



## First Reformed United Church of Christ

Where People Discover...  
The Love of God...  
The Power to Love Others...  
The Ability to Love Ourselves.

## The Worship of God

June 14, 2020  
Second Sunday after Pentecost

### Gathering

**“BOLD” indicates congregational response**

Please let us know if you joined our worship service on YouTube or Facebook with comments on our Facebook page.

Prelude	"Sweet Hour of Prayer" [Patricia Lou Harris]	Robert Wilson
Welcome and Invitation to Worship		Rev. Elizabeth Horton
Invocation		
Hymn	"All Creatures of Our God and King"	Ellen Peterson

### Centering

New Testament Scripture	Romans 5: 1-8	Rev. Horton
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*Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.*

*For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.*

Prayers of the People

Passing the Peace

Turn to those around you, text or call someone who needs to hear these words,  
"May the peace of Christ be with you!"

### Proclaiming

Scripture	Genesis 18: 1-15	Rev. Horton
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*The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.*

*They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age;*

it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' The Lord said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

Sermon

"Create and Connect: The Power of Hospitality"

## Responding

Hymn

"The Gift of Love"

Ellen Peterson

Invitation to Give

Rev. Horton

Prayer of Dedication

## Sending

Benediction

Postlude

"Voluntary in D Major" from *Prelude to the Te Deum*  
[by Marc Antoine Carpentier]

Robert Wilson

Join our "**Fellowship & Prayer Concerns**" Zoom Chat  
after worship from 12-12:30pm and catch up with your church friends!  
Follow this Link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/207685007?pwd=SIBsZzhlbkEwUFJwb0lEaWFXbWJNQT09>  
**Meeting ID: 207 685 007      Password: 3n7IX8**

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

~JUNE~

### June 14:

**9:45AM** Adult Bible Study on Genesis led by Rev. Susan Morris **via Zoom**  
Join the Meeting at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87135993948?pwd=TWo2UXVwclhyZXJncWFvNEh6djkvdz09>

**Meeting ID:** 871 3599 3948 **Password:** 418121

**11:00AM** Worship online **via YouTube and Facebook**

**12:00PM** Fellowship & Prayer Concerns **via Zoom**

### June 16:

**12:00PM** 2CFAR: Crucial Conversations on Faith and Race  
Every week on Tuesday until July 21, 2020 via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87341918684?pwd=NIpCSno2Tlp4bDdOREfoVGIsLzdGUT09>

**Meeting ID:** 873 4191 8684 **Password:** 222495

**7:00PM** Mr. Roger's Peaceful Neighbor study **via Zoom**

<https://zoom.us/j/97395879041?pwd=UWM0QUdNViffL3UyVlxDMlhuNE5GQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 973 9587 9041 **Password:** 8VXFAT

### June 17:

**6:00PM** Youth Ministry **via Zoom**

### June 18:

**6:30PM** Kids' Adventure Time **via Zoom**

**7:00PM** Adult Education Team Meeting **via Zoom**

Led by Stacy Sosebee-West.

Bring your ideas for next study opportunities for consideration.

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## BIRTHDAYS

17th

Rich Johnson  
Carolyn Spivey

## OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER

We extend Sympathy to and share Christian Hope with Cathy Waitman and family on the recent death of her Mother, Virginia Hill.

### **OUR MEMBERS:**

\*Pattie Everhart (Thomasville Medical Center), Jeff Hutchens (receiving chemo), Deanna Michael, Aurelia Smith, Kelly Greathouse, Susan Miller, Bill Walser

### **AT HOME AND IN CARE FACILITIES:**

Peggy Bates, Janelle Bunn, Marzell Crofts, Ruth Essick, Margot Everhart, Vogen Everhart, Lib & Jimbo Hinkle, Bob Shaak, Lib Sink, Katherine Skipper, Carolyn Spivey, Adena Wall

### **Piedmont Crossing:**

Mary Berrier, Doris Flynt, Marguerite Leonard

**OUR FRIENDS:** \*Family of Mike Murphy (friend of Jay & Cathy Whitley); Ronnie Hartzog (Glenyce Fulton's brother), Grayson Beck (Grandson of Clifton & Harriette Murphy), Angie Bouchard (Lee and Ellen Bouchard's youngest daughter)

*\*Indicates newly added. Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks. To add a name to the prayer list please fill out a prayer request card located on the backs of the pews or call the church office (336-248-2617).*