

GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*RECESSIONAL HYMN "Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE



1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
4. High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

CLOSING ANTHEM 9:00 AM

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Arr. Peter C. Lutkin
The Sanctuary Choir

CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace; perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever.
May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
The Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

POSTLUDE

"Praeludium in C" Georg Böhm

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
DR. REV. RICHARD MILLER

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AT 9:00 AND 11:00 AM

Exodus 14:19-31 Psalm 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35

WELCOME FRIENDS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it along to those around you. Visitors, please include your name, address, zip code, and phone number. When the register returns, note the names of people near you and greet one another after the service.

VISITORS, please accept our invitation to worship with us regularly and be sure to pick up a white visitor welcome bag, located in the back of the sanctuary on the Welcome Desk.

Sound enhancement devices that can accommodate a T-switch on a hearing aid, or can be fitted with a personal earpiece, are available in the sanctuary. Ask any usher for details, or see the sound engineer at the sound desk at the front of the sanctuary.

Emergency Information. An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is located on the west wall of the Narthex (back of Sanctuary) and a second AED is outside the Parlor kitchen in the Christian Education building.

Childcare for infants and toddlers through four-years of age is provided from 8:15 AM - 12:15 PM in the Little Saints and Angels Nursery (on the third floor of the Christian Education building). Access is possible via the curved stairway just beyond the Sanctuary door to the right of the Chancel (front of the Sanctuary).

Music Notes: The *Sanctuary Choir* returns for their 2017-2018 season this morning with a traditional anthem by the great composer and organist Harold W. Friedell (1905-1958). We invite you to join us for the sung congregational response to the benediction.

Next week, September 17, the *Sanctuary Choir* and Carol Phoenix provide music for worship.

Worship Hosts for TODAY: 9:00 AM - *Head Worship Host:* Diane Schreiner. *Worship Hosts:* Merriam Rink, Nancy Foster, Craig Foster, Sharon Simmonds, Gail Yingling, and Erin Yingling. 11:00 AM - *Head Worship Host:* Lorraine Sewick. *Worship Hosts:* Stephanie Arp and Patty Scott.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers are Welcome for: Jean Bowman; Tom and Brenda Boyd; Robin Ciccotelli; Richard Dillingham (*father of Abby Scales*); Sue Ervin; family of Mary Gruhl; family of Jean Holloway; families and victims of Hurricane Harvey; Jay McQuillen; Jeff Paul; Peter and LaWanda Roudebush; family of Ron Schneider.

Mission Partners: Rev. José Pilar Alvare Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez (*leaders of ILUGUA, Zacapa, Guatemala*), Rev. Herbert and Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe.

Hospital visits by the Pastor to members and friends of the church, are made only with a patient's permission.

Printed Prayer Requests for members and friends also require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin or mentioned during Sunday Prayer. Printed requests are in the bulletin for one month, or you can share with the Pastor or church office if you no longer wish to remain on the prayer list. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to have you, a family member, or a friend directly notify the church office (563-326-1691).

The Prayer Chain connects those in need of prayer with church members who are committed to a ministry of prayer. Those asking for prayer on the Prayer Chain will not be included in the bulletin unless specifically requested. All requests may be directed to Mary Ann Francois (563-355-5292).

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September 10, 2017

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at Nine and Eleven O'Clock in the Morning



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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 149
Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20

"Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loin cloths for themselves."

Genesis 3:7

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Worshippers who are able, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.
 Liturgist: Cindy Schalk; Sermon: Rev. Dr. Richard Miller

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

PRELUDE "Voluntary" William Goodwin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude. The Bible, which has been placed near the outside door symbolizing its place in the world, is brought to the lectern from which lessons will be read, symbolizing the place of Scripture in Christian Worship.

PRELUDE "Meditation" Charles Morrison

PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Even when we encounter folks who are mean, dishonest, or hateful,
We are called to respond with love, which is true and sincere.
 God calls us to love all people as our sisters and brothers,
God is the only force that can tear down the barriers between us.
 No matter how weary we become from our struggles, or our service,
God calls us to be patient, and never stop praying.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"God the Sculptor of the Mountains" LAUDA ANIMA

At the 9:00 AM service, children are invited to come forward to the Chancel as the introduction of the hymn begins.



1. God the sculp-tor of the moun - tains, God the
 2. God the nui-sance of the Pha - raoh, God the
 3. God the dress - er of the vine - yard, God the
 4. God the un - ex - pect-ed in - fant, God the



mill - er of the sand, God the jewel - er
 cleav - er of the sea, God the pil - lar
 plant - er of the wheat, God the reap - er
 calm, de - ter-mined youth, God the ta - ble -



of the heav - ens, God the pot - ter of the
 in the dark-ness, God the bea - con of the
 of the har - vest, God the source of all we
 turn - ing proph - et, God the res - ur - rect - ed



land: you are womb of all cre - a - tion;
 free: you are fount of all de - liv - erance;
 eat: you are host at ev - ery ta - ble;
 truth: you are pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment;



we are form - less; shape us now.
 we are aim - less; lead us now.
 we are hun - gry; feed us now.
 we are search - ing; meet us now.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE 9:00 AM

CONFESS TO A FORGIVING CREATOR

***CALL TO CONFESSION** - Sing "Take O Take Me" one time.



Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall



be, set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we are people who find it easier to hold on to all that is wrong, rather than cling to the goodness you have created. It is easier to point out what is wrong and then ignore the poor, or refuse to live at peace with others. God, help us to let go of all those temptations which insulate us from caring for others. Forgive us and turn us toward repentance. Since you will never wash your hands of us, let us not wash our hands of the high calling you call us to, in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing "Take O Take Me" one time.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear and believe this good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI Hymn 579

ANTHEM 11:00 AM "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Harold W. Friedell
 The Sanctuary Choir

*HYMN 11:00 AM Vs 1 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" DUKE STREET



1. Je - sus shall reign where - e'er the sun Does its suc -



ces - sive jour - neys run, His king - dom stretch from -



shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Genesis 1:30-2:3, 3:1-7 *The Old Testament page 2*
 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 *The New Testament page 14*

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Where Does Evil Come From?"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN** "The Church of Christ in Every Age" WAREHAM



1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, Be - set by change but
 2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, The vic - tims of in -
 3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, A car - ing church that



Spir - it led, Must claim and test its her - i -
 jus - tice cry For shel - ter and for bread to
 longs to be A part - ner in Christ's sac - ri -



tage And keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 eat, And nev - er live un - til they die.
 fice, And clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (Traditional) Page 16 in the hymnal.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

In the gift of money, we offer something of our work and selves to God.

9:00 AM "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Harold W. Friedell
 The Sanctuary Choir

11:00 AM "Pastorale" Jean Rameau

*PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

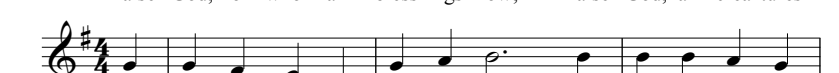
Those who are able, please rise singing the Doxology - Hymn Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH, 592 in the hymnal



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures



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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of Compassion, thank you for this moment in our worship when we are reminded that your steadfast love transforms our entire lives, even our giving. Bless these gifts and we who give them, as we trust in your heavenly grace. Amen.

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