



Lake Murray
Presbyterian Church

OCTOBER 25, 2020

8:30 am

Prayer of Confession & Preparation: We seek too often Lord, only to please our selfish desires and not to please you. Turn our hearts toward you now, that we may have an undivided heart, that we may heed you.

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: and also with you (Honk!)

“As the Deer”

As the deer pants for water, so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.
You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.

“Gather Us In”

Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Prelude

Call to Worship: 2 Corinthians 5

Leader: For we walk by faith not by sight.

People: So we make it our goal to please Him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

All: For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each One may receive what is due him for the things done in the body whether good or bad. (Honk/Amen)

Invocation

Welcome and Concerns of the Church;

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12 (Read in Unison words on inside)

Response to Scripture reading:

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: “Pleasing God Pleases Us”.....Dr. J. Ben Sloan

—GIVE THANKS TO GOD: GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND—

❖ Affirmation of Faith: Brief Statement of Faith #3

We trust in God the Holy Spirit. Everywhere the giver and renewer of life. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come Lord Jesus.”

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory:

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.

“In My Life”

1 In my life, Lord,
be glorified; be glorified.
In my life, Lord,
be glorified today.

3 In your church, Lord,
be glorified; be glorified.
In your church, Lord,
be glorified today.

2 In our song, Lord,
be glorified; be glorified.
In our song, Lord,
be glorified today.

4 In your world, Lord,
be glorified; be glorified.
In your world, Lord,
be glorified today.

#542- God Be With you until we meet again

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again. (Honk!)

❖ *All are invited to stand.*

1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. It is God’s will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before. For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit. Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. And in fact, you do love all of God’s family throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Because of the surge of the coronavirus, please stay socially distanced or in your cars.

Ways to Give Mail your check to 2721 Dutch Fork Rd, Chapin, SC 29036 OR give online at www.lmpchurch.org OR text (803) 403-1069.

Sunday School is back! Come if you can/able at 9:30 at the church.

LMPC Youth: Middlers (7th and 8th grade) will meet 5pm-6pm this week!

Sr. Highs AND Confirmation (students AND mentors) will meet from 6:15-7:30pm!

There will be no JJs this week!

Operation Christmas Child: Have you packed an Operation Christmas Child shoebox? Supplies are available at the church.

FOOD BLESSING BOX MINISTRY– We are working with Oak Grove PCUSA to have a socially distanced way to give food to hungry people. We will fill the box rotating once a week with Oak Grove. Thanks Al Hernandez and Thurston Chavis.

Next week, November 1st is our "Kirkin O the Tartan" in celebration of our 45th anniversary and homecoming.

We will have a bagpiper and Tartans (not quite as many) processing in. Both worship services will be in the sanctuary and both will be livestreamed. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before you go to bed Saturday night. Also, please stop by the Narthex in the Sanctuary and pick up your 2020-2021 Stewardship Packet.

Helping with today’s worship:

Dr. J. Ben Sloan, Senior Pastor and Rev. Blaine Hill

Prayer Requests

Health workers, first responders, and essential workers; protection and healing of our land; Matt Wass, brother of *Cynthia Shepard; *Keith Wright; Marion Meetze; *Mary Goodwin; *Manita Craft; Betsy Dix; The family of *Bill Bigler; *John Ferguson; *Ryan Brown’s family upon the passing of his mother; *Cynthia Morrow; *Phil Trefsgar; *Shirley Kirby; *Nancy Shealy’s brother Rick Floyd; *Fred Yandle; *Mary Hoskins; Bernie Johnson, mother of *Mark Johnson; Joslyn Stinchcomb; Mike Jordan, friend of Debbie & Rick Pascal; Ann Summer; Ted Vaugh; *Ann Sullivan; *Jim Palassis; Joyce Hyatt; *Charles Blau; Valerie Ross; Gage Jeffcoat; Paul Yohn; *Allison Jasinski; *Jane Kirby; *Harmon Reed; *Josh Baxley; Jack Turner; *Beau Bonvillain; *Kristin Paschall; *Kathy Payne; *Jim Algar; *Charles Casebeer; Bill Blume; Larry Rudder; Jackson Diehl; *Erma Kaminer; *Marty Milam; *Tommy and Marcia Warren; Merle Norris; *Earl & *Loretta Guilford; *David Ayer; *Jane Branch; Jean Stancil; *Dick Wilkins; *Alyssa Mott; *Daniel White; friends and family members serving in the military *Dylan Meetze; Grant Frick; *Chase McCathern; *Drew McCathern; *Alex Shuler; (*members)

Please join us on Sunday, November 1st for our Kirkin O the Tartan service. Also, please stop by the Narthex in the Sanctuary and pick up your 2020-2021 Stewardship Packet.

October 18 General Fund Offering:	\$18,232
2020 Annual General Fund Budget:	\$1,174,000
Cumulative through October 18:	
Budget to date:	\$948,231
Actual receipts:	\$788,519
Actual vs Budget:	-\$159,712
Actual expenses:	\$685,457

Minister On-Call: If you have a pastoral emergency and the office is closed, please call Ben Sloan at 727.3476 or Blaine Hill at 422.0049. If you cannot reach the ministers, please contact the elder-on-call.
Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:30 pm