



First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

10 a.m.

September 6, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

Awesome In This Place

Ned Davies

Here in this house of the Great King
We've come together now to worship Him
This house is built on Christ our Rock
Cannot be shaken, cannot be shaken

God is awesome in this place
We sense His presence as we sing His praise
There is power here for miracles
To set the captives free and make the broken whole
God is awesome, He's so awesome
God is awesome in this place

I've found where I belong
I'm a living stone
In this house I will grow

There is power here for miracles
To set the captives free
And make the broken whole
God is awesome, He's so awesome
God is awesome, He's so awesome
God is awesome in this place

Way Maker

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You

You are here turning lives around
I worship You I worship You
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are

Even when I don't see it You're working
Even when I don't feel it You're working
You never stop You never stop working
You never stop You never stop working

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

See A Victory

Ben Fielding | Chris Brown | Jason Ingram | Steven Furtick

The weapon may be formed but it won't prosper
When the darkness falls it won't prevail
'Cause the God I serve knows only how to triumph
My God will never fail
My God will never fail

I'm gonna see a victory
I'm gonna see a victory
For the battle belongs to You Lord
I'm gonna see a victory
I'm gonna see a victory
For the battle belongs to You Lord

There's power in the mighty Name of Jesus
Every war He wages He will win
I'm not backing down from any giant
I know how this story ends
I know how this story ends

You take what the enemy meant for evil
And You turn it for good
You turn it for good

SERMON

Rev. Chris Handley

Journey to Love
Ephesians 3:14-21

SONG OF RESPONSE

Great Are You Lord

David Leonard | Jason Ingram | Leslie Jordan

You give life You are love You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
(REPEAT)

*BENEDICTION

This morning's worship is led by Rev. Chris Handley, Associate Pastor; Elder Jayne Boswell; and Mr. Keith Hamrick, Transitional Praise Team Leader.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Darryl Evans is on study leave; he will return to the pulpit September 13.

Session will meet Tuesday, Sept. 8, in the Lawson-Rain Chapel.

Farewell Cookout for Brock Page: In celebration of our friendship and thanksgiving for Brock Page's ministry among us, the session has authorized a love offering for Brock. Seminary is expensive, and seminary years are "good but lean" so I am sure he would be appreciative if you felt led to give. You can give online and select "Love Offering: Brock Page." If you give by Tuesday, we can present it to him on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 5:45 p.m. when we will have a farewell cookout for Brock outside at church. Brock's last day in the office will be Friday, Sept 4.

Interim Director of Youth and NextGen Ministries: The Lord is sending us Palmer Jones to be part of our staff team! Palmer started September 1 and will be with us this school year as our full-time "Interim Director of Youth and NextGen Ministries." If you are wondering about the slight change to the staff title, "NextGen" simply refers to "cradle to college." As such, Palmer will focus on two things: (1) ministering to the youth, and (2) helping us think through the children-to-youth program so that whole ministry is integrated and flowing. Naturally, he will be working on this with Darryl Evans, Susan Snow, the youth ministry team and the Discipleship Unit.

Marriage Night: Couples are invited to participate in the upcoming Marriage Night that will be held from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at First Presbyterian Church. Come dedicate time to focus on what God has for your marriage, while being in community with others that are struggling to balance it all too! We will join thousands of couples in churches across North America for Marriage Night. Learn from Les and Leslie Parrott, Matt and Lauren Chandler, Conway and Jada Edwards, and comedian Michael Jr. Registration information is forthcoming.

Family Fellowship Fun! Save the dates for fall fellowship:

September 16 - Concert on the steps of the church and picnic on the lawn

October 21 - Cookout & games

November 18 - Outdoor movie night

Women in Ministry encourages women to connect with our First Presbyterian community and join a Circle of Friends this year! Circle meetings will begin September 15; some will be face-to-face (following COVID-19 guidelines); others will be online or follow a blended format of face-to-face and online via Zoom. Circles will use the Bible study guide, *Living so that, Making Faith-filled Choices in the Midst of a Messy Life*, by Wendy Blight. If you have questions about circles and which one to join, please contact Jayne Boswell, 843-229-7790 or boswell.jayne@gmail.com.

Help reach out to our covenant partners: You are warmly invited to send a card to our covenant partners who are confined to retirement communities during this COVID-19 season. It is difficult to be isolated for so long and be unable to get about due to community quarantine guidelines. If you'd like to have the church mail a card(s) for you, please drop them off at the Welcome Center basket or give them to Teresa Stewart in the office. Teresa also has a list of the residents available. Thank you for your love and care.

Lifetouch Portraits: If you had your portrait taken with Lifetouch earlier this year and did not order prints, your free 8-by-10 portrait can be picked up in the church office. Contact Kim Brauss in the office if you have any questions: kbrauss@florencefirst.org or 843-662-2583.

Keenagers' luncheons: Keenagers leadership has canceled meetings indefinitely because of the challenges the coronavirus presents.

