



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
301 Patton Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24016

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.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(2 Corinthians 13:14, NIV)



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Historic Past • Contemporary Presence • Exciting Future

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28, 2018

Musician..... Mr. Frederick Bolden
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 2 Corinthians 1 & 13*

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.

People: *God comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort
those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have
received from God.*

ALL: *Just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so
also through Christ our comfort overflows. The God of
love and peace will be with us all. Praise the Lord!*

*** Gathering in Song** *"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"* (insert)

Prayer 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 *"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"* The Choir

Prayer Concerns

Invitation to Prayer (unison)

(Philippians 4:4-8)

"Rejoice in the Lord always! Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." 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. Let us pray.

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

"Thank You, Lord"

(Traditional)

1. Thank You, Lord, thank You Lord, thank You Lord,
I just want to thank You, Lord.
2. Been so good, been so good, been so good,
I just want to thank You Lord.

We Proclaim God's Word

Scripture Job 2: 11-13, 42: 10 pp. 614 & 646
Special Music *"We're Crossing Over"* The Choir
Prayer for Illumination
Sermon: The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn of Commitment *"I Love to Tell the Story"* # 297

* 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.

* **Gloria Patri** *"Glory Be to the Father"* # 623

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



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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

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Today is Friends & Family Sunday!

*Please stay for our monthly potluck lunch in the fellowship hall
after morning worship.*

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18)



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

Mr. Bob Hale—Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center 556-6680
1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153
Mr. Jim Slaughter—1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017) 366-0391
Ms. Shirley Calhoun—3087 Ordway Drive # J (24017) 362-0617
Ms. Carolyn Coleman—7505 Julia Terrace, Derwood, MD 20855

Announcements & Celebrations



*Fall Bazaar to Support our Youth Ministry
- Saturday, November 3*

Next Sunday: *Celebration of Holy Communion & monthly
hunger offering* to assist a neighboring family

*Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on
Saturday night or you will arrive early!*



*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.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- For our nation and its leadership, *for the upcoming elections*:** 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 responsible leaders
- For immigrants seeking asylum or a better life—**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 foreign and domestic 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 victims of violence: the ***synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh***; *for people in our own Roanoke & SW Virginia region*; victims of mass ***shootings*** throughout the world. *For those battling wildfires and families who have lost their homes and loved ones; survivors of hurricanes & floods* and manmade accidents, for first responders and 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.**
- For broken relationships**