

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 8, 2017 10:00 AM**

Tower Bells

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

The Gathering

(The Worship Service begins with the prelude. Let us silently prepare our hearts and allow others the same opportunity.)

Prelude Be Thou My Vision Arr. J. Carter

***Call To Worship (from Isaiah 43)**

One: Do not remember the former things, or consider things of old,

All: I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth.

One: I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

All: With joy and thanksgiving, let us worship God!

***Hymn "Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show" No. 481**

Prayer of Confession (*Please Be Seated*)

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control. In Christ we pray, amen.

Prayer of Confession (In Silence)

Hymn You Are The Lord Giver Of Mercy (See Insert)

The Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri (No. 579)**

***The Peace**

Leader: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

(Greet those about you, sharing signs of peace and reconciliation)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 43: 14-19 (Blue Bible p. 632; Black Bible p. 672)

Hymn "This Is the Day" *"This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made."*

A Time For Children "Jesus Loves Me" (No. 304) as children & leaders leave for Sunday School
Nursery is Available for young children

New Testament Lesson II Corinthians 5: 16-21 (Blue Bible p. 170; Black Bible p. 181)

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Sermon Title: "You – Sitting In The Pew Next To Me" by Ann Weems

***Hymn "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak" (verses 1-4) No. 426**

***Affirmation Of Faith**

We believe in the living God, who forms the past, present and future; who is the giver of gifts: the universe, our lives, and each new day.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's greatest gift to us, who teaches us, and sets us free to be ourselves in his light.

Sharing Christ's victory in life and death, we are able to live and die without fear.

We believe in the Holy Spirit of God, present with us now, and always, who can be

experienced in prayer, in forgiveness, in worship, in mission, in the fellowship of the Church, in humor, and in all that we do in life.

In all of life we know that God is with us. In this we believe and rejoice! Amen.

(Source unknown)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Moment for Stewardship

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory God Loves A Cheerful Giver

***Doxology (#592) and Prayer of Dedication**

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn** "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" **No. 155**

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude** Christians We have Met to Worship by W. Moore

*(Those who are able may stand.)

Liturgist: Susan Russell
Music Team: Kim Palermo-Bogardus and Mary Mraz
Ushers: Kathy Chagnon and Annette Ray
Greeters: The Ward Family

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL THIS MORNING are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Her Dad, Herman Hering and Cousin, Nancy Bangett by Roberta Hering.

For those worshipping with children under the age of 3, our downstairs Nursery is a clean, safe space and is staffed with a qualified and trained Nursery Care Giver. Ask an Usher or Greeter for instructions.

In Times Of illness or need, please inform the Church Staff. It is not safe to assume that they will hear of it any other way. Privacy laws make it difficult for us to "find you" in hospitals; in the event of a hospitalization, please give the information to Jan or Carol in the office (765-2597).

First Sunday for Food – please remember those in need by bringing non-perishable food to church with you on the First Sunday of each month.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY 11:00 AM Fellowship Time
MON., 5:30 PM Zumba meets in C. E. Building
6:30 PM Bell Rehearsals
7:00 PM Financial Peace
7:00 PM AA Meets in the 1836 Manse
7:00 PM NF Chorale Rehearsal
TUES. 10:00 AM Prayer Group meets in the 1836 Manse
12:30 PM AA Meets in the 1836 Manse
6:00 PM Tuesday Supper
7:00 PM NF Chorale Rehearsal
WED., 7:30 PM AA Meeting
THURS., 7:00 PM Book Club meets at the home of Patty Shuford
FRI., 6:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous
6:00 PM Church Officers & New Members Covered Dish Supper
SAT., 10:30 AM Women's AA Meeting
SUN., 9:00 PM Bible Study – Exodus 32: 1-14; Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23;
Phil. 4: 1-9; Matthew 22: 1-14

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next on October 15th.



Thank You for Your Generous Support!

The fundraising campaign for the Old Burial Ground is off to a good start. We are particularly grateful to the stalwarts among you who have supported our efforts year after year.

Thank you so much for your commitment.

That said, we need a big push to reach this year's fundraising goal. It's not too late. Last year more than a third of our donations came in after Columbus Day. Drop off your check in the Church office; put it in the collection plate; mail it to Box 787, Southold, or give through the Church's website. Just don't forget!

The Old Burying Ground is a precious part of our Church's heritage, going back to 1640. With your support, we've accomplished a lot in repairs and preservation – walk through the O.B.G., and you can't help notice. You should take great pride in what your gifts have made possible. Much work remains. Every dollar counts. Put your shoulder to the wheel and stay the course. Thank you again.

Interfaith Prayer Service for Las Vegas

Saint Agnes R.C. Church, Greenport, will host an Interfaith Prayer Service for the victims, the wounded, the First Responders and all who have been affected by the October 1 Massacre in Las Vegas this **Wednesday Evening, October 11, at 7 PM**. All in the Community are invited to join us in prayer as we pray for healing and for an end to violence!

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Southold! Our identity can be seen in our most recent vision statement: *“We rejoice in the variety of talents, experience, and concerns each individual brings to this congregation through the Holy Spirit. We will gain strength from this diversity as we strive to be nurturing, relevant, and vibrant disciples of Jesus Christ.”* If you would like more information about our church, please indicate this in the Attendance Registration. Rev. Kelley or one of the members of the Church Growth Committee will be glad to speak with you.

God Loves A Cheerful Giver

Chorus: *God loves a cheerful giver, give it all you've got.
He loves to hear you laughing when you're in an awkward spot.
When the odds add up against you, it's time to stop and sing:
“Praise God!” To praise him is a joyous thing.*

Peter always made a fuss, Peter was impetuous,
he knew hard times when he denied his Lord.
But hardly had he fallen when he got right up, began again.
Christ named him His successor as his reward. (Chorus)

Jonah was a gloomy sort, he always had a sad report,
he ran from God, he ran and he set sail.
His journey's end was quite abrupt, a fish came by and swallowed him up.
He spent three dark and dreary days inside the whale. (Chorus)

Holy Job was richly blessed, he lost it all but stood the test,
for Job was steadfast in his misery.
“God gives to me, He takes away, blessed be the name of God this day>
And he was doubly blessed for his fidelity. (Chorus)