



Jesus Visits Zacchaeus

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Service for the Lord's Day
Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

October 30, 2022

10:00 a.m.

Creator God, you have filled the world with beauty. Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him by whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Words of Welcome

Prelude

“Toccata”

Gaston Belier (1863-1938)

Call to Worship

God is our hiding place. Christ preserves us from trouble.

The Spirit surrounds us and keeps us safe.

Take refuge in the triune God,

to whom be all glory and honor this day!

* Hymn 624

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,

***we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
for we have done wrong.***

***We have lived for ourselves,
and apart from you.***

***We have turned from our neighbors,
and refused to bear the burdens of others.***

***We have ignored the pain of the world,
and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.***

***In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness,
that we may choose your will and obey your commandments;
through Jesus Christ our Savior.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response 447

“We Are Forgiven”

We are forgiven! We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 (OT, p. 871)

Psalter: Psalm 100 (Hymnal 385)

A Time with Children

Anthem

“If Ye Love Me”

Tallis

Second Lesson: Luke 19:1-10 (NT, p.82)

Sermon: "The Wee Little Thief?"

Rev. Carter

Series: Caricatures of the Kingdom

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 712

“As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand

of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Minute for Stewardship

Offering

Offertory

“Andante Tranquillo from Sonata III”

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Doxology 606

Prayers of the People and 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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 275

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Cwm Rhondda" arr. Paul Manz (1919 - 2009)

If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.

* All who are able shall stand.

We are grateful for the many ways that people support our church's ministry to the community and world. If you wish to contribute by cell phone, **scan here.**



This morning we are celebrating our pipe organ's birthday! The organ was built by M. P. Moeller Pipe Organ Company, Hagerstown, MD. The 20th anniversary bulletin notes that the pipe organ was installed in 1922 "by the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Wroe and MacDonald Heebner".



In 2000, the 9-rank instrument was enlarged with additional pipes and Walker digital stops and moved to its present location in the attic (behind the cross above the choir). The specifications can be located on the church website.

Today's prelude was written by a composer living and writing when the instrument was built and installed. The organist for the 20th anniversary chose Mendelssohn pieces so it seems fitting to include a work by Mendelssohn. The postlude is a homage to the people of this congregation who have lovingly maintained the instrument throughout its 100 years.

By Kay Ten Eyck, your organist

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor
Coordinator of Children
And Youth Ministries
Liturgist
Director of Music
Organist
Usher

Rev. William G. Carter

Jana Schillinger
Charles Pinches
Frank Jones
Kay Ten Eyck
John Conklin and Bill Farrell

Church Family Announcements

Our congregation worships God, equips God's people for ministry in the world, and serves God in ways that are faithful to the Gospel.

Thank you for joining us for Worship. We worship every Sunday in two ways!

- **Join us in person at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Tune in online** for our weekly service, which is broadcast live on [our video page on YouTube](#) and archived for later viewing on the same site.

Large-print bulletins are available at the rear of the sanctuary. Ask an usher for help.

The Nursery is open Sunday mornings from 9:40-11:10 a.m. for children ages 3 and younger in room 208. The nursery is staffed by Heather Lyons.

Tell us your prayer concerns: Prayer Request Cards are available in the pew racks. Pass them to the center aisle to be collected during the first hymn. Please pray for: Barbara, Hall, Barry, Shirley, Karen, Mike, Caleb, Jim, Sandy, Nancy, Ellen, Susannah, Janice, Kate, the Hares family, the Fritz family, Leonard, Janet.

Are you interested in joining this church? If yes, please let the church office know (570-586-6306 or office@fpccs.org).

Care packages for college students: We want to send care packages to our college and graduate students. Know of anybody who would enjoy receiving one? Contact Grace Farrell (glee1124@yahoo.com or 570-586-7174) who is coordinating the project for the Deacons. Be sure to include the student's address!

Plastic (grocery store) bags needed by My Brother's Keeper: MBK is now making plastic mats using clean, plastic grocery bags. It takes 600-700 bags to make a single 3' x 6' mat, so we need LOTS of them. Please bring your extra bags to Church; there is a tub in the Narthex for them. Thank you!!

Trunk or Treat is TODAY! 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

This afternoon you are invited to bring your children, grandchildren, neighbors, etc. to Trunk or Treat sponsored by The Deacons.

Candy will be plentiful! If you would like to stay and help with the event, please do. In recent years, as many as 300 children have visited. It will be a great day!



Can you help?

We are seeking volunteers to replenish our committees and assist with brief but important tasks around the church.

- Can you assist with serving meals at one of our funeral luncheons? Let our Deacons know.
- Interested in volunteering in the office on a regular weekday morning? Notify Nancy Owens.
- Can you serve on the Christian Education and Growth committee? Let Jana know.
- Could you serve on the Worship, Music, and Arts committee, or on the Arts planning team? Tell Jan Thyren or Robin Pinches of your interest.

Thanks for considering this invitation. A church like ours depends on volunteers!

An Afternoon of Chamber Music with The Beverley Trio

Sunday, November 6, 2022
4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time!



We welcome oboist Tom Heinze, cellist Gayle Klaber, and violist Harold Levin for an exciting program of instrumental chamber music. This entertaining and masterful trio will lift your spirits with their virtuosity.

This Week at a Glance

Today

- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online
- **11:15 a.m.**, Confirmation, Room 206
- **3 p.m.**, Trunk or Treat, Church parking lot

Tuesday, November 1

- **7 p.m.**, Mission and Justice, Room 206

Wednesday, November 2

- **10:30 a.m.**, Prayer and Share, Room 209
- **6 p.m.**, Adult Bible Study, Room 206
- **7 p.m.**, Adult Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
- **8 p.m.**, Bell Choir rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 3

- **7 p.m.**, Building and Grounds, Room 209
- **7 p.m.**, Christian Education, Room 206

Saturday, November 5

Sunday, November 6

Turn your clocks **BACK**.

- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online
- **11:15 a.m.**, Confirmation, Fellowship Hall
- **11:15 a.m.**, All Saints' Day Celebration, Fellowship Hall
- **4 p.m.**, An Afternoon of Chamber Music

Looking Ahead:

- Sunday, November 20, **4 p.m.**, All Church Recital, Sanctuary
- Sunday, December 4 — Advent Program (held after worship)
- Friday, December 9 — Parents' Night Out (5:30-8:30 p.m.)