

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

20 OCTOBER 2019

10:30 A.M.



“I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands;
you need to be able to throw something back.” Maya Angelou

Helpful Information for Visitors and Guests

*We are grateful for your presence and invite you to
participate in the worship, study, fellowship, and service of this congregation.*

Welcome Cards — Please fill out a Welcome Card so that we can say “thank you” for joining us in worship. Place your completed card in the offering plate.

Nursery Care is available for infants through six years old (or at the guardian’s discretion) during worship. Children are welcome in worship as well. Our nursery care is on the second floor of Backus House. Backus House is to the immediate right, as you exit the sanctuary onto Madison Street. Please use the courtyard door to drop off and collect your children as the Madison Street door of Backus House will be locked.

Adult Forum Join us at 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. in Backus House for a rich exploration of biblical and theological texts led by our pastor.

Multiage Education At 9:15 a.m., we offer a multiage children’s program on the second floor of Backus House for children ranging from 6 to 12 years old. Nursery for younger children is also available at the same time. During the worship hour, Backus House is accessible through the courtyard. The Madison Avenue entrance will be locked. Please use the courtyard door to drop off and collect your children. Thank you.

Youth Choir — Rehearsal is each Sunday from 12:00 p.m. – 12:40 p.m. in the Choir Room. Contact Nick Dogas at NDogas@firstfranklin.org.

Sanctuary Choir If you love to sing, you are invited to participate in this important ministry at First & Franklin. The Sanctuary Choir sings September through May, and rehearses each Thursday from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Please contact Jason Kissel at jkissel@firstfranklin.org.

Prayer Request Cards — You are invited to write on a Prayer Request Card the name of those who are sick or in need of intercessory prayer. You may also use the card to express your gratitude. Prayer Request Cards are located in the pew racks. Following the sermon, there will be a moment for prayerful reflection. Please walk your prayers to the front of the church and place in the wicker baskets. If you prefer, simply raise your hand and an usher will walk it to the front of the church for you. The pastor will share your prayers as part of our worship service.

Restrooms — a ground level restroom is located on the right side of the narthex, as you enter the church. Restrooms are also located on the second floor of Reid Chapel near the choir room.

Parking — in addition to street parking on Sunday morning, you may choose to park in the church's parking lot off of Howard Street. Drive past the church at 210 West Madison to Howard; turn right onto Howard and make the immediate second right into the parking lot. Parking is available in the church parking lot until 2:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Time of Fellowship — please join us immediately after service for a time of fellowship and light refreshments in Reid Chapel, accessed through the wooden doors to the left and right of the pulpit. Please help us keep the Sanctuary clean by eating and drinking in Reid Chapel.

First & Franklin Campus Security — We want to ensure the safety and security of our gatherings as a community. The Baltimore Police Department has issued guidance to houses of worship giving us wide latitude to call 911 in the event of a concern. Day to day, George Meagher, our Sexton, provides security for the campus and during church services. Nevertheless, we depend on everyone being attuned to concerns. If you see something, say something. Please report concerns to Church Sexton George Meagher (443 257 3402) and or an officer of the church (ushers, liturgists, pastor).

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THE PEOPLE GATHER

Welcome to First & Franklin Presbyterian Church.

If you are a guest or visitor this morning, our ushers are available to assist you.

Please consider joining us for fellowship following worship this morning.

PRELUDE

Variations on the Hymn Tune *Lasst uns erfreuen*
(Hymn 229)

Denis Bédard
(b. 1950)

GREETING

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

All: And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

GATHERING HYMN 229

From All That Dwell Below the Skies
ERFREUEN

LASST UNS

please be seated for

CALL TO CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence is kept after each petition.

For failing to love others as you have loved us . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

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For plundering the earth and abusing the planet . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

For losing heart and abandoning hope . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

For all the ways we turn from you . . .

God of grace, forgive us.

**We offer our prayers in the name of the One who saves us,
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

KYRIE 565 *sung by all*

John Weaver

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: Hear the good news!

Hope does not disappoint us,

for God's love has been poured into our hearts through the

Holy Spirit given to us in baptism.

Believe this good news and give thanks: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God.

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you

please remain standing for

SUNG RESPONSE 229 *stanza 3*

LASST UNS ERFRRUEN

Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;

Eternal truth attends Thy Word:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,

Till suns rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Children ages infant to 5 years may leave to go to the nursery. Older children may go to the nursery at the discretion of their parents/guardians. An usher is available to assist you.

