WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at www.firstpresbeaufort.org for sermons, news, and current events. Members and visitors, please sign the attendance pad located on the aisle end of each pew. Your presence is very important to us!

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN are given in thanksgiving of our faithful volunteers.

ONE ROSE TODAY is in honor of Evelyn Rose Rooney, great granddaughter of Gam Foster and granddaughter of Bill and Martha Harvey born on 2/18/20.

2020 FLOWER CHART: The flower chart is available in the Narthex. If you would like to provide flowers for the Sunday morning worship service, please write your name and phone number next to the appropriate date. You may provide your own flowers, or order them from your florist of preference.

THIS IS A REMINDER THAT the Clerk of Session has made the 2019 Statistical Report available for anyone who wishes to read it. Included in the folder are the statistical report dating back to 2010. The labeled file with the reports are located on a shelf to the left of the door to the Church Library.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRAYER during Lent. We are engaged in a church-wide 40 days of prayer. This is part of our process of discerning where it is God is leading us as a congregation. The sanctuary is a sacred place for many and we are told it is here where some find themselves feeling closest to God. The sanctuary will be open for one hour (12:00 – 1:00) Monday-Thursday during the Lenten Season beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb 26. You are encouraged to take a break during the day, come in and experience the holiness of this place.

FIVE-WEEK STUDY OFFERING -Join others in a study and conversation during lent about the process of discernment. Facilitated by Rev. Becky Albright, a book written by Henri Nouwen will be used to guide this study. There will be two offerings of this and sign-ups are required. The times are Tuesdays at 5:30 -6:30 (beginning Tuesday, March 3rd) with childcare provided and Wednesdays from 2:30 -3:30 (beginning March 4th). Please use sign-up sheets on Becky's office door or call the church office 843-524-3051 for sign-up.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

Awakening the Spirit in us to become more compassionate.

"Mental health is such an important thing to talk about. It's the same as being physically sick." - Cara Delevingne

God's Tithe and Offering Update

Received		Annual Budget	
Offering for February 9	Year To Date	\$ 600,000.00	
\$ 30,505.00	\$ 135,851.04	\$ 600,000.00	





A Service for the Worship of God February 23, 2020 10:00 AM



To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.

Sanctuary: 410 Church Street

Office, Education & Outreach Building: 1201 North Street firstpresbeaufort.org 843-524-3051 www.facebook.com/firstpresbeaufort info@firstpresbeaufort.org



As we gather to worship, may we enter prayerfully. Striking of the Hour Choral Introit Opening Words & Call to Worship - from Psalm 99 The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!

God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion and exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name.

Holy is God!

Mighty King, lover of justice,

You have established equity;

You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Magnify the Lord our God and worship at God's footstool. Holy is God!

Moses and Aaron were among God's priests.

Samuel also was among those who called on God's name. They cried to the Lord, and God answered them.

God spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;

They kept God's decrees and the statutes that God gave them. O Lord our God, you answered them;

To them you were a God who forgives, But also the one who avenged their wrongdoings.

Magnify the Lord our God and worship at God's holy mountain; For the Lord our God is holy!

+* Hymn 156 Sing of God Made Manifest SALZBURG

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Glorious God, you are all wisdom and a lamp to our feet; yet, we fail to listen to you and neglect to follow your guidance. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on that we may walk in your ways and be happy in your refuge; in Jesus Christ we pray.

(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (Hymn No. 581)

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.

Children's Sermon	Reverend Becky Albright
Anthem	God Is My Strong Salvation
VIC VARNER, <i>Music Director</i>	ARR. LLOYD PFAUTSCH
CLEEN RACSDALE Organist	

God is my strong Salvation: What foe have I to fear? In darkness and temptation, my Light, my Help is near.

Thou hosts encamp around me, firm in the fight I stand. What terror can confound me, with God at my right hand?

Place on the Lord reliance; my soul, with courage, wait. His truth will be my affiance, when faint and desolate.

His might thy heart shall strengthen, His love thy joy increase. Mercy thy days shall lengthen; the Lord will give thee peace.

Hebrew Lesson	Exodus 24:12-18
*Hymn 193	<i>Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain</i> UNSER HERRSCHER
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 17:1-9
Sermon	Listen Dr. Patrick Perryman

*Affirmation of Faith - 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Offering LIZ O'NEILL, Bell Choir Director ARR. EITHUN

*Doxology (Hymn No. 606) and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Hymn 287	Gracious Spirit, Heed	Our Pleading
	NIOO KWETII	ROHO MWEMA

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN. FEB. 23	11:00 AM	New Members Luncheon
	5:00 PM	High School Youth Group
	6:00 PM	Middle School Youth Group
MON. FEB. 24	5:30 PM	Session Meeting
TUE. FEB. 25	11:00 AM	Spirituality Class with Rev. Becky Albright
WED. FEB. 26	4:15 PM	Bell Choir
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Night Supper
	6:15 PM	Ash Wednesday Service
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
THUR. FEB. 27	9:30 AM	Grow Class with Dr. Patrick Perryman



Sailing Together During Lent

During the season of Lent that begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26, we are invited to engage together as a congregation in 40+ Days of Prayer. (While Sundays are technically excluded from Lent because every Sunday is a day of Resurrection, we will continue to pray together each day throughout!)

The number 40 holds particular significance in the Bible. There are at least ten instances where 40 occurs, either in years or days. Remember that it rained for 40 days and 40 nights, Moses was on the mountain 40 days and 40 nights, the Israelites wandered 40 years, Jesus fasted and tempted in the wilderness for 40 days and was seen on the earth for 40 days after his resurrection.

I have been working on a Lenten Prayer Guide that emphasizes the practice(s) of discernment and I am eager for us to pray together. Printed copies of the guide will be available on Ash Wednesday and we are also trying something new this year. Each morning during Lent, you will receive the day's meditation in your email. The meditations are designed to be used in the mornings, so that you may continue to reflect and practice what you have encountered throughout the day.

peace & love,

Dr. Patrick Perryman