

## 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 *Vesper Bells* and *Sanctuary Choir* provide music leadership this morning. Additionally, Paul Hartmann offers a work for bass and piano that will be featured on this afternoon's Genesis Doctors Holiday Recital at 2 PM. The offertory/anthem is an arrangement by André Thomas, Director of Choral Activities at Florida State University, of a slavery-era spiritual that was significant to the Underground Railroad.

Next Sunday, November 19, the *Sanctuary Choir* and *Kirkwood Choir* will 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:** The Arp Family (*death of wife, mother, and grandmother, Elna Arp*); Jean Bowman; Tom and Brenda Boyd; Robin Ciccotelli; Richard Dillingham (*father of Abby Scales*); Sue Ervin; Sean Jacobsmeier; Margarette and Steve Johnson; Jay McQuillen; Jeff Paul; Peter and LaWanda Roudebush; Ward Shawver; Sara Sinclair; families and victims of abuse, violence, and all recent natural disasters.

**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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### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, we offer up the gifts that you have entrusted to us and ask that you receive these gifts by your grace. Multiply and use them through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish Christ's work of love in the world. Amen.

## GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

### \*RECESSIONAL HYMN "How Great Thou Art"

O STORE GUD



1. O Lord my God! when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er  
2. And when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to  
3. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



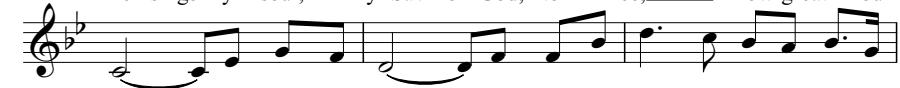
all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing  
die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble a - do -



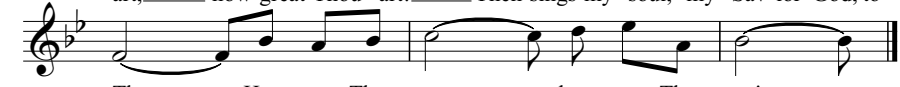
thun - der, Thy power through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God, how great Thou art!



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



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Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

### SENDING ANTHEM 9:00 AM "Benediction Peal"

The Vesper Bells

William H. Mathis

### CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever.

Grant us peace; perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.

Lift up our eyes to see God's face and God's grace forever.

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever.

The Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

### POSTLUDE

"Postlude in G"

Gerald Peterson

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

REV. DR. RICHARD MILLER

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

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

November 12, 2017

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at Nine and Eleven O'Clock in the Morning



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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A place to belong! Where faith is nurtured,  
curiosity is encouraged, diversity is welcomed, and all are loved.*

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### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

"Keep awake therefore, for you know  
neither the day nor the hour."

Matthew 25:13

# ORDER OF SERVICE

\*Worshippers who are able, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

Liturgist: Tony Horvath; Sermon: Tiffany Horvath, Director of Christian Education

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

**PRELUDE** "Gigue in D Major" Johann Pachelbel

### 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** "Small Suite for Bass and Piano: iv. Quasi Jazz" Alec Wilder  
Paul Hartmann, Bass

**INTROIT** "Processional in C" John Behnke  
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Arr. Kevin McChesney  
The Vesper Bells

## PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

### CALL TO WORSHIP

God above, we want to stay awake and be ready for you,  
**But we are tired and overcome with the usual routine.**  
We want to wait patiently for the fulfillment of your kindgom,  
**But we are frustrated by our need for immediate gratification.**  
Come to us again, O God.  
**Awaken us with your unexpected grace.**  
Shock us with your daring mercy  
**And set our feet on your path once more.**

**\*HYMN** "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" ENGELBERG  
At the 9:00 AM service, children are invited to come forward to the Chancel as the hymn ends.

1. When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, And a - do -  
2. How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found A new di -  
3. So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, In faith and  
4. Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! Let all re -  
ra - tion leaves no room for pride, It is as  
men - sion in the world of sound, As wor - ship  
love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, Borne wit - ness  
joyce who have a voice to raise! And may God  
though the whole cre - a - tion cried: Al - le - lu - ia!  
moved us to a more pro - found Al - le - lu - ia!  
to the truth in ev - ery tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!  
give us faith to sing al - ways: Al - le - lu - ia!

### 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

O Lord, we think we are ready for all that comes our way, but we are rarely ready for you. Forgive us, Lord, for trying to make you a planned event. Forgive us, Lord, for thinking we can schedule a time to be prepared for you. You are the external God who has always loved us and been ready to receive us. Let us this morning look at the priorities in our lives and see where we have placed you. 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 "Keep Your Lamps!" Arr. André Thomas  
The Sanctuary Choir

**\*HYMN** BOTH "Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

1. Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burn ing, give me oil in my lamp I pray; give me  
2. Give me joy in my heart, keep me sing - ing, give me joy in my heart I pray; give me  
oil in my lamp, keep me burn ing, keep me burn - ing till the break of day.  
joy in my heart, keep me sing - ing, keep me sing - ing till the break of day.  
Sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na to the King of kings!  
Sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na to the King.

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 25:1-13 The New Testament page 28

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

**SERMON** "Waking Up Is Hard To Do"

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*HYMN** "Rejoice! Rejoice! Believers" LLANGLOFFAN

1. Re - joice! Re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;  
2. See that your lamps are burn - ing; re - plen - ish them with oil;  
3. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;  
the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing and dark - er night is near.  
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.  
a - rise, thou Sun so longed - for, a - bove this shad - owed sphere!  
The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon he will draw nigh.  
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand;  
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see  
Up, watch with ex - pec - ta - tion; at mid - night comes the cry.  
a - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the Bride - groom is at hand!  
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** "Angel Tree Project" Doug Wells

### 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 "Keep Your Lamps!" Arr. André Thomas  
The Sanctuary Choir  
11:00 AM "Trumpet Voluntary" William Goodwin

### \*PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

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

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures  
here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;  
Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

\*Continued...