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**O God,
light of the minds that know you,
life of the souls that love you,
strength of the thoughts that seek you:
Help us so to know you,
that we may truly love you,
so to love you
that we may fully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 119:97-104

Pages 568-569

ANTHEM

Pilgrims' Hymn

Stephen Paulus
(1949-2014)

Even before we call on Thy name
To ask Thee, O Lord,
When we seek for the words to glorify Thee,
Thou hearest our prayer;
Unceasing love, O unceasing love,
Surpassing all we know.
Glory to the Father,
and to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.
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Even with darkness sealing us in,
We breathe Thy name,
And through all the days that follow so fast,
We trust in Thee;
Endless Thy grace, O endless Thy grace,
Beyond all mortal dream.
Both now and forever,
And unto ages and ages,
Amen

Michael Dennis Browne

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 31:27-34

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One: This is the word of faith that we proclaim.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Becoming an Organ Donor

Rev. Rob Hoch

Following the sermon, we will observe a few moments of silence for prayerful reflection. You are invited during this time to write out your prayers of joy and concern for the Prayers of the People. Please walk these prayers to the Lord's Table and place them in one of the baskets during this period. If you would prefer to remain seated, please signal one of our ushers by raising your hand and an usher will bring your prayer to the Lord's Table.

HYMN OF RESPONSE 341

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

ASSURANCE

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

After each prayer of intercession:

L: God of grace,

P: **hear our prayer.**

After prayers thanksgiving:

L: Let all God's people say,

P: **to God be the glory**

PURPLE RIBBON LIST

10/10/2019	Antonio Modica	24	Male	Unknown
10/12/2019	James Thompson	25	Male	Unknown
10/12/2019	Deontae Taylor	20	Male	Unknown
10/12/2019	Antwan Conley	46	Male	Unknown
10/13/2019	Franklin Ausby	22	Male	Unknown
10/13/2019	Dauron Scott	17	Male	Unknown

Each ribbon represents a life lost to homicide in Baltimore City. The candles signify our hope for peace and reconciliation. The lit candles serve a twofold purpose: first, to remind us to pray for the perpetrators of these acts of violence; and, second, to remind us of our calling to challenge the systemic injustices of our time.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING OF LIFE AND SUBSTANCE

AT THE OFFERTORY

Be Still and Know That I Am God

Michael Bedford
(b. 1949)

Intergenerational Youth Choir

Be still and know that I am God.
I will be exalted in the earth.
I am always with you.
I will be your strength.

please stand for

DOXOLOGY 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Phil Adams

GO IN GOD'S NAME

please remain standing for

SENDING HYMN 450

O Day of Peace

JERUSALEM

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

March (from *Three Pieces*)

Nicholas Chaveaux
(1904-1995)

It is the custom of this congregation to remain in the sanctuary for the postlude.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Rob Hoch, Ph. D., *Pastor*

John Boyd, *Liturgist*

Jason Kissel, DMA, *Minister of Music & Organist*

The First & Franklin Sanctuary Choir

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**Peacemaking,** *Fellowship Refreshments*

*Pastor Rob's schedule runs from Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(not including Sunday). To meet with Rob, please set up an appointment.*

### THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

|                |                     |                    |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Sarah Buskirk  | Michael Johnson     | Meredith Piplani   |
| Mark Corser    | Donald Juedes       | Doug Savin         |
| Ken Davies     | Marcus Kim          | Betty Schroll      |
| Nicholas Dogas | Michael Manganiello | Marianne Shick     |
| Jeremy Earnest | Savannah McElhaney  | Sandra Smith       |
| Jim Harvey     | John McLucas        | Jan Trammell-Savin |
| Becca Hollaway | Lisa McNulty        | Randy Veale        |
| Grace Hughes   | Laura Oldham        | Chris Wallace      |

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Jason Kissel, *conductor* | Paula Crews, *librarian* | Jim Harvey, *librarian*

### THE YOUTH CHOIR

|                 |                |                           |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Nonso Anaedozie | Gabriel Hoch   | Evan Piplani Smith        |
| Gwen Hoch       | Iris Hoch      | Meredith Piplani Smith    |
| Imogen Hoch     | Marianne Shick | Tavian Shamar-Lee Stewart |

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Nick Dogas, *conductor*

**STAFF**

Rev. Robert Hoch, Ph.D., *Pastor*  
Jason Kissel, DMA, *Minister of Music & Organist*  
Position Open, *Parish Business Administrator*  
Wanda Morgan, *Office Manager/Wedding Coordinator*  
Paula Crews, *Office Assistant*  
Nick Dogas, MM, *Associate for Youth Music Ministry*  
George Meagher, *Sexton*  
Taylor Brooks, *Audio Engineer*  
Deborah McCrimmon, *Director of Christian Arts and Education*  
LaShonda Edmonds and Jewel Caldwell, *Nursery*

**PARISH ASSOCIATES**

Rev. Susan Haugh  
Rev. Jack Hodges  
Rev. Jan Trammell-Savin, D.Min.

