

Let It Go (Mark 10:17-31)

Welcome!

We are so glad that you decided to share with us in worship today! Whether we are young or old, longtime worshipers or here for the first time, whether we come full of joy or confidence or doubts or sorrow, in this place, by the grace and mercy of God-in-Christ, we are family.

Feel at peace in how you express praise for the Lord! Whether quiet and reflective, clapping hands and stomping feet, shouts of praise and utterances to God, in this place, by the loving acceptance of Jesus, we are family. Please feel at home!

We hope to see you here again soon.

Anyone who is interested in joining this part of Christ's church should speak to the pastor or one of the elders.

If we can assist you - through prayer, a phone call or a listening ear - please let us know what help we may provide. Call the church: 540.342.0264, or speak to one of us after worship.

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.



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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 14, 2018

| Musician | Mr. Frederick Bolden |
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| Guest Musician | Mr. Rayfus Parham |
| Pastor | The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr. |

We Assemble in God's Name

Organ Prelude and Lighting of Candles Words from Scripture Chimes

* Preparation for Worship

from Psalms 115 & 118

Leader: Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be

the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.

People: The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine upon us.

Leader: You are my God and I will give you thanks;

People: You are my God, and I will exalt you.

ALL: Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.

* Gathering in Song

"This Little Light of Mine"

- 1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
- 2. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine
- 3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine

Call to Worship (unison)

Dear Lord, we have come together in faithful fellowship and joyful community. Silence all voices in our minds but your own. Help us to seek and to follow your will; join our prayers with one

another, so together we may glorify your name. Let us sing with loud voices, let us love with large hearts, let us hope with high expectations, let us worship with hallelujah praise, for you are great and worthy to be praised. Amen.

Greetings, Announcements, and Celebration of Visitors

* Passing of the Peace of Christ +

Pastor: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

ALL: Let us now share the peace of God with one another.

(Congregation greets one another, exchanging words of peace.)

Worship in Song

The Choir

Prayer Concerns

Invitation to Prayer (unison)

(Matthew 6)

Jesus said, "Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, what you shall wear.... Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom, and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." These words speak to us today as we try to live our lives, sometimes not knowing if we have done right or if we can live right. These words speak to us when we are hurting and feel as though we have no value to any one. These words speak to us when we feel isolated and afraid. These words lead us to seek the forgiveness, wholeness, and healing that can be found in the Lord.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Prayer Response

The Choir

We Proclaim God's Word

Scripture

Mark 10:17-31

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Special Music

The Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Let It Go"

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn of Commitment

"Here I Am, Lord"

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* An Affirmation of Faith

The 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 universal church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

* Offertory Prayer

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

* Choral Response

All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee.

We Go in God's Name

* Charge and Benediction The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

* We Carry Our Light Into the World

"What a Mighty God We Serve"

What a mighty God we serve! What a mighty God we serve!

Angels bow before Him; heaven and earth adore Him.

What a mighty God we serve!

*Those who are able may stand

+ Late worshipers seated



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is a trustworthy means by which you can help the victims of Hurricanes Florence & Michael here in the U.S., and of typhoons in Asia. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working with its area partners to assess the damage and deliver timely response actions.

To make a donation, you may send it through our offering plate, or <u>by phone</u>: 800-872-3283;

online: https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/102 or by mail: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Thank You Letter

Hello Mr. Williams,

This is a belated note of thanks for your words of tribute given during the celebration of life" for The Rev. Dr. Verie Bolden, Sr., my husband.

I appreciate the kindnesses shown me and my family by members of the church.

It was an honor for Dr. Bolden to have served the church, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian, as pastor many years ago.

Thank you again. Margie A. Bolden



Remember our Shut-Ins/Friends with a call, a card, a visit, your prayers

Mr. Bob Hale—Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center,
1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153

Mr. Jim Slaughter—1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017)

Ms. Shirley Calhoun—3087 Ordway Drive # J (24017)

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Announcements & Celebrations

Forming Faith Bible Study - Tuesdays at 6pm. Come and grow with us!

The Pastor's Office hours are by appointment—contact vernlee3@hotmail.com, or call the office—540.342.0264

The Choir meets as announced Come join the fellowship. New members are welcomed, young and old(er)!

Remember: No one should have to choose between paying rent and feeding their family. Bring a food offering to share with those who need our help.

Save the Date: Fall Bazaar November 3



Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (I Thess. 1: °2-

PRAYER CONCERNS

For everyone affected by the hurricanes; for emergency responders

For our nation and its leadership, for our state and local officials, and those elected to national office— for wisdom and compassion, for a spirit of cooperation; for a capacity to seek the greater good instead of personal gain; for families who are separated

For the leaders of other countries, and the efforts of all who seek to bring peace to the world—for North and South Korea; for Iran; for Israel/Palestine; for Syria; for The Congo

For our enemies, both personal and national, including terrorists For our pastor and his family; for our ministry together

For unity in the Church, cooperation among denominations, for people of other faiths and for those who have no faith

For all who mourn the deaths of loved ones and friends: for the Rogers and DuPree family; for victims of violence: for people in our own Roanoke & SW Virginia region; victims of mass shootings throughout the world; those battling wildfires and the families who have lost their homes and loved ones; survivors of hurricanes & floods and manmade accidents, & for those who work to help them rebuild their lives; for those suffering from famine and hunger

For those battling cancer & other health and life-challenging issues, for those dealing with depression, with addiction; for those recovering from illness or surgery: Carnis Poindexter and family; Priscilla Preston, Terry Campbell, Audra Williams, Ernestine Johnson, Pat Brown (Ruth's sister), Carolyn Coleman (cousin of Joyce & Fred), Rev. Dusty Fiedler, Anita Pendleton, The Roberson family, Ruth Hilton, Brenda Williams, Jackie Manns, Harold Robertson, Paul Witting (with Parkinson's); Robert Woodworth; health care workers and researchers; for the elderly

For our children and youth; for their teachers & school staff; for those in our neighborhood; for those who work with young people and seek to bring them to Christ and to nurture their faith in him

For our service men and women and their families

For those who seek employment, for the under-employed, for the homeless, for those who are in fear of losing their homes or their jobs; for those under stress at work and at home.