

# First Presbyterian Church of McAllen

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am—3:00 pm; Friday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm

## Church Staff

Rev. Kathryn Escandell Pastor	Cam Henry Treasurer	Lucy Snearley Pianist
Michael A. Pullen Church Administrator	Roberto Garza II Choir Director	Adela Zamora Custodian / Nursery
Dana Friedman Clerk of Session	Beverly Bradburn Organist	

## The Session

Rev. Kathryn Escandell—Moderator  
Dana Friedman — Clerk

### Class of 2018

Spud Brown  
Mike Hudler  
Dottie Palmer  
Dee Treviño

### Class of 2019

Kathryn Henry  
Henry McElmurray  
Bob Simpson  
Noelia Smith

### Class of 2020

Tom Ball  
Maria Colvin-Lopez  
Dana Friedman  
Cristina Garfield

*Stated Session meetings are the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Session meetings are open unless in Executive Session.*

### Callings Chairpersons

*Administration*—Anna Bohart

### Trustees

*Class of 2018*—Maria Colvin-Lopez

*Christian Education*—Cristina Garfield

*Class of 2019*—Nadine Force-Macey

*Congregational Care /*

*Evangelism & Mission*—Tom Turk

*Worship*—Tom Ball

*All are welcome to join in the ministry of the church.*

**Children are welcome in worship.** Childcare is provided for infants through kindergartners. Preschoolers may leave for an extended children's session in the nursery after "Time with Young Disciples." All children are invited to take advantage of the Children's Worship Bags located in the Narthex.



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### TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

*Rev. Kathryn Escandell, pastor*

*Mike Hudler, liturgist*

*Rev. Kathryn Escandell, children's time*

### MUSICIANS

*Beverly Bradburn, organist*

*Lucy Snearley, pianist*

### USHERS

*Dana Friedman, captain*

*David Rowland*

## PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PEOPLE IN PRAYER:

Allen Abraham, Alice Adams, Emelia Alaniz, Ric Backstrom, Samantha Bailey, Bill & Anna Bohart, Dr. Juan Campos, Joseph Castellanos, Gretchen Chapa, Carole Collins, Mary Ann Cummings, Bonnie Daniels, Estelle Davenport, Kyler Deveney, Andres Fuentes, Andrew Garcia, Vicki Garcia, Betty Garner, Steve Gonzalez, Tyson Goodenbaur, Elisha Griffith, Laura Hale, Charles & Lou Helt, Orlin & Loes Hochstetler, Ruth Hodge, Rev. O'Quin Kelly, Dick & Gwyn Kozma, Dr. Kenneth & Carolyn Landrum, Andy Lentz, Shannon Leonard, Shirley Leonard, Eric Longoria, Maria Colvin-Lopez, William (Bill) Macecevic, Earl & Nadine Force-Macey, Larry & Jean McDonald, Ivan Melendez, Dolores Munoz, Bernice Norton, Rusty Noser, Daniella Olivarez, John Parks, Cindy Payne, Elpidio Perez, Raymond E. Peterson, Bob Pippin, Pip & Shirley Pippin, Robert & Carol Pippin, Rene & Diana Provencio, Marty Pullen, Barry Rock, Laurie Rock, Daniel Salkinder, Ruben Sanchez, Susan Cowie-Serres, The Session of FPC-McAllen, Rahul Sharma, Nancy Shepard, Scott Shipley, Lucy Snearley, Barbara Stevens, Judy Suter, Lindsay Terry, Alan & Joy Tittle, Rick Trager, Anthony Treviño, Sopphey Vance, Harry Vorbach, Eric & Lety Walborg, James & Carole Warren, Jessica Watt, Joseph Watt, John Wright, Draven Trent Zamora. **MILITARY/OVERSEAS:** Derek Emter, Nathan & Glenda Mesta, Jason Schneider, Taylor Wimberley, Justin Zeller. **MISSIONARY:** Dre Atkins. **SHUT-INS:** Lois Clark, Gladys Law, Dale Miller, Lupe Weir. (NOTE: If you would like to add a name to the list, please fill out a card located in the "Ritual of Friendship" book or back of the pew and drop it in the offering plate.)

## Our Mission Statement

Join the Journey!

Love and Serve God and Others.

## Our Vision Statement

Respond to God's grace and build upon the strength of our Reformed tradition through worship, evangelism and leadership training. We will become a church of ministers who carry out the Great Commission and meet the needs of one another. We will build safer communities and glorify the name of Jesus Christ in the city of McAllen, Texas.

### We will ...

Proclaim the Good News revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We will accomplish this through activities such as festivals and concerts, and through various means of communication as social and international programs.

### We will ...

Live as a community of faith in worship, prayer, study and fellowship. This will be done through programs, including Sunday School, Bible Study, Sunday Worship; and activities, including church meals, as well as support for individual worship.

### We will ...

Actively serve our community with love, compassion, respect, mercy and justice. We will accomplish through peace, unity and purity through Christ-like behavior, corporate and personal responsibility, and hospitality toward all.

*May God empower us by the Holy Spirit to fulfill our call to be God's people.*

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MCALLEN, TEXAS 78501  
Serving this community since 1908



## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 6, 2017

10:30 a.m.

**9th Sunday after Pentecost / Hiroshima Day**

(\* - please stand if able. Congregation parts in **bold**.)

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Ritual of Friendship Book

Prelude

Silent Preparation

When Christ and his word withdraw, it is best for us to follow, seeking the means of grace for our souls before any worldly advantages. The presence of Christ and his gospel, makes a desert not only tolerable, but desirable. A little supply of bread was increased by Christ's creating power, till the whole multitude were satisfied. In this miracle of today's Gospel lesson, there is an emblem of the Bread of life, which came down from heaven to sustain our perishing souls. The provisions of Christ's gospel appear mean and scanty to the world, yet they satisfy all that feed on him in their hearts by faith with thanksgiving.  
— Matthew Henry, "Concise Commentary"

## GATHERING

\* Call to Worship (from *Psalm 43:3-4*)

O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;  
**Let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.**  
Then I will go to the altar of God,  
**To God, my exceeding joy; and I will praise you with the harp,  
O God, my God.**  
Let us worship God!

\* Opening Hymn *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* No. 466 (Blue)

\* Prayer of the Day

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.**

\* Silent Confession

\* Declaration of Forgiveness

The good news in Christ is that God offers us life at every moment,  
forgiving us, and inviting us to the freshness of new beginnings.  
Let us praise this God of grace!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God!**

\* Gloria Patri *Glory Be to the Father* No. 579 (Blue)

\* Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**  
[In the same manner, turn and pass the peace of Christ to your neighbors.]

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 55:1-5* (CEB)  
(This is the Word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**)

Time with Young Disciples

Gospel Reading *Matthew 14:13-21* (Pew bible, Pgs. 848-849)  
(This is the Word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**)

Sermon "Blessed and Broken" Rev. Kathryn Escandell

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Reflection Hymn *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*  
No. 498 (Purple)

\* Affirmation of Faith *A Brief Statement of Faith*  
Purple Hymnal, Pg. 37

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,  
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\* Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
No. 592 (Blue)

\* Offertory Prayer

## SEALING GOD'S WORD

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to The Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy ...  
... Who forever proclaim the glory of your name:  
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**  
You are holy, O God of majesty ...

.... Great is the mystery of faith.  
**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us ...  
... Now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)* Blue Hymnal, Pg. 16

Break and Bless

The Feast (by intinction) \*\*

\*\* (If you are unable to come forward to receive the elements,  
please raise your hand and a server will come to you in the pew.)

Prayer After Communion

\* Closing Hymn *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* No. 504 (Blue)

## GO OUT INTO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME

\* Charge & Benediction

\* Congregational Response

**Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.**

\* Postlude

Rally Day

September 10, 2017



## Have we got an opportunity for you!

**What:** *Clean & Shine & Organize Work Days*—Now that the work on the building has been completed, it's time to get the rooms upstairs ready for the new program year.

**When:** Each Friday in August from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

**Where:** Check in with Lita and Kathy in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. to see which rooms are on the day's schedule. If you need to come later in the morning, come and find us on the 2nd floor.

**How often:** Come one Friday, come every Friday, come whenever you can. We'll be glad to see you!

For questions/more information, contact Lita ([litas@missionpby.org](mailto:litas@missionpby.org)), Kathy ([fpcpastorkathy@gmail.com](mailto:fpcpastorkathy@gmail.com)), or the church office (956-682-2836).