**SESSION**

| <u>Class of 2020</u> | <u>Class of 2021</u>                 | <u>Class of 2022</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Sarah Lloyd          | Laurel Oldach                        | Sonce Reese          |
| John Boyd            | Jim Schroll, <i>Clerk of Session</i> | Allie Pyan           |
| Michael Johnson      | Scot Spencer                         | Beth Seeley          |
| Moderator: Rob Hoch  |                                      |                      |

**DEACONS**

|                 |              |                |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Muddassar Iqbal | Nusrat David | Martha Armenti |
|                 | Jeff Mace    | Taylor Brooks  |



Thank you for helping us to recycle this bulletin! Please take it with you, or deposit it in one of the recycling bins located in Reid Chapel or the Narthex.

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

### **ADULT FORUM: CrossCurrents**

The Adult Forum will meet around topics that "intersect" with our lives as people of faith. The link to the article for discussion was included in the Weekly Newsletter. We meet in Backus House, first floor, at 9:15 a.m.

### **OCTOBER PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS CLASS**

Please join us for a New Member's class beginning October 13th at 9:15 a.m., our Sunday morning education hour. Our class will go for three Sundays, the 13th, 20th, and the 27th, with each class lasting about an hour. We will be meeting in the choir room on the second floor of Reid Chapel.

Over the course of our time together, we will talk about our stories, how we came to be here, where we are at in our journey, and why we think First & Franklin feels like it could be our faith home. This is a three part class, part 1, getting acquainted; part 2, who we are as a church, beliefs, connections, history, and personality; part 3, getting connected (how you can participate in the life of the church through volunteering, serving in a ministry area of one of our committees, pledging in terms of wealth and time). To join the church, you don't have to make all of the meetings, but you are encouraged to make as many of the classes as possible.

Please let Wanda Morgan, our office manager, know if you will be attending ([information@firstfranklin.org](mailto:information@firstfranklin.org) or 410-728-5545) .

### **ALL SAINTS' DAY**

First & Franklin will recognize All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 3, 2019. During worship, we will remember our loved ones who have passed this year. If you would like your precious loved ones to be acknowledged, please send in their names to Wanda Morgan in the church office at [information@firstfranklin.org](mailto:information@firstfranklin.org). **The deadline for submittal is October 28, 2019.**

### **ART UNDER THE SPIRE – HAMID LAGDER**

We invite you to enjoy the art on display in Reid Chapel currently featuring Hamid Lagder, noted Washington D. C. artist. All pieces on display are available for sale.

## **BROWN BAG SUPPLIES NEEDED**

We are in need of protein bars (10 grams of protein each or more) and packaged fruit to include in our brown bags. Any contributions to help with this effort would be greatly appreciated.

## **THE ARTS AT FIRST & FRANKLIN**

If you are interested in connecting with others who enjoy working in the arts ministry, kindly let us know! For information about The Spire Series, First & Franklin's concert series, please contact Beth Seeley at [bseeley1@verizon.net](mailto:bseeley1@verizon.net). To learn about Art Under the Spire, our visual art gallery, please contact Jean Trout at [ggtia@comcast.net](mailto:ggtia@comcast.net).

## **THE SPIRE SERIES 2019-2020 SEASON**

We are wildly excited about our 10th Anniversary season of The Spire Series. Our beloved Candlelight Choral Concert in December (our 19th year) helps us ring in the start of the holiday season. In 2020, we will showcase a Double Choir with The Baltimore Choral Arts Chamber Singers and the First & Franklin Sanctuary Choir that is not to be missed! Always dedicated to supporting the performing artists in our local area, The Spire Series will welcome three of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's most extraordinary musicians joined by pianist Daniel Pesca for a sublime evening that will include Gabriel Faure's Piano Quartet No. 2. Finally, to wrap up the season, we will host the 4th Annual Baltimore Piano Marathon in May, 2020. Patron Subscriptions and individual tickets are on sale now through our website! Be sure to click on our Event links on Facebook and share the news.

## **ISRAEL/PALESTINE MISSION NETWORK OF THE PCUSA**

You're Invited! 2019 Annual Meeting Israel/Palestine Mission Network of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The meeting will begin on Thursday, November 7th at 4pm and conclude at noon on Saturday, November 9th. The meeting will be held here at the First & Franklin Presbyterian Church. The IPMN encourages congregations and presbytery mission committees, task groups and other entities, toward specific mission goals that will create currents of wider and deeper involvement with Israel and Palestine. To find out more information and to register, please click on the link in the Weekly Newsletter.

## **SCHEDULING CHURCH EVENTS**

If you are planning a church meeting or event that will take place in either Reid Chapel or Backus House, please make sure to notify Wanda in the church office so that she can check the calendar to make sure your date is available and to obtain the Event Setup Form. Our Sexton, George, needs to prepare for your meeting/event.

