

A SERVICE for The LORD'S DAY

PEACE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

HALF PAST TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING



We Prepare for the Word of God

WESTMINSTER STRIKE

VOLUNTARY

Sonata I in F Minor, Op. 65: Allegro moderato e serio

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

INTROIT

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

Hal Hopson

O come let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Since and rejoice. – Psalm 95

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103: 1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget none of his benefits.
God pardons my wrongdoing,
and heals all my ills.
God rescues me from death's pit,
and crowns me with love and compassion.
God satisfies me with good as long as I live,
so that my spirit flies like the eagle!
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
With my entire being I will bless God's holy name.

†HYMN OF PRAISE 435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

†CALL TO CONFESSION

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious and loving God,
You lived for us –
but we have not lived for you.
You have forgiven us –
but we find it hard to forgive one another.
You have loved us –
but we have trouble loving ourselves,
much less others.**

**Lord have mercy on us.
Help us to forgive.
Help us to live for you.
Help us to love,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalms 103:8

*The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love*

†PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also, with you.

†GLORIA PATRI 581

Glory Be to the Father

GREATOREX

*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.*

LIFE TOGETHER

Fellowship/Connect Kick-Off Sunday

Martha Espey

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 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 Word to God's People

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON	Matthew 18:15-20	Pew Bible, N.T., p. 20
TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES		
†HYMN OF FAITH 444	<i>Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive</i>	DETROIT
SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON	Matthew 18:21-35	Pew Bible, N.T., p. 20
THE WORD PROCLAIMED	Jesus Loves You... and I'm Trying <i>(Discipleship in Matthew, XII)</i>	Rev. Bob Scott

We Respond with Gratitude

RESPONSE TO SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *With A Voice of Singing* Martin Shaw

*With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia! O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of
His name, make His praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!*

†OFFERTORY RESPONSE 606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Forth to Share the Good News

†HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 727 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* THE SERVANT SONG

†INVITATION AND BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE *Go Forth to Serve* Hal Hopson

*Go forth to serve the Lord of life, go forth to do His holy will. His name sing out along your way,
who was, and is forevermore. Amen.. – Thomas Tallis*

†VOLUNTARY *Sonata I in F Minor, Op. 65: Allegro assai vivace*
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

†The people will please stand in body and spirit as they are able.

The Ministers of Peace Memorial:

all our members and friends.

Assisting in the leadership of worship are:

Rev. Bob Scott, Pastor, Corey Estes, Liturgist;
Members of the Chancel Choir; Timothy Belk, Director of Music Ministries and Organist;
Diane Spohn, Polly Ward, Roy Workman, Alex Zouncourides, Ushers;
Susan Dees and Bob Valentine, Chancel Guild.

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Our worship service is streamed live and archived
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Ministries Today

All are welcome at Peace Memorial. To learn more about our church, please speak with Pastor Bob or visit our website.

Rally Day- Join us in Roebing Hall after worship to discover a small group opportunity that you will be excited to become involved in! Snacks will be provided that will make you feel like you are at a tailgate party!

Ongoing Ministries

Chancel Flowers- Several Sundays are still available in November and December to order flowers in honor or memory of a loved one. Sign up on the calendar in Roebing Hall and adorn the sanctuary with beautiful flowers!

PW Circle Bible Study- Join us for this interesting study, *Sacred Encounters*, the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Magnolia Room. All women of Peace are welcome.

Sisters Circle- Join this women's evening study, *Sacred Encounters*, the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. It is a perfect time for the ladies who have commitments during the day.

Early Bird- Bible Study takes place in the Adult Education Room on the second floor every Wednesday, at 9 a.m. Join Pastor Bob as he leads a study of Isaiah. All are welcome!

Peace Fellowship- Will meet at Guppy's on Indian Rocks Beach Wednesday, September 20 at 5 p.m. Twenty spaces have been reserved for this fun and delicious evening. Please RSVP to Silvia Rodriguez (908) 723-2354 by Sept 18 to reserve a space at the table!

Youth Group- Meets Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for all Mid-High and Senior-High youth. Join us for games, time with friends, and Bible study. Please contact Luke Harshman for more information.

Good Grief Group- Will meet via Zoom and in the Adult Education room Thursdays at 10 a.m.; Mary Williams, Coordinator. Please use the zoom link for meetings.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82430469084?pwd=eDlEaytzYkIWaTJTVXVIZDFINXJXZz09> Meeting ID: 824 3046 9084 Passcode: 151716

Peace Café- Thursdays and the first Sunday of each month a meal is served at First United Methodist Church to the hungry in downtown Clearwater. For more information contact Dan Johnson.

Chancel Choir Practice-Join Timothy Belk for this beautiful ministry of music Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the choir loft.

Sunday School- Begins at 9 a.m. Pastor Bob will lead an exploration of the Apostles Creed and what it means for us today. All are welcome!

Upcoming Ministries

Youth Ministry Spaghetti Luncheon- Join Luke and our youth for a Spaghetti Luncheon immediately following Worship on Sunday, September 24 at Trinity Presbyterian Church (2001 Rainbow Dr, Clearwater, FL 33765). Drive over to Trinity to hear memorable tales from the Youth Group's recent adventures as you dine on a meal specially prepared for you! A \$5 donation is recommended, and any further donations will go towards our trip to Rock the Universe in January.

Concerts at Peace Memorial 2023-2024- The concert season begins Sunday, October 8 at 3 p.m. Michael Klotz, viola and Grigorios Zamparas, piano present a classical program including a transcription of Mendelssohn's cello concerto.

Church Leadership

Session

2023
Don Gollhofer
Sharon Poulos
Anne Shaw

2024
Dan Johnson
Chris Lewis
Mark Pitchford

2025
Andy Burwell
Martha Espey
Keith Meyer

Deacons

2023
Roger Bivin
Silvia Rodriguez
Bob Valentine

2024
Jean Bennett
Sara Sanders
Sue Woodring

2025
Michael Blue
Lynn Peggs Nunez
Peggy Strickling