

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

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JOB 13:15, ESV

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Holy God, We Praise Your Name Arranged by Anna Laura Page

The Cate Memorial Handbell Choir
Ms. Judy Doudoukjian, Director

CALL TO WORSHIP

+ HYMN 498 Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners! HYFRYDOL

+ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

+ CHILDREN’S HYMN 629
What a Friend We Have in Jesus (Stanzas 1 & 2) WHAT A FRIEND

CHILDREN’S SERMON Mr. Carter Moorer

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EVENING PRAYER Elder Wyman Bowers

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Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 88
(Pew Bible page 494, Children’s Bible page 634)

SERMON “Hope in Hardship” Rev. David Henderson

PRAYER

+ HYMN A Friend That Sticketh Closer Than a Brother BENTON

1. One there is, a - bove all o - thers, Well de - serves the name of friend;
2. Which of all our friends to save us, Could or would have shed their blood?
3. Could we bear from one an - o - ther, What he dai - ly bears from us?
4. Oh! for grace our hearts to sof - ten! Teach us, LORD, at length to love;

9 His is love be - yond a bro - ther's, Cost - ly, free, and knows no end:
But our Je - sus died to have us Rec - on - cil'd, in him to God:
Yet this glo - rious Friend and Bro - ther, Loves us tho' we treat him thus:
We, a - las! for - get too of - ten, What a Friend we have a - bove:

17 They who once his kind - ness prove, Find it ev - er - last - ing love!
This was bound - less love in - deed! Je - sus is a friend in need.
Tho' for good we ren - der ill, He ac - counts us brethren still.
But when home our souls are brought, We will love thee as we ought.

+ BENEDICTION

+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
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May the peace of God our heav’nly Father
And the grace of Christ the risen Son,
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Keep our hearts and minds within his love.
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POSTLUDE Variation on “Hyfrydol” Stephen Cleobury

Mr. Thomas Russell, organist

SERMON NOTES

“Hope in Hardship”
Psalm 88 | Rev. David Henderson

WORSHIP AT FIRST

Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.

The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask a deacon for a receiver.

Nurseries for children to the age of four are provided in the Education Building. A quiet room with a live video feed of the service is available in the Education Building, Room 113. There, mothers may attend to the needs of their children.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Jimmy Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 30, at the Fort Jackson Golf Club. The event includes a fellowship meal and a Gospel-centered message prior to the start of tournament play. This year, we are honored to welcome Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Director of First Presbyterian Church, who will share a personal testimony of God's work in his life. Registration and more information can be found at firstprescolumbia.org/sports.

Are you interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or looking to join? **The Inquirers Class** meets on Sunday and Wednesday. Class begins November 2. If you plan to attend, please register on the church app or website at firstprescolumbia.org/sundayschool.

Our next **First Friday Organ Concert** will be the "Decommissioning Recital" for the Casavant organ, held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7, in the Sanctuary. We will hear performances by members of our congregation in a special evening of celebration and thanksgiving where we commemorate the end of our current organ's service. A reception will follow in Jackson Hall.

