

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here.

October 15, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

**In the bigger scheme of things, the universe is not asking us
to do something, the universe is asking us to be something.
And that's a whole different thing.**

Lucille Clifton

**Break a vase, and the love that reassembles the fragments
is stronger than that love which took its symmetry
for granted when it was whole.**

Derek Wolcott, Nobel Prize winning Poet

**We have defined holiness through what we separate ourselves from
rather than what we give ourselves to. I am convinced the great tragedy
is not the sins that we commit, but the life that we fail to live.**

Erwin McManus, Seizing Your Divine Moment

**Whenever I meet a Buddhist leader, I meet a holy man.
Whenever I meet a Christian leader, I meet a manager.**
Japanese businessman quoted in Dining with the Devil by Os Guinness

Laughter is carbonated holiness.

Anne Lamott

**Living into the Joy of Being a Child of God
*Finding the Wholeness of Holiness***

1 John 3:1-6

First Presbyterian Church

1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Kennedy M. McGowan

Director of Music: Dr. Robert Remek

***Please stand if you are able.**

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WELCOME — Please date, fill out, and pass the red Friendship Register to your neighbor.

PRELUDE – *O Worship the King* arr. Michael Helman
The Handbell Choir

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN** – **O Worship the King, all Glorious Above!** **# 476**

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS - (IN UNISON) Adapted from Edward Pusey, 1800-1882

O our Savior! Of ourselves we cannot love you, cannot follow you, cannot become one with you, but you came down that we might love you, you ascended that we might follow you, you bound us close to you that we might be held fast to you. Since you have loved us, make us love you. Since you found us, when we were lost, be yourself the way, that we may find you and be found in you our only hope and our everlasting joy. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

A TIME OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER (#577)**

**Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

SPECIAL MUSIC – *The Solid Rock* arr. Douglas Wagner
The Handbell Choir

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

**O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:
We praise You for the radiance That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps, Shines on from age to age.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS – I John 3:1-6 (New Testament, Page 240 in pew Bible)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Kennedy M. McGowan

**Living into the Joy of Being a Child of God
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THIS WE BELIEVE (in unison) Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT – Christ is Alive!** #108

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in his wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of his glory and grace.

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (Debtors version) (front of Hymnal, pg. 16)

**Response - Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.**

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

*(Visitors, in the pew rack you will find a Guest Information card.
Please complete the card, then place it in the offering plate.)*

The anthem is a prayer. Please, no applause.

Offertory Anthem – A Leader’s Prayer Ken Benoit

***THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE – DOXOLOGY (#593)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

***OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison)** Adapted from the composer Brian Wren, b. 1936

**Great God, your love has called us here as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear, Though marred, dishonored, disobeyed.
May we come, with all our heart and mind, your call to hear, your love to
find. In Jesus' name, who out of love died for us, we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee** **# 464**

CHARGE AND BLESSING

Congregational Response:

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

***POSTLUDE – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee** arr. Page C. Long

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Lay Reader – Daniel Kinder

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**The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Helen Cohen
in honor of loved ones whose birthdays are in October.**

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WELCOME VISITORS!

Visitors, following worship, please join us on the patio for juice and coffee. It is our hope that you will encounter God as you worship with us. First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to families, peacemaking, and mission. There are educational offerings for all ages, as well as fellowship groups for members and friends of the church. All are welcome. For information, visit us at our web site at: fpcch.org

CHILD CARE for infants is provided in the nursery, located in the Narthex (Lobby) of the church. Children's worship kits are also available for younger children. Please ask an usher for assistance. Our children's Sunday school, Good News Kidz (GNK), gathers at 10am in the sanctuary (September through May). **FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**, in the narthex we have large print hymnals and a limited number of pew cushions available.

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OPPORTUNITIES

The bulletin announcements serve as reminders of church activities.

Please check our website: fpcoh.org
for the monthly newsletter and church calendar; and
our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/fpcoh/>
Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

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BOOK CLUB — Note: There is a change in the order of the first two books.

The Book Club will meet **Wednesday, October 18th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Chapel, with this year's first selection, *Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant. The Group meets six times per year on the third Wednesday of the month. Discussions are led by Ellen Yamrick, retired librarian. The selection for November 15th is *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker*, by Jennifer Chiaverini.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH —

Good News Kidz (GNK) — (Sunday school for children ages 4-10), 10:00 a.m., sanctuary

Boy Scout Troop 420, October 17th, 7:00 p.m., 2nd floor of Education Building

Cub Scout Pack 420, October 17th, 7:00 p.m., chapel

Learning Center chapel — October 18th, 10:30 a.m., sanctuary

Early Learning Center chapel — October 18th, 11:00 a.m., West Wing

FALL FESTIVAL — October 20th, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Pumpkin Patch

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP —

Breakfast and the Bible — Sundays, 9:00 – 9:45 a.m., chapel – A study focusing on the scripture of the day.

A Time of Prayer, in the chapel

Monday, October 16th: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Friday, October 20th: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

MEETINGS —

Board of Deacons, TODAY, following worship, Church office

Staff Meeting, October 16th, Noon, Church office

Team of Chairs, October 16th, 6:00 p.m. chapel

Session, October 16th, 7:00 p.m. chapel

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE — October 15th for the November 2017 issue

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW)—

The **PW Fall Luncheon** is Saturday, October 28th, 11:45 a.m. at Orangebrook Country Club. All ladies are welcome. Speaker: Stacy Adams, Hollywood Historical Society, "*from Sandspurs to Sportatorium, Recollections of Hollywood in the 1980's*". The cost is \$20, in advance. Following worship, please see Louise Hardenburg to purchase your ticket.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE —

Lay Reader training – TODAY, in the sanctuary, following worship.
Speak with Ellen Yamrick for information.

