Stewardship Season
October 20- November 17
Live Generously

Our theme for this year’s stewardship season is Live Generously.

We might ask ourselves, “What is generosity? How can I live generously?” According to Presbyterian pastor, William Enright, generosity is a practice; a learned character trait. As children, we learn to give by being encouraged to give. Teenagers who learn their parents’ philosophy of giving grow up to be more generous. If we’re lucky we learn when we’re young that generosity is more than money.

It has to do not only with sharing our treasure but with the way we use our talents and time to serve others, in acts of caring and compassion, in volunteering and building relationships. We also learn that in taking the risk to be generous, we thrive.

As we approach the season of stewardship and consider how we will serve and support our beloved church let’s look to our scripture for inspiration; “Take hold of the life that really is life” 1 Timothy 6:17-18.

Reminder: Our congregation has the opportunity to serve others on October 20, 9:30-10:45am, when we participate in Service Sunday in Pope Hall. Please plan to be present that day, to be with other FPC friends and to live out our stewardship theme by packing school and hygiene kits, and sanding and staining wood blocks for our own CDC. A light breakfast and other surprises are planned as well so put this special event on your calendar. If you would like to donate items for the school and hygiene kits please refer to the list below and place your items in the bins labeled Live Generously in the lobby…and thank you!

- Blue, black, red pens
- 24 pack of crayons
- Pencils
- Lined paper
- USBs
- Backpacks (new or gently used)
- small packs of tissues
- small packs of wet wipes
- travel size deodorant
- toothpaste and toothbrush (with cover)
- Band-Aids
- lip balm
- combs

Acts II Adult Education
9:45-10:45AM in Pope Hall

Today: We are pleased to welcome Dr. William P. Brown, William Marcellus McPheeters Professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary, who will lead a discussion on creation care—"Ecology and Apocalypse: Revelation Re-Imagined". He is a founding member of Earth Covenant Ministry, a grass-roots organization of Presbyterian churches in the Atlanta area, where Dr. Brown currently serves as an educator to churches interested in creation care and is the facilitator for the national meeting of Presbyterians for Earth Care. Dr. Brown will also preach at both services.

Weekday Studies & Ministries

Religion & Science: 1st/3rd Mon, 7-9pm, Pope Hall C
Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1st/3rd Tues, 9:30-11:30AM, Rendon Room
Environmental Ethics: Tues, Noon-1pm, Rendon Room
Fireside Chat with the Mystics: Tuesdays, 5-6pm, Rendon Room
Presbyterian Women: 2nd Wednesday, 10am, Rendon Room
Bible Study: Friday, 11:30AM-12:30, Rendon Room
Journaling as a Spiritual Practice: Last Friday, 11:30AM, Pope Hall C
Men’s Breakfast: 2nd Saturday, 8-9AM, Pope Hall
Spanish Bible Study: Saturday, 9-10AM, Volunteer Room
Circle of Friends: 2nd Saturday, 10am, member’s homes

Weekday Worship

Wednesday 7-7:30AM—Morning Prayer McFarland Chapel: contemplative, prayers, Book of Common Prayer

Wednesday 5:30-6PM—Celtic EvenSong in the Sanctuary: Celtic songs & liturgy, communion, weekly themes: 1st week—justice & peace, 2nd week—healing, 3rd week—creation care, 4th week—welcome; 5th week—commitment
A light supper is served after EvenSong.

Sunday Worship
September 29, 2019

8:30AM  MorningSong in Pope Hall
11:00AM  Worship Service in the Sanctuary

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Rev. Dr. Harry W. Eberts III, Pastor
Please stand, as you are able.

“The moment we decide to fulfill something, we can do anything.” **Greta Thunberg**, addressing Parliament of the United Kingdom, April 23, 2019

**GOD CALLS US**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE** *Toccata #8 from 2nd Book of Toccatas* by Girolamo Frescobaldi

›**CALL to WORSHIP** bold in unison

The world belongs to God,

**The earth and all its people.**

How good, how wonderful,

**To live together in unity.**

Love and faith come together,

**Justice and peace join hands.**

Open our lips, O God,

**And our mouths shall proclaim your praise**

›**HYMN 713**  *Touch the Earth Lightly*

**AFFIRMATION of FAITH** in unison

We believe that God creates all things,

renews all things, and celebrates all things.

We believe Earth is a sanctuary,

a sacred planet filled with God’s presence,

a home for us to share with all creatures.

We believe every creature joins us in praising God.

We see many suffer with Earth

because of human crimes against creation.

We believe that God became incarnate

as a part of Earth, Jesus Christ,

that he lived and breathed and spoke among us,

suffered and died on a cross,

for all human beings and for all creation.

We believe that the risen Jesus Christ fills the whole creation,

reconciling all things to God, renewing all things.

We believe the Spirit renews life in creation,

groans in empathy with every suffering creature,

and waits with us for the rebirth of the whole creation.