FEATURED MINISTRY



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PASTORAL STAFF

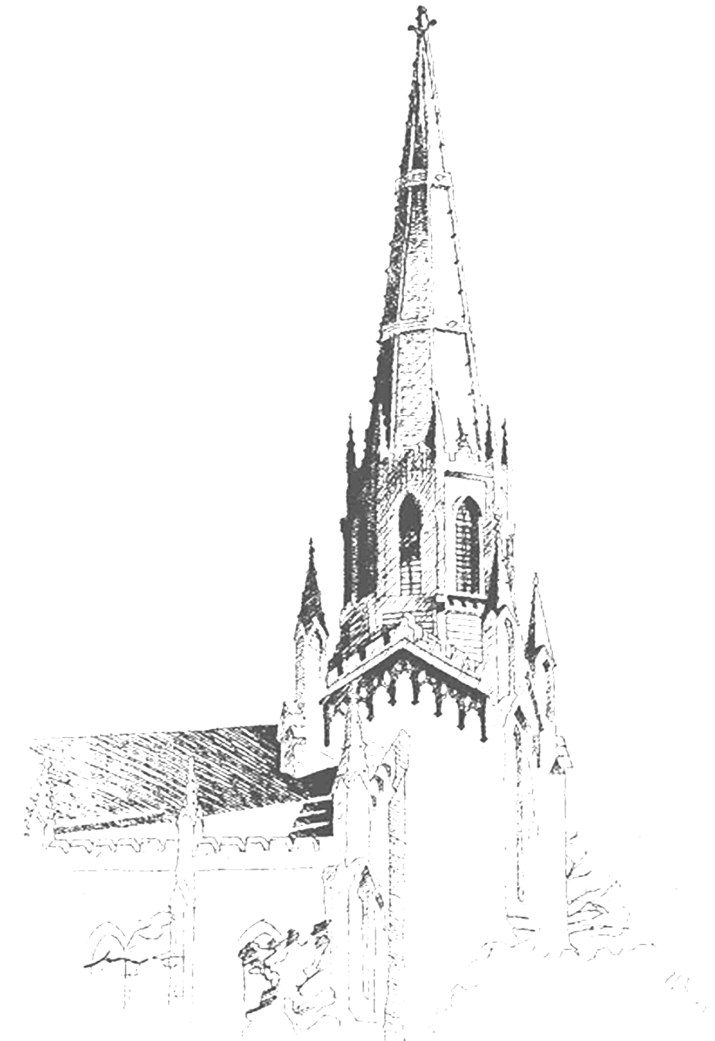
Dr. Neil C. Stewart, Senior Minister

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Rev. David Henderson, Associate Minister of Discipleship
Rev. Sean Henderson, Associate Minister of Missions
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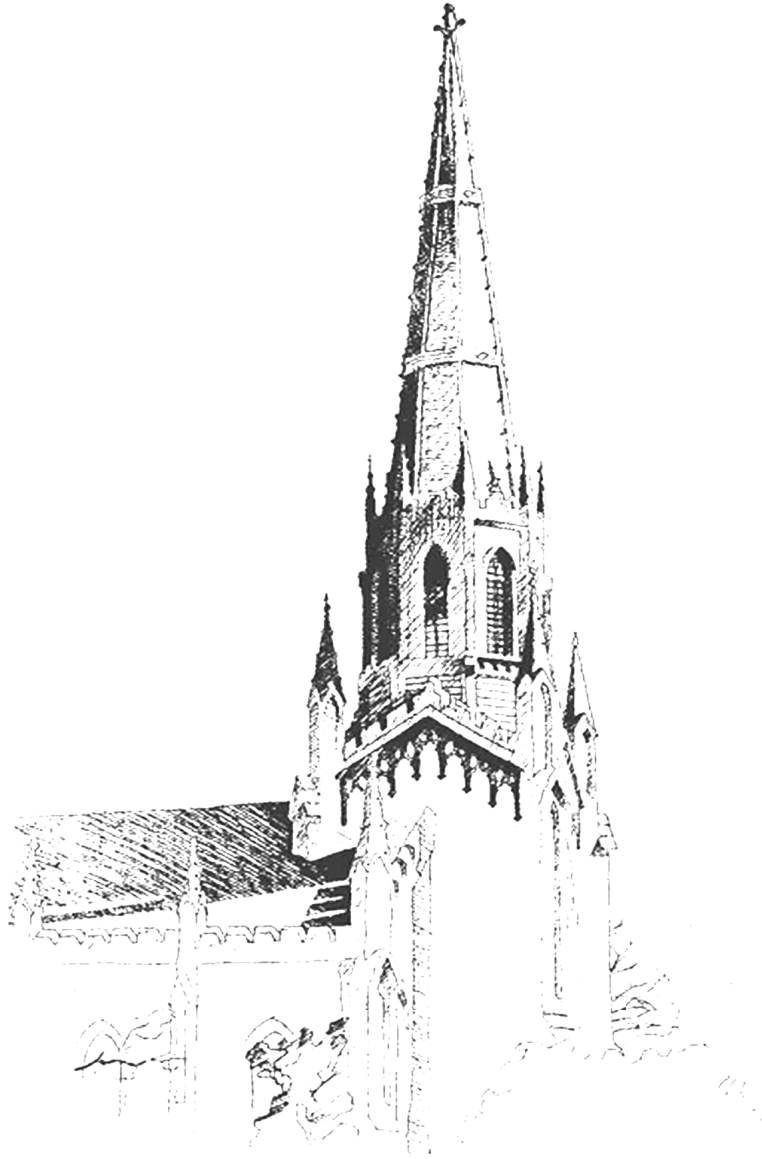
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HYFRYDOL

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!
Jesus! lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
He, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus! what a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
He, my pilot, hears my cry.

Jesus! I do now receive him,
More than all in him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am his, and he is mine.

+ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

+ CHILDREN'S HYMN 629

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (Stanzas 1 & 2)

WHAT A FRIEND

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful,
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
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Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake thee?
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In his arms he'll take and shield thee,
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BENTON

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Well deserves the name of friend;
His is love beyond a brother's,
Costly, free, and knows no end;
They who once his kindness prove,
Find it everlasting love!

Which of all our friends to save us,
Could or would have shed their blood?
But our Jesus died to have us
Reconciled in him to God;
This was boundless love indeed!
Jesus is a friend in need.

Could we bear from one another,
What he daily bears from us?
Yet this glorious Friend and Brother,
Loves us though we treat him thus;
Though for good we render ill,
He accounts us brethren still.

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