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LOOKING AHEAD.....

Scout Sunday – Sunday, October 29th, 10:00 a.m.

Share-A-Meal – Saturday, November 4th, 11:00 a.m.

hope4hollywood – Saturday, November 4th, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS – November 5th

Pumpkin Sunday – Sunday, November 5th, 10:00 a.m.

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City of Hope Cure Breast Cancer

October 15, 22

On these Sundays, church member Felicia Hart is receiving donations of pennies and checks (payable to The City of Hope).

A container, marked City of Hope, will be available.

Every penny counts for the cure.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 15

Breakfast and the Bible – Chapel 9:00 a.m.
Worship – Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building/Patio 10:00 a.m.
Lay Reader training – Sanctuary following worship
Board of Deacons – church office following worship
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Newsletter deadline

Monday, October 16

A Time of Prayer – Chapel 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Staff meeting – Church office Noon
Team of Chairs – Chapel 5:00 p.m.
Session – Chapel 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 17

Cub Scout Pack 420 - 2nd floor of Education Building 7:00 p.m.
Boy Scout Troop 420 - 2nd floor of Education Building 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 18

Learning Center Chapel - Sanctuary 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 19

Westminster Choir 5:15 p.m.
Westminster Ringers Bell Choir 6:30 p.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Friday, October 20

A Time of Prayer – Chapel 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fall Festival – Pumpkin Patch 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 21

Christ Jesus College and Seminary – Sanctuary & Chapel 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Our Lady of Hope Orthodox Catholic Church – Chapel 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 22

Breakfast and the Bible – Chapel 9:00 a.m.
Worship – Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building/Patio 10:00 a.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Youth Group – Starbucks on Youth's Circle 5:00 p.m.

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DROP BY FOR COFFEE OR TEA WITH KENNEDY THIS WEEK

Here are the unscheduled times this week where I am available for y'all to come by for a visit!

Sunday – 12 PM to 4 PM

(worship and Bible study take up the remainder of the day)

Monday – 10:30 to 11:30 and 2:00 to 4:00

(staff and Session take up the remaining time)

Tuesday – 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM and 1:30 to 3 PM

(Preschool walk-around, and Rotary take up the remaining time.)

Wednesday – 3 PM to 6:00 PM

(chapels, lunch and mtg. w. James Potts take up the remaining time)

Friday – 9:30 AM to 12 PM

(Aftercare chapel and sermon finalization take up the remaining time.)

Please try to call beforehand so I can put the kettle on, and to make sure that the schedule hasn't unexpectedly changed for a hospital visit or some other concern.

A WORD FROM KENNEDY

HOPE FOR HOLLYWOOD IS COMING, AND I HOPE THAT YOU'LL BE ONE OF THOSE THERE!

With all that is happening - from disastrous fires and storms to the awfulness of Las Vegas to a world reeling from extremism and brutality - it can be hard to have hope. But hope is exactly what the gospel gives: hope for the future, hope for every person on the planet, hope for a world made right. A group of churches, including our own, are coming together in three weeks to bring that hope to Hollywood.

On Saturday, November 4th, come out to Arts Park at Young Circle, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., for an evening of inspirational music, a talk by a great preacher, Fidel Gomez from Calvary Chapel, and a conversation with a panel of Hollywood pastors on what hope means to them. More importantly, please invite someone else, in fact, a lot of someones - those who have Christian faith and those who don't. We have two goals for this event. We hope that by coming together as one united faith community, we can strengthen the basis of hope for those who already believe in Christ. But more importantly, we want to open up a conversation with those who have not yet experienced the gospel, to invite them to explore the hope

that Christianity offers them. At the same time, we are also inviting them to join with us right now, no matter what they believe or don't believe about Jesus, to bring hope to Hollywood through the various mission efforts of churches here to the neighbors in our community.

In my time here in Hollywood, this is the first time that a group of churches have come together working to bring something like this about, and I'm so grateful that it has happened. After all, how many churches are there in Hollywood? The answer is one. It just meets in a bunch of different places. Part of this one church is coming together to celebrate that fact, to give witness to the One that unites us all in love, in mission, and in hope. So, mark your calendars, and join us, and please invite someone, in fact several someones to come with you. Above all, please be praying that God will touch lives in this event, that God will use it to bring real hope to the folks here in Hollywood and beyond.

YOU CAN BE PART OF SHARING YOUR SENSE OF GOD'S VISION FOR OUR CHURCH!

This Hope4Hollywood event on November 4th, actually fulfills a goal that we developed over a year ago for our church. Last year, at around this time, our elders began work on a three-year vision plan for our congregation and also for our Learning Centers. About 85% of the goals for 2017 have been fulfilled, with the remaining on target to be completed by the end of the year. This process has worked so well that we are making it an on-going method for moving our church's mission forward - and we want you to be part of that. If you see something that you would like to see our church do or get better at, some goal you sense God is calling us to accomplish, then please e-mail me at kennedym@fpcoh.org, and it will become part of Session's conversation over the next three months. If you are curious to see these three-year plans for yourself, e-mail me, too, and I will send them onto you. Once you see them, let me know what you think, what we got right, and what we missed. Let your elders know what God has been saying to you about what God desires for the future of this church family.