We believe that with Christ we will rise

and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation,

reconciled, restored, and renewed.

**RESPONSE HYMN 21**  *Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works* (verse 1)

**BAPTISM**

Oliver Williams, son of Ashley Serrao and Edward Williams

**ANTHEM**

*The Gift to Be Simple*

*Chancel Choir* arr. Bob Chilcott
Proverbs 30:18-19 and 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

The Youth and the Congregation exchange the following blessing:
In body, mind, and spirit, may you be well this day.
And may you be strong for the work of healing in the world.

MESSAGE

Stewards of God’s Mysteries

Rev. Dr. William P. Brown

HYMN 36

For the Fruit of All Creation

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

We pray for people and places, silently or aloud, and respond together:
May they know the deep peace of Christ.

HYMN 20

All Things Bright and Beautiful (refrain only)

OFFERING

No. 31, from 50 Élévations
by Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.

RESPONSE HYMN 21

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works (verse 2)

HYMN 21

May we welcome your gifts with thanksgiving, Loving God.
May we share your gifts with grace,
so others might be touched by your love,
healed by your touch,
and fed and nourished by your compassion
as well as the fruit of your creation.

In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

HYMN 752

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

HYMN 714

God of the Fertile Fields

POSTLUDE

Apparition de L’Eglise Eternelle
by Olivier Messiaen

PASSING of the PEACE

We welcome our visitors.

HYMN 714

God of the Fertile Fields

BLESSING

God Sends Us

WORSHIP COORDINATORS

GOD SENDS US

SERVING TODAY

Officiant: Rev. Dr. Harry Ebets III
Preacher: Rev. Dr. William P. Brown
Liturgist: Ed Maglisceau
Organist/Music Director: Linda Raney
Assistant Organist: David Solem
Assistant Choir Director: Travis Bregier
Associate Musician: David Beatty
Family Ministry: Jen Black

Worship & Music: Paul Vogel
Ushers: Penney Poole
Liturgists: Alice Tinkle
Liturgical Arts: Karin Lerew
Communion: Malissa Haslam
Barbara Ivy
TGIF Concert Series 11th Season, Friday at 5:30PM: David Solem, Assistant Organist at First Presbyterian, plays piano works of Barber and Chopin.

Back Pew Gallery—We look forward to your visit to our show Land, Sky, Water. Come and enjoy.

Calling all artists: “Collaborative Works”. Find a friend(s) and express your creativity as a team. All mediums and sizes accepted. We ask for one or two pieces ready for display. Art will be received on Sunday, October 6, 8:30-11AM. No late entries. Questions? Call Carol Falls 670.9250 or Barb Hutchison 982.0684. November’s show theme is “Doors, Windows, Mailboxes”. Start creating!

We are collecting donations for our sister Presbyterian Church in Sagua La Grande, Cuba. Special envelopes are in the pews. More information is available in the lobby both before and after the service.

Hiking Series: Aspen Vista Trail. Sunday, Oct. 6, 2PM, meet at the church and carpool. Come celebrate the beauty of fall colors and God’s creation on a moderate hike. Please wear good hiking shoes, a hat, and sun protection. Don’t forget to bring plenty of water. RSVP Jen Black: FamilyMinistryDirector@fpcsantafe.org

Habitat for Humanity Family Service Day, Saturday, Oct. 12, 8:15-noon, co-hosted by First Presbyterian Church and Lutheran Church of the Servant. Meet at CotS, 2481 Legacy Court (Rodeo Road east of Sam’s Club) and carpool to the work site. Join others as we help build a house for a family in need. Free childcare (under 16) at CotS (please arrive by 8:15) and BBQ lunch. For more info and to get involved email Jen Black: FamilyMinistryDirector@fpcsantafe.org

If you believe too many people have died as the result of gun violence, if you are grieving the gun violence death of a friend or a loved one, if you are working to end gun violence, the Interfaith Leadership Alliance of Santa Fe (ILA) invites you to join us on the third of each month for 33 Minutes of Memory. 33 Minutes of Memory is a somber and beautiful ritual of grief, remembering and recommitment. Those gathered stand in circles around white clothes laid upon the ground, as the names of victims of gun violence are read red rose petals are scattered on the white clothes. The ceremony concludes with an additional 2 minutes of silence for the (unnamed) young men who, persuaded by the rhetoric of hate, threw away their own lives when they took the lives of others. The ritual concludes with a promise to remember those who have been killed and to work towards the day when there are no new names to be read.

The next 33 Minutes of Memory will take place at noon on Thursday, October 3, outside of the First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe.

On November 3, 33 Minutes of Memory will take place at 12:15 in the Rose Garden at the intersection of Galisteo and Cordova Road.

Meet and Pray for Your Mission Co-Workers

Drs. Cynthia ad Les Morgan, Bangladesh, run village clinics and have served in hospitals in one of the poorest and most densely populated areas in the world.