

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here.

May 27, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.



God Outside the Box

God the Silent One

1 Kings 19:11-18

First Presbyterian Church

1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240

Trinity Sunday

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May 27, 2018

Sanctuary - 10:00 A.M.

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

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WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION

PRELUDE – *America the Beautiful* arr. Tedd Smith

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN** – **The Church's One Foundation** **# 442**

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS Adapted from St. Anselm (1033-1109)

O Lord our God, grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart, so that desiring you, we may seek and find you; so finding you, may love you; so loving you, may hate those sins which separate us from you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose 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.**

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

ANTHEM – *Psalm 139* Allen Pote

SCRIPTURE READING – *1 Kings 19:11-18* (Old Testament, Page 326 in pew Bible)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Kennedy M. McGowan

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A SERVICE FOR THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISM Please see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.)*

Please, no applause

Offertory Anthem – Here I Am, Lord Dan Schutte/arr. Craig Courtney

***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 a prayer by Pseudo-Dionysius
5th/6th Century

**Lead us up beyond knowing and light, up to the farthest, highest peak of
mystic scripture where the mysteries of God’s word lie simple, absolute,
unchangeable in the brilliant darkness of hidden silence. In the name of
the One who meets us in Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN – Arise, Your Light Is Come!** # 411

***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 - An American Tribute** Robert J. Powell

II. A Prayer for the Protection of Our Armed Forces

V. The Promise of an International Resurrection

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web site at: fpcoh.org facebook.com/fpcoh/

Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

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Visitors, following worship, please join us on the patio for juice and coffee.

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Lay Reader – Carlos Fernandez

**The flowers in the sanctuary are given by
Ellen Yamrick in memory of loves ones.**

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WELCOME VISITORS!

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: fpcoh.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 lobby we have large print hymnals and a limited number of pew cushions available.

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: [facebook.com/fpcoh/](https://www.facebook.com/fpcoh/)
Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org**

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**The church and Learning Center offices will be closed tomorrow,
May 28th, for Memorial Day.**

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**A Congregational Meeting is Called for Sunday, June 3, 2018,
for the purpose of electing two elders to fill vacancies
in the Session Classes of 2019 and 2020.**

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH —

Good News Kidz (GNK) — (Sunday school for ages 4-10), 10:00 a.m., sanctuary
Boy Scout Troop 420, May 29th, 7:00 p.m., 2nd floor of Education Building

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP —

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

A Time of Prayer, in the chapel

Friday, June 1st: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, June 10th – Officer training (11:30 a.m. – 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

Bible study, worship, blog posting, audio editing and family time take up the day.

Monday

(The church is closed to observe Memorial Day, and honor those
who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom)

Tuesday – 10 AM to 11:30 AM and 2 to 4 PM

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

Wednesday – 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Friday – 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

(sermon preparation, and preschool prom take up the rest of the day.)

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.

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 27

- Breakfast and the Bible – Church Office 9:00 a.m.
- Worship – Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
- Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building 10:00 a.m.
- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Monday, May 28 – MEMORIAL DAY

Church and Learning Centers' offices closed

Tuesday, May 29

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

Thursday, May 31

- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Friday, June 1

- A Time of Prayer - Chapel 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Learning Center Prom

Saturday, June 2

- Christ Jesus College and Seminary – Sanctuary & Chapel 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.
- Share-A-Meal – Church Kitchen 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, June 3

- Breakfast and the Bible – Church Office 9:00 a.m.
- Worship – Communion - Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
- Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building 10:00 a.m.
- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

A WORD FROM KENNEDY

SPEAKING IN THE LANGUAGE OF LOVE

Last Sunday, we did something very cool. We heard the story of Pentecost in 11 different languages! Members of our church family each took a verse and shared it in languages that ranged from Spanish to Urdu, while we follow along in English on the screen above. Doing so reminded us how on the first Pentecost Sunday, God spoke to each person there in the languages they had learned at their mother's knee, the language that had first spoken love into their life.

The church has always been more faithful to God's call when we have followed the Spirit's lead and spoken in ways that reach people where they are. That has meant missionaries not only learning new languages, but new ways of living and thinking as they traveled the world to share the Good News of God's love. For the missionary pioneers of Wycliffe Bible Translators, it has meant living for decades in remote villages so that every tribe and tongue has the Bible in their own heart language. But it has also meant reaching people in other ways. Twenty-first century churches have adapted new styles of music and new designs for church buildings to reach folks far from God. In our ministry to our preschool, we use high energy, child-friendly music to reach these kids with God's love.

But beyond the languages we **hear**, Christians have used **visual** languages, too. Christians created stained glass windows (such as those gracing our sanctuary) so that people who could not read could learn the stories of the Bible. Today, Christians have done the same by creating mass market movies, or simply using videos in their worship and on their websites. Today we are doing the same as we add our first video to our website. In the future, we hope to video the story of every person who joins the church. That way we can speak to our neighbors in this powerful visual language.

In a more concrete way, we will be doing that, too, with an exciting new flag ministry. Our elders got the idea when we saw the Scottish flags Bart and Alice Carlisle put up on our church sign to advertise the Kirkin' O' The Tartans. So we thought: how could we communicate God's love all the year round with such flags? And we came up with a plan to put different types of flags to mark different occasions of significance in the life of our community. We are inaugurating this plan with a flag of special significance to a group of folks in South Florida who has often felt rejected by the church: the gay and lesbian community. In doing so, we want to communicate to this community a powerful message that here at First Presbyterian we believe God welcomes everyone. And, as next month is officially Gay Pride Month to signify the beginning of the Gay Civil Rights movement, in June we will fly the Rainbow Flag along with the American flag. Interestingly the idea of a rainbow flag has its origins in the Protestant Reformation, as the radical reformer Thomas Muntzer used it to signify the new thing God was doing in those days. In the future, we will add flags with our church and learning center logos, and we want your ideas, too. Let us know of flags that we could put up to celebrate and reach other groups in our community. We want to use whatever languages God gives us to share the transforming power of God's love with everyone in Hollywood and beyond!

**THANKS TO BART AND ALICE CARLISLE; STEVEN, CYNTHIA AND
MARY SILVESTRO; AND BARBARA BENOIT, WHO PUT ON AN
AMAZING PANCAKE BRUNCH LAST SUNDAY.
IT WAS SOOOOO GOOD!**

**Humanity is certainly stark mad. He cannot make a worm
and yet he will be making gods by the dozens.**

Montaigne, 1533-92

A comprehended God is no God at all.

Gerhard Tersteegen

The closer we are to God, the less we know about God.

Pseudo-Macarius, Homilies

**What is finally important is not that Christ is God-like,
but that God is Christ-like. God is like Christ.**

William Sloan Coffin

**The Father spoke one Word, which was his Son, and this Word he always
speaks in eternal silence, and in silence It must be heard by the soul.**

St. John of the Cross

**It is only when we silence the blaring sounds of our daily existence that
we can finally bear the whispers of truth that life reveals to us,
as it stands knocking on the doorsteps of our hearts.**

K.T. Jong

**I found I had less and less to say, until finally, I became silent,
and began to listen. I discovered in the silence, the voice of God.**

Soren Kierkegaard

**For it is God's will that we believe that we see him continually, though it seems
to us that the sight be only partial; and through this belief he wishes us always
to gain more grace, for God wishes to be seen, and he wishes to be sought, and
he wishes to be expected, and he wishes to be trusted.**

Julian of Norwich

**Neither is God bread, nor is God water, nor is God this light, nor is
He garment nor house...and what these things are, God is not, for
they are visible things...[but] if your hungry, God is bread to you; if
you thirst, He is water to you...if you are naked,
He is a garment of immortality to you.**

St. Augustine

A SERVICE FOR THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

RENUNCIATION AND AFFIRMATION

THIS WE BELIEVE - Apostles' Creed (Congregation reads lines shown in bold.)

Brothers and Sisters, what do we believe concerning God the Father?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Brothers and Sisters, what do we believe concerning God, the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Brothers and Sisters, what do we believe concerning God, the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE BLESSING AND ANOINTING

THE WELCOME

***THE SONG OF WELCOME – BE THOU MY VISION #339**

THE PEACE

POLO SHIRT WITH CHURCH LOGO

We are currently taking orders for Navy blue polo shirts with the church logo embroidered on them.

Cost: \$15, payable in advance

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING: June 10th

If you would like to purchase a shirt, please complete this form and return it to Lynn in the church office (First Presbyterian Church, 1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, FL 33020), or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday.

NAME _____

CONTACT INFO _____

MAN SIZE _____

WOMAN SIZE _____