Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church June 15, 2025 10:00 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Sometimes, God, you blow me away! When I take the time and make the effort to extend my focus beyond my own nose and see what's up in the sky and all around me, my brain explodes. He weight of your majesty and creativity overwhelm me. I feel so small. And then I realize that, even so, you know me totally. And you expect a lot from me. Open my eyes more often, God, so I can see not only the beauty of your creation, but also what I need to do to fulfill my responsibility toward it. Amen.

Peter Wallace

PRELUDE

How Great Thou Art

Hobby

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Road Trip

VBS Kids

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND PRAISE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the Lord our God:

The One who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.

Let us worship the Lord our God:

The One who took on the clothing of humanity to set us free from all that holds us back.

Let us worship the Lord our God:

The One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from darkness to bright new beginnings.

Let us sing forth our praise to God this day and always!

*HYMN 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above (vs.1,2,3)

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made God's gracious mercy keepeth; By morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of God's might, lo! all is just and all is right: To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing. As with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory!

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you know us better than we know ourselves: you know our thoughts, our weaknesses, our motivations, our sins...and you love us still! Forgive us when we don't believe such love is true or possible; when we forget we are made in your image; when we forgot that others are made in your image, too. Remove from our minds those thoughts that keep us from you, and help us break down the walls and push aside the pride so that we can trust you anew. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

*PERSONAL REFLECTION & SILENT CONFESSION

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORY TO GOD

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Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Barbara Kaneiwa

ANTHEM

The Master's Voice
Tom Marsicano

DeFord

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 8

SERMON Big God, Little Me

*HYMN 691 Lord, When I Came into This Life

Lord, when I came into this life you called me by my name; Today I come, commit myself, responding to your claim.

Within the circle of the faith as members of your cast, I take my place with all the saints of future, present, past.

In all the tensions of my life, between my faith and doubt, Let your great Spirit give me hope, sustain me lead me out.

So help me in my unbelief and let my life be true: Feet firmly planted on the earth, my sights set high on you.

*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 catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts...debtors)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Sing Praise

Pepping

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*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia. Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the many blessings that are ours: for family and friends, for work and play, for all good things that come from your hand. Give us grateful hearts and lives that reflect the love we have so freely received; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 625 How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur and see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze: Refrain

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin:

Refrain

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration and then proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Refrain

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Land of Rest

Proulx

^{*}Congregation may stand in body or in spirit

Congregational responses said in unison are in bold

Welcome All – Members, Friends & Visitors! We thank you for worshiping with us today. We trust the Spirit of God in this place will encourage and strengthen you in your devotion to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you would like to learn more about the membership and ministry of our church, please contact Pastor Andy. Plans are being made to receive new members in the near future.

Please find, fill out & pass the black Friendship Pad at the end of each pew... and fill out & wear a nametag so that we can greet one another by name.

Our staffed Nursery, located in the Office Building, is available for children up to 4 years of age during worship. Worship bags are available in the back of the sanctuary for younger children. The Parlor, located in the back of the sanctuary, is equipped with speakers so that while you enjoy the worship service your young children can enjoy more freedom.

Sunday School and many of our regular Bible studies will be taking a break during the summer months. Please take advantage of this reduced schedule by spending time together with family & friends and doing your own devotion & study. Looking for resources? Contact Pastor Andy.

The Church is looking for a <u>paid</u> nursery helper to take the lead in providing care for our youngest *disciples-in-making*. Must be good with young children, available most Sunday mornings (plus some additional other times occasionally), be 17 or older and willing to have a background check and do D2L training. Talk with Marty or Andy if you might know of someone who might be interested.

Upcoming Fellowship Activities: through the month of June

- VISA (Very Important Senior Adults) lunch, this Thursday, June 19th, Coach's Corner (3016 E Victory Dr.). 11:45 AM. <u>Please use insert to sign up.</u>
- A *Bella Sera* (Italian for "beautiful evening") at the home of Tom Marsicano (1116 Wilmington Island Rd.) overlooking the Wilmington River, this Friday, June 20th, 5:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair, your own beverage, and an appetizer/dessert to share as we enjoying an evening of fellowship together.
- Church Lunch following worship on June 29th. Assorted grilled tubular meats will be featured (hot dogs, sausages, brats, etc.) along with chips, slaw and watermelon. Please use insert to sign up.

Through the month of June, the Mission Committee is collecting school supplies for the kids of P.A.C.K. (People of Action Caring for Kids). Suggested items include: packs of pens & pencils, 24-pack crayons, magic markers, rulers & glue sticks. If you would like to help out, please drop off your donations in the Narthex on Sunday mornings or church office weekday mornings.

You can help the Inter City Night Shelter (ICNS) serve unhoused members of our community by providing individually wrapped sandwiches (peanut butter & jelly or bologna & cheese with mustard) that are placed back in the loaf wrapper that can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall refrigerator. The sandwiches are picked up and distributed several times a week. Thanks!

To make a gift to the church, offering plates will be passed, or you may train your phone's camera on the QR code on the front of the bulletin which will bring you to our church's secure online giving portal.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

- The 70+ children and 40+ volunteers who came together for a great week of Vacation Bible School!
- Those children and youth heading off to Camp Montgomery in Florida this week
- Emma Sprouse, recovering from surgery
- Jack Susie
- Maggie McManus' mom, Susan, cancer
- Steve Hopkins, father of Preschool Director, Ashley Cetti, cancer
- | Wade's sister
- Hester Haas
- Sally Barksdale, Summer Breeze
- Sheila Poole, Summer Breeze
- Joy Youngblood's brother, Mark
- Joanne Bower's husband, Bob, and daughter, Rhonda
- Liz Ewbank's son, Seth
- Bruce Anderson
- Patricia Helmly
- Jim and Debbie Baker's granddaughter, Caroline
- J. Wade's friend, Jackie Klein
- Bob Hastie's brother, Sandy
- Lex Bailey's friend, Paul Hebert, ALS
- Nancy Sesterhenn's niece, Samantha
- Deanna Molnar's aunt, Margaret, & cousin, Chloe
- Mary Lou Harrell's cousin, Tammie Dooley
- Cindy Brown, John & Bebe Whitcomb, Tom & Bebe Dunlap

Prayers for Those in Our Armed Forces Including:

- Katlyn Flanders (Joy Youngbloods' great-niece), West Point cadet
- Adam Calderon (Mary Lou Harrell's grandson); Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ
- Wally Lytle (Rhoda Voth's nephew), US Marine Corp
- Tyler Lentini (Kurt & Sue Lentini's son), USN, Guam
- Logan Roquemore (Hester Haas' grandson), US Coast Guard

This Week in Our Church

Sunday 6/15	10:00	am	Worship
	7:30	pm	AA Meeting
Monday	7:00	pm	Session
Tuesday	8:00	pm	AA Meeting
Wednesday			
Thursday	11:45	am	VISA Lunch – Coach's Corner
Friday	5:00	рm	Bella Sera – Tom Marsicano's
	8:00	рm	AA Meeting
Saturday	10:00	am	Heathy Choices Support Group
Sunday 6/22	10:00	am	Worship
	7:30	pm	AA Meeting

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