## CONGREGATION GIVING AND ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER:

|              |    |            |
|--------------|----|------------|
| September 22 | 72 | \$6,865.00 |
| September 29 | 67 | \$1,707.96 |
| October 6    | 79 | \$4,502.00 |
| October 13   | 82 | \$4,750.00 |

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Every week, we need volunteers to serve as ushers, liturgists and fellowship hosts. Communion bread contributors are needed monthly on the first Sunday. As you look down the list, you will see that we have plentiful opportunities and a number of vacancies.

## LITURGISTS

|        |                         |
|--------|-------------------------|
| Oct 27 | <i>Haswell Franklin</i> |
| Nov 3  | <i>Open</i>             |
| Nov 10 | <i>Open</i>             |

## USHERS (We need two ushers each week)

|        |                |                |
|--------|----------------|----------------|
| Oct 27 | 1. <i>Open</i> | 2. <i>Open</i> |
| Nov 3  | 1. <i>Open</i> | 2. <i>Open</i> |
| Nov 10 | 1. <i>Open</i> | 2. <i>Open</i> |

## FELLOWSHIP REFRESHMENTS

|        |             |
|--------|-------------|
| Oct 27 | <i>Open</i> |
| Nov 3  | <i>Open</i> |
| Nov 10 | <i>Open</i> |

## COMMUNION BREAD

|       |                     |
|-------|---------------------|
| Nov 3 | <i>Mike Johnson</i> |
| Dec 1 | <i>Beth Seeley</i>  |
| Jan 5 | <i>Open</i>         |

## COMMUNION SERVERS

We need two ordained members (e.g. teaching elders, ruling elders, or deacons; active or inactive) to serve communion on the first Sunday each month or during special occasions.

|       |                         |                        |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Nov 3 | 1. <i>Mike Johnson</i>  | 2. <i>Open</i>         |
| Dec 1 | 1. <i>Laurel Oldach</i> | 2. <i>Mike Johnson</i> |
| Jan 5 | 1. <i>Scot Spencer</i>  | 2. <i>Open</i>         |

## FLOWERS

|        |                                   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| Oct 27 | <i>Open</i>                       |
| Nov 3  | <i>John McLucas</i>               |
| Nov 10 | <i>Sam Quizz &amp; Jim Morgan</i> |

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Prayers of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving for the Physical Therapy that helped Becca Hollaway have relief from pain.

Thanksgiving for Dave Campbell, the Hollaway's son-in-law. He got a job!

Joy for the baptism of Onyeka's son and for the new members class. Prayers for the continuing growth of our church. John McLucas

Thanksgiving for the love and fellowship between the partner churches in Cuba and the U.S.

Prayers of joy for Eliud Kipchoge who became the first person to run a sub-2 hour marathon.

Thanksgiving for Genevieve Jules' granddaughter born last week. Chris Iosso, visitor

### Prayers of Intercession

Prayers for Jim Schneider who is facing health concerns.

Madge Franklin (prayers for healing and comfort)

Prayers for my mother who has early onset dementia.

Prayers of quick healing for Susie Lloyd who broke her foot a few weeks ago. Sarah Lloyd

Prayers for family and friends of Connie Gilroy who died the morning of September 26<sup>th</sup>. Paula Crews

Prayers for the Reynolds family. George Reynolds is in hospice. Dave & Connie Fischel

Prayers for Ali and others hit by addiction and loneliness.

Prayers for Jeff Mace and family on the recent passing of his only sister, Jeanette.

Prayers for Allan Starkey who is starting treatment for Lymphoma.

Prayers for Anne Silbermann who is facing health concerns.

Prayers for Joshua Brown who was murdered. He was a witness in the killing of Botham Jean by a Dallas police officer.

Prayers for all victims of Rape in the world.

Prayers of celebration for the life of James Ellwood Lane who died last week.

A prayer for the people of Cuba as they struggle with the effects of the US Embargo. Access to gasoline is limited, making transportation expensive, closing universities, affecting agriculture, and causing fear and hardships.

Prayers for a more tolerant and peaceful relation between the countries of Cuba and the USA

A prayer for the courage to raise our voices and do everything in our power to combat climate change – in both individual practices and in advocacy for peace among future generations and for the survival of the earth.

Prayers for John Hafer who died this past June (my best friend growing up).  
Haswell Franklin

Prayers for Susan and Meghan Zuhowski on the death of Susan's brother and Meghan's father.

Marianne Shick

Prayers for Ged Edward struggling with addiction.

Amy (his sister)

Upon submission, names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks.

If you wish to extend, please contact the office at [information@firstfranklin.org](mailto:information@firstfranklin.org).