

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

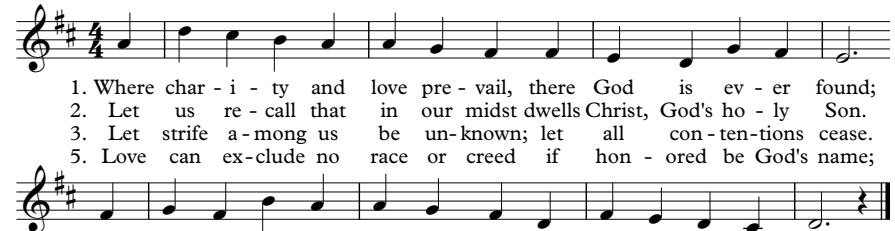
Rather than boast of all that we have, may we humble ourselves. We offer our lives, our hearts, and our gifts, so that everyone may discover the wonders of God's love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

## GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

### \*HYMN

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ST. PETER



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;  
2. Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.  
3. Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.  
5. Love can ex - clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;  
brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
As mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
our com - mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

### ANTHEM 9:00 AM

Aaronic Benediction  
The Sanctuary Choir

Julian Wachner

## CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE O CHRIST, SURROUND ME

God, be the love to search and keep me;

God, be the prayer to move my voice;

God, be the strength to now uphold me:

O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Walking behind to hem my journey,

Going ahead to light my way,

And from beneath, above, and all ways:

O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

### POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Psalm 150

Gerre Hancock

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018  
WORLDWIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY  
HOMECOMING SUNDAY  
PASTOR TIFFANY MCCLURE  
SERVICES OF WORSHIP AT 9:00 AND 11:00 AM

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

## 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.

Enjoy Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall this morning! All members and visitors are invited to stop by and say "hello." Today's Fellowship Hosts are Tony and Beth Runkle. If you are available to host fellowship hour on Sunday morning, please contact Frances Keller (563-508-7847), or leave a note at the Welcome Desk.

Childcare for anyone who needs it is provided from 8:45 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 provides music leadership this morning with a world premiere offering of "Allelu" a new a cappella work by John Gere. John is a member of the Sanctuary Choir and an ordained elder of the church.

This evening at 6 PM, the Sanctuary Choir and Celebration Singers provide music leadership for the Installation Service of Tiffany McClure. Next week, October 6, the Sanctuary Choir provides music for World Communion Sunday.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

Death: Rev. Herbert Chikomo, September 24, 2018

Prayers are Welcome for: Sophie Belman (daughter of Julie Belman); Blackman Family (death of wife & mother, Paddy); Sharon Boron (death of brother); Alice Chikomo and family (death of husband and father, Herbert); Robin Ciccotelli; Don Dyer; Gary Ewoldt and children (death of wife and mother, Sally); family of "Cam" Gass; Janessa George (nursery worker); Justin Ilg; Fiona Kane (daughter of Andrew and Heather Kane and granddaughter of Rocky and Stacy Kane); Rick & Carol Knowlton; Bob McCowan; Rev. Dr. Richard Miller and family (death of mother, Glenda); John Norton's niece and family; Dean Taylor Sr.; Delma Timm; families and victims of abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, and all recent natural disasters.

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

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

InTouch Information: If you or a loved one is unable to attend church services and would enjoy personal visits to your home or care facility and would like to be contacted by one of First Presbyterian's InTouch members, please contact Bev Koos (563-676-0292), Deacon of Pastoral Care Spiritual Development Committee.

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September 30, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION:

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22

Psalm 124

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

"Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth."

Psalm 124:8

The flowers in the chancel are given to the  
glory of God by Nancy Chapman.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Richard Miller; Sermon: Rev. Jerome Bizimana

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

**PRELUDE** Toccata in F, BWV 540 J.S. Bach

### 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** Berceuse Naji Hakim

## PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Our community has many wide streets to walk;

**God invites us to walk the road of service together.**

Our society suggests we put down roots in the shallow soil of greed.

**God plants us on the banks of hope, watered with joy and grace.**

Our culture promotes achievement and being the first in line.

**God tells us that we succeed by caring for each other as a family. Let us praise God together!**

**\*HYMN** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO

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

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry, Thou rul - est in light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes.  
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;  
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.  
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 Then with - er and per - sish; but naught chang - eth Thee.  
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 9:00 AM

## CONFESS TO A FORGIVING CREATOR

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** - Sing "Spirit of the Living God" one time.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me;  
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.  
 Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.  
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we often fall short of your call to service. Our desire for more possessions and acclaim tosses us about like leaves in the fall winds. We boast of our great wisdom, but do not understand your ways of peace. We do not plant ourselves in your hope and grace, and so reap harvests of disorder and conflict. Draw near to us, Gracious God, and forgive us. Teach us gentleness and the willingness to serve, so we might bring forth a harvest of righteousness in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing "Spirit of the Living God" 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

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly  
 Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er  
 shall be, world with - out end, A - men, A - men.

**ANTHEM** 11:00 AM Allelu "World Premiere" John Gere  
The Sanctuary Choir

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Psalm 124 *The Old Testament page 572*  
2 Corinthians 5:18-20 *The New Testament page 181*

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

**SERMON** Ministry of Reconciliation

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*HYMN** My Song Forever Shall Record PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

1. My song for - ev - er shall re - cord the ten - der mer - cies  
 2. I sing of mer - cies that en - dure, for - ev - er firm, for -  
 3. Al - might - y God, your loft - y throne has jus - tice for - its  
 4. With bless - ing is the na - tion crowned whose peo - ple know the

of the Lord; your faith - ful love will I pro -  
 ev - er sure, a strong sup - port that nev - er  
 cor - ner - stone, and shin - ing bright be - fore your  
 joy - ful sound; they in the light, O Lord, will

claim, and ev - ery age shall know your name.  
 dies, es - tab - lished change - less in the skies.  
 face are truth and love and bound - less grace.  
 live, the light your face and fa - vor give.

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** 9:00 AM A Closer Look - ACE Barb Ehrmann

### 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 Allelu "World Premiere" John Gere  
The Sanctuary Choir  
11:00 AM Pastorale Louis Vierne

### \*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.

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