

WELCOME TO KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)  
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***YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!***

***Kingston Presbyterian Church Organized 1858 Conway, South Carolina***



*The church opens wide its doors, like  
the arms of Christ on the cross  
and bids you welcome into the Father's house.*

***September 20, 2020 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost***

***Usual worship is 10:30AM on Sunday now recorded Thursday before Sunday.***

† = Stand if able

**= Congregational participation**

**GOD CALLS US TO HOLY GROUND**

***"BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD"***

*Worship begins with the instrumental prelude.*

*Please use this time to pray for God to move in a mighty way during the Worship Service.*

*Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you.*

*After the service, speak to one another.*

## **Prelude Music**

### **Welcome and Announcements:**

1. The Mission Yearbook focus is about Theological Education Sunday. This article is located at the end of this worship bulletin for you.
2. Our video worship services will continue to be made on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. They are released on Sunday morning.
3. This Wednesday September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5 - 6:30 p.m., and Thursday from 10:30 - 12 noon, in the church parking lot canned foods, dry goods, paper products along with sanitary supplies will be collected for CAP and the Waccamaw Youth Center.
4. The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service is every Wednesday continues evening weather permitting. We are practicing Ribbons of Prayer. Please continue to be the "House of Prayer for all People & Situations."
5. Today starts KPC's Parking Lot and Boat-in worship. You will be able to hear via your car FM radio. God's tithe and our offerings will be collected as you leave the parking lot. **If you leave your car, please wear your mask, and maintain a 6-foot distance.**
6. We will be ordering 2021 contribution envelopes in the next week, if you would like to continue receiving them, please contact Mary Alwine by church email, text or calling her cell.

**Call to Worship:** (Responsive)

All you who would be friends, all you who would be neighbors ...

**Let us all learn from the example of Jesus.**

The care and concern of Jesus for others ...

**Were founded on the love of God, the God we come here to worship today.**

Let us join now through love and devotion and in word and song.

**Let us praise our Lord God, let us worship God in spirit and truth, and let us give to God our joy and our lives.**

**Prayer of the Day:** (Responsive)

Great Healer, make us aware of your great Spirit here in this place. Touch and heal our brokenness and lift us out of despair and doubt. Dry our tears of pain and sorrow. Comfort and nourish us with the many blessings of your great love, O God. May we flourish and blossom in the warmth and compassion of your healing love and grace. **Amen.**

† **Hymn No. 66**

*"To God Be the Glory"*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

1 **To God be the glory, great things he hath done,  
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

2 **O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.  
[Refrain]**

**Refrain:**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!**

**O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory,  
great things he hath done**

3 **Great things he hath taught us, great things he  
hath done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.  
[Refrain]**

**Call to Prayer**

**Prayer of Confession** (Together)

Holy God, loving Savior, we make no pretense about our lives. We forget, even deny, who we are called to be. You call us to be lovers of creation and healers of wounds, but we doubt your power flowing through us.

**We are called to forgive wrongs and to offer blessings, but we hold on to hurt and hold back the word of praise.**

**We are called to share our faith and live our beliefs, but we hesitate, afraid to appear "too religious." (Silence is kept)**

**Assurance of Pardon** (Together)

**Strong God, fill us with hope and confidence and give us the courage to share what is truly Good News, that God is love, that Christ is Lord and in his name as his beloved, we are forgiven. Amen.**

**Special Music:**

*"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"*

O'Hara

**Prayer for Family, Church, Community, Country, and World** (Joys and Concerns)

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

O God, we praise you for having bound humanity in a great unity of life so that each must lean on the strength of all and depend for comfort and safety on the help and labor of brothers and sisters. We invoke your blessing on all the men and women who have toiled to build and warm our homes, to fashion our clothing and to wrest from sea and land the food that nourishes us and our children. We pray that they may have health and joy, and hope and love, even as we desire for our loved ones. Grant us wisdom to deal justly with every man and woman whom we face in the business of life. May we not unknowingly inflict suffering through selfish indifference or the willful ignorance of a callous heart. All of this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who, while he was with us, taught us to pray, saying ...

**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. 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 for Illumination

**Scripture Reading:** The Gospel for Today is Matthew 20:1-16

20<sup>1</sup>For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage,\* he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" <sup>7</sup>They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage.\* <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage.\* <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?" <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?"\* <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last.\*

Children's Time: "Good Workers"

Prayer: "Dear God, please help us to be good workers for your Son Jesus. Amen."

**Sermon:** "Unhappy with God"

Reverend Burton

† **Affirmation of Faith** (Unison) "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.**

1 Jesus loves me, this I know,  
for the Bible tells me so!  
Little ones to him belong:  
they are weak, but he is strong.

2 Jesus loves me, he who died  
heaven's gate to open wide;  
he will wash away my sin,  
let his little child come in. [Refrain]

**Refrain:**  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.

3 Jesus loves me! He will stay  
close beside me all the way;  
he's prepared a home for me,  
and some day his face I'll see. [Refrain]

**Charge and Blessing**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
The blessing of the Lord God rests upon you.  
The power and companionship of the Holy Spirit will  
accompany you always.

**The Doxology:**

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

(This will be played several times. Traditionally God’s Tithes and our Offerings are collected at this time. Presently they are collected as we leave worship.)

**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.**

Go in peace, joy, and love to serve the Lord.

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The Reverend Jim Burton, Transitional Pastor  
Bradley Hardee, Director of Music  
Soloist, Paul Reed  
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Mary Alwine, Administrative Assistant  
Alys Lawson, Clerk of Session  
David Moore, Custodian

**PRAYERS FOR CHURCH FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE LOST LOVE ONES**

Family of Donald Bradley (relative of Ron & Barbara Whittington)

**PRAYERS FOR MEMBERS:**

Carolyn Addison, Teddi Chambers, Walt & Pat Fatz, Teresa Hardee, Will Lyerly, Kathleen McMillan,  
Paul Reed, Ballou & Beverly Skinner & Mary Wilson.

**PRAYERS FOR MEMBER FAMILIES:**

George aka “Buddy” and Cindy Magrath with George, Ashley, & Richard; Mary Jane Magrath; Bill and  
Elizabeth Marsh with Sarah, Erin, & William; Clayton and Kathy Mauldin; Niece and Al McLaughlin;  
Kathleen McMillan, Susan McMillan with Ashley; Ann Miles; Lindsey “Nikki” and Ian Murphy-Young  
with Sophie Grace & Vivian.

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:**

Angela Skinner Appelberg (daughter of Skinners), Melony Bennett, Billy Benson, Sandra Bone (friend of Cheryl & Rachel Barefoot), Patricia Briggs (sister of Frances Dennis), Rich (friend of Ron Whittington), Mac Chambers (husband of Teddi Chambers), Cindy Check, Joe Eichelberger (Karen Gatesman's mother's husband), Alex Faircloth (daughter of Clayton Mauldin's coworker), Tom & Helen Faria (parents of Leslie Wilson), John & Angie Fry, Debbie Gill (friend of Niece McLaughlin), Barbara Mirbt (friend of Bradley Hardee), Lynette Nicholson (Marvin's wife), John Orr (coworker of Bradley Hardee), Patte Rhodes' granddaughters, Heather Robinette (friend of Bradley & Aaron Hardee), Pam & Greg Schmidt (Daughter and Son in law of Peggy Hayes), Francein Scott (Kathy Mauldin's mother), Sandy Stiens (Don Stiens' widow), Annette Tatgenhorst, Sophie Taylor (friend of Lynda Courtney), Evelyn Tew (great niece of Leslie Wilson), Dan Thompkins (friend of Teresa Hardee), Jessica Trombetta e-Silva (friend of Cara Lawson), Peggy Williams now on Hospice (mother of Brenda Long), and Bruce Young.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER GATHERING:** Rain caused the event to be canceled.



## **The Mission Yearbook: Minute for Mission: Celebrate Theological Education Sunday in September**

The Rev. Dr. Mindy Douglas had her heart set on studying biology followed by a career as a geneticist when she entered college. But, as she says, “God did a little God thing,” and she was called into ministry.

She switched gears and went straight to [Union Presbyterian Seminary](#) in Richmond, Virginia, following college. “It became clear that this is what God was calling me to do in a full time way: to teach, to preach, to care for other people, to be a part of this community that grows and supports one another as we journey in our faith together,” Douglas says.

Douglas is one of five pastors featured this year on bulletin inserts — and for the first time, accompanying PowerPoint slides — for Theological Education Sunday in the PC(USA), which is celebrated today, Sunday, Sept. 20 (or whatever date your congregation prefers). [You can find resources here.](#)

Douglas is the pastor and head of staff at [First Presbyterian Church in Durham, North Carolina](#), a downtown congregation that is deeply connected to the community it serves. The congregation recently hosted an exhibit that tells the story of racism and segregation in Durham, inviting members to better understand the city’s issues and work toward ending racism. The church actively supports hunger relief ministries, affordable housing initiatives, employment readiness training and restorative justice work.

Community, she says, is crucial to her ministry and in her church — both when church members reach out into their city as well as the ways church members connect and support each other.

“My calling to ministry is in the parish,” she says. “The parish is where you are with families and people from every age. You are with them from the celebration of birth to the sadness of death and you are in these life moments throughout their lives. Even during this pandemic, we are walking together, as best we are able, learning to hold each other close in different ways. I am grateful for the ways my seminary education fostered creativity, imagination and love in me to serve very differently in 2020.”

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**Revised Common Lectionary Readings for Sunday, September 20, 2020, the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): [First Reading Exodus 16:2-15](#); [Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45](#); [Second Reading Philippians 1:21-30](#); [Gospel Matthew 20:1-16](#)**

**Let us join in prayer for: PC(USA) Agencies’ Staff: [Ronnika Muhammad](#), Administrative Services Group (A Corp); [Julie Mullins](#), Presbyterian Publishing Corporation**

**Let us pray:** O God, in the midst of a year of disruption, illness, loss, killings, racism and the evidence of so much trauma in our world, help us all feel your presence, sense your peace and find your way forward in the new directions you are calling us all. We give thanks for the pastors in our life, and for the seminaries, theological educators and mentors who help form and reform them. We pray for each seminarian, for strength, courage, wisdom and clarity as they listen for your call even in this uncertain world where we live. May it be. Amen.