued prayers for health issues.

Galen & Sara Lenhert, Continued prayers. (*Beth Davenport's parents*)

Biba Kavass, Continued prayers. (Friend of Beth Davenport)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST
New Life Destiny Fellowship Salem NJ



Sermon Notes

- I. Loving Jesus: The Master Builder
- I Peter 2:1-10
- A. A bold and instructive contrast.
 - 1. Things that are not true and cannot be trusted: "<u>Put away</u> all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander" (v. 1).

VERSUS.

- 2. That which we have discovered to be true and trustworthy: "Long for the pure spiritual milk (v. 3, the Lord), that by it you may grow up into salvation" (v. 2).
 - a. Verse 3 We know that it is good because we have received a taste of it. Having received a taste, we now "long for" (desire, crave) this spiritual milk even more.
- B. Two images of what people who love Jesus become when they work out their salvation (cp. Philippians 2:12b-13 "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.").
 - 1. Verse 5 A Spiritual House.
 - a. Jesus is both the Master Builder of this house (v. 5) and the Cornerstone (vv. 6-7).
 - b. A cornerstone is the actual or, sometimes, nominal starting point of a building which usually serves to unite two walls. Peter, in verse 4, describes our cornerstone as a "living stone".
 - 2. Verse 9 A Chosen Race, a Royal Priesthood, a Holy Nation, a People for His Own Possession (NRSV God's Own People, Phillips A Peculiar People).
 - a. We are distinctive and set aside for <u>two</u> <u>purposes</u>.
 - a1. Verse 5 "<u>To offer spiritual sacrifices</u> acceptable to God through Jesus Christ (see Romans 12:1-2).
 - a2. Verse 9 "That you may <u>proclaim the</u> <u>excellencies</u> of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light."