

**First Presbyterian Church
Jazz Communion Service**

September 2, 2018

10:00 a.m.

*In reverence to God and respecting the musical prayers offered today,
please enter the sanctuary in silence and joy.*

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Music "Beware the Ides of March" (AKA "Presbybop") Carter

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship from Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord.

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

* Hymn 611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
The band will play an interlude after verses 1 and 2.

* Call to Confession

* Litany of Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.
(silent confession, to the music of the blues)

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

People: **We confess the hostility that turns nation against nation
and neighbor against neighbor.**

Cantor: Almighty God, forgive us; Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us.

People: **We confess our hunger for things that do not belong to us.**

Cantor: Holy Spirit, forgive us;

People: **We confess the greed that exploits human labor
and plunders the earth;**

Cantor: Forgive your flock this day; and help us walk your Way;
and make us righteous; this, O God we pray.

People: **We confess our slavery to habits and compulsions that
degrade the image of God within us;**

Cantor: Almighty God, forgive us; Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us.

People: **We confess our indifference to all who have no place to call
home.**

Cantor: Holy Spirit, forgive us;

People: **We confess the arrogance of presuming we are always right,
and our tendency to trust ourselves rather than God.**

Cantor: Forgive your flock this day; and help us walk your Way;
and make us righteous; this, O God we pray.

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Musical Response "All Thumbs" Carter

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Psalm 150 (OT, p. 583)

A Time with Children

Special Music "Dawn Shall Break Again" Carter

Second Lesson: Luke 10:25-37 (NT, p. 71)

Sermon: "It's Not the Same Old Song" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 600 "Amen, Amen"

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Pass the Plate" Carter

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution and Communion of the People

All are invited to eat the bread and drink the cup as they are served.

Communion Music

“A Bridge Between”

Carter

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 366

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

The band will play a brief interlude between the verses.

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude Music

“Be Thou My Vision”

“Welcome Home”

arr. Carter

Carter

*If you must leave before the music is finished,
please leave silently in respect for those who are remaining.*

* All who are able shall stand.

Welcome to our annual Jazz Communion. This is the 25th anniversary year of the Presbybop Quartet, formed following our 1993 jazz communion service. Now a consort of a dozen or so musicians, the band has traveled nationally to lead worship service and present concerts. They have been the “house band” for church conferences in Utah and Arkansas, the worship leaders for the PCUSA General Assembly meeting in Richmond and Pittsburgh, and the sanctified entertainment for people in Florida, Michigan, California, Montana, Indiana, and New Jersey. To date, their work has been documented in ten CDs and two DVDs. Thank you for coming today. Please join us for the reception immediately following downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Today's Worship Leaders

Al Hamme, saxophone Tony Marino, bass Tyler Dempsey, drums
Frank Jones, cantor Rev. Brent Eelman, liturgist Rev. Bill Carter, piano

The flowers this morning have been given by John Conklin to the glory of God in honor of our homebound members and friends and in loving memory of his wife, Johanna Conklin.



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Psalm 150

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to

him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."