

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

L: Together we pray: **Gracious God, we are so thankful for all you have entrusted to us. We offer to you in worship and in gratitude these gifts, with the prayer that through them, others lives will be touched by your love. Amen.**

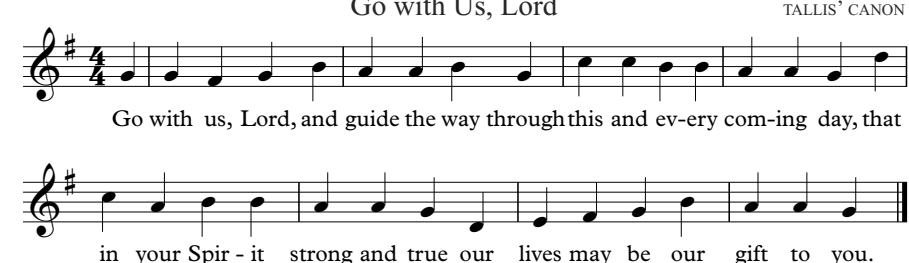
GO TO SERVE WITH GOD’S BLESSING

***HYMN** God, You Spin the Whirling Planets PLEADING SAVIOR
Please see Hymn Insert

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Go with Us, Lord TALLIS’ CANON



Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that
in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

POSTLUDE Hail Thee, Savior and Atoner! Naji Hakim

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 host is RuthAnn Tobey-Brown and she is celebrating her daughters’ birthdays. 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).

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers are Welcome for: Gary and Anthony Ciccotelli and family (*death of wife and mother, Robin*); family of Don Dyer; family of Jack Krch; Dee Dee Mueller; Cathie Nichols; Marsha Pedersen; