

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

*Those who are able, please rise singing the Doxology - "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage."*

*Please see Hymn Insert*

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: Together we pray. **If our lives, our love, our gifts are not shared with others, the words we offer in prayer and praise are hollow. So receive what we offer, Holy God, and bless them in the work of that kingdom which values the people we ridicule, lifts up those we have stepped over, and brings hope and healing to all. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

## GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

### \*HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast

ERHALT UNS HERR

*Please see Hymn Insert*

**SENDING ANTHEM** 9:00 AM The Blessing of Aaron

Arr. Walter Rodby

The Sanctuary Choir

### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON



Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev-ery com-ing day, that



in your Spir - it strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

### POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Ein feste Burg"

Max Reger

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

REV. MARK GALBRAITH

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

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Psalms 119:137-144

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10

## WELCOME FRIENDS

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church.** We are an open and affirming congregation, and a proud member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians (covnetpres.org). People of all sexual orientations and gender identities are welcome here, along with their families. 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), a second AED is outside the Parlor kitchen in the Christian Education building, and a third is on the East wall of the hall between the library and Fellowship Hall.

**Celebration Station in Fellowship Hall this morning!** Today's celebration hosts are Hugh & Debby Stafford and they are celebrating fall. If you would like to host on a Sunday, please sign up in the office.

**Childcare for anyone who needs it is provided** from 8:30 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* and *Cherub Choir* provide music for worship this morning. The offertory/anthem is a setting of John Milton's paraphrase of Psalm 136 by the English composer Alan Ridout (1934-1996).

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Deaths:** Robin Ciccotelli, October 17, 2019

Don Dyer, October 20, 2019

**Prayers are Welcome for:** Gary and Anthony Ciccotelli and family (*death of wife and mother, Robin*); family of Don Dyer; Pastor Mark Galbraith and family (*death of father, Mike*); family of Jack Krch; Bob McCowan (*husband of Tammy Mayhew*); Dee Dee Mueller; the family of Brett Nelson (*friend of Pastor Mark*); Cathie Nichols; Marsha Pedersen; Karla Ruiter (*death of father Ron*); Duane Schipull; Janet Stensrud; 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; Veda Gill (*Presbyterian Education Board, Pakistan*).

**Hospital visits** by the Pastors 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 from one of First Presbyterian's InTouch members, please contact Bev Koos (563-676-0292), Deacon of Pastoral Care Spiritual Development Committee.

**The Prayer Chain** connects those in need of prayer with church members who are committed to a ministry of prayer. All requests may be directed to Mary Ann Francois (563-355-5292).

**Printed Prayer Requests** require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin. Printed requests are in the bulletin for one month. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to directly notify the church office (563-326-1691).

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1702 IOWA STREET, DAVENPORT, IOWA 52803

PH: (563) 326-1691 ■ www.fpcdavenport.org

October 27, 2019

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship at Nine and Eleven O'Clock in the Morning



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

1702 Iowa Street, Davenport, Iowa 52803

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Joel 2:23-32

Psalms 65

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

"Yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law."

Galatians 2:16

*The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of fall by Debbie and Hugh Stafford.*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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

*Liturgist: Nancy Chapman; Sermon: Rev. Mark Galbraith*

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

**PRELUDE** Prelude on “Ein feste Burg” Max Reger

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Katie Styr

**MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP** Sarah Greim

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

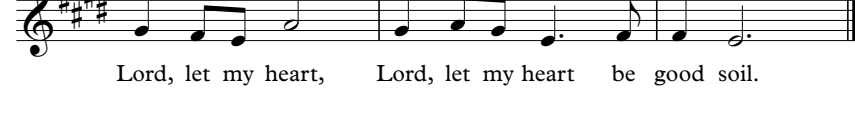
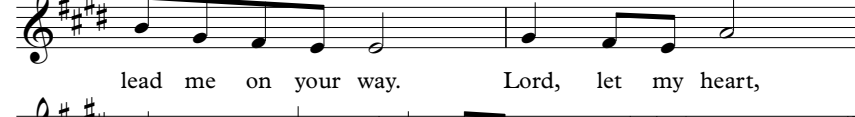
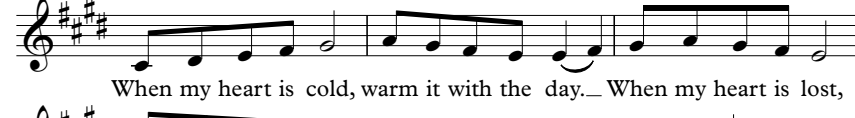
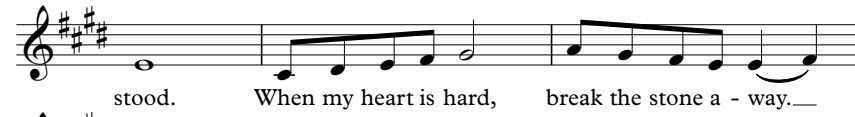
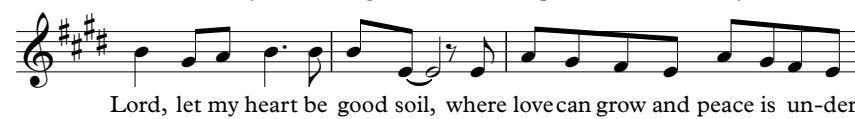
*Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude. The Bible, which has been placed near the outside door symbolizing its place in the world, is brought to the lectern from which lessons will be read, symbolizing the place of Scripture in Christian Worship.*

**PRELUDE** Toccata in D Minor, BWV 565 J.S. Bach

**INTROIT** 9:00 AM When You're Happy and You Know It  
The Cherub Choir

### \*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

#### Good Soil



## PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God, gracious Lord,

**We thank you that your Ever-Active Presence renews the church in every age.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people.

**Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on**

**the church your saving peace,**

Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

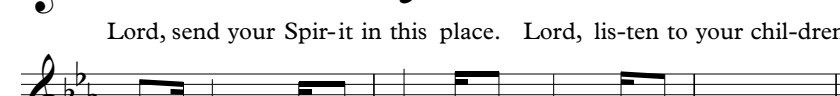
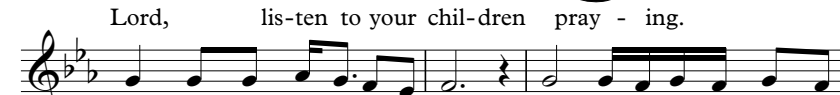
**Amen.**

**\*HYMN** A Mighty Fortress EIN FESTE BURG  
*Please see Hymn Insert*

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

## CONFESS TO A FORGIVING CREATOR

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** - Sing “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” one time.



### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: When we pray to God, do we do so with pride in what wonderful people we are, or with that humble hope which recognizes how we have not lived as God's children, and how we need God's forgiveness and grace in our lives? Join me as we pray to God, saying:

**Watching God, like the Pharisee, we think we can stick our thumbs into life, pull out a prayer, and congratulate ourselves for being such good Christians. Then, we remember the harsh words we have spoken this week, the hurt we have inflicted on someone we loved, the lack of compassion we failed to offer to someone who needed our help.**

**Forgive us, Gracious God, and deal gently with us. May we become more like the tax collector - humble, penitent, acknowledging our faulty lives to you. Then, may we receive the mercy promised to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” one time.*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Forgiven and healed, we open ourselves to the grace, the peace, the hope offered to us through our loving God. This is the good news we have received!

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

God makes peace within us,

**Let us claim it.**

God makes peace among us.

**Let us share it!**

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Ushers will pick up the “Joys & Concerns” slips.*

**\*GLORIA PATRI** Hymn 579

**ANTHEM** 11:00 AM Let Us with a Gladsome Mind Alan Ridout  
The Sanctuary Choir

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Galatians 2:15-31 *The New Testament page 188*  
John 8:31-38 *The New Testament page 101*

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** Free Indeed

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*HYMN** Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet

*Please see Hymn Insert*

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Selected from the Second Helvetic Confession*

Leader: Together we confess our faith. **The Church is an assembly of the faithful; a communion of all who truly know and serve God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit. They are all citizens of the one city, living under the same Lord and in the same fellowship of all good things. Since there is always one God, it necessarily follows that there is only one Church. It is universal, scattered through all parts of the world, and extended unto all times, and is not limited to any times or places. The Church is divided into different parts or forms; not because it is rent asunder in itself, but rather because it is distinguished by the diversity of the numbers that are in it.**

### 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 Let Us with a Gladsome Mind Alan Ridout  
The Sanctuary Choir

11:00 am Prière à Notre-Dame Léon Boëllmann

*\*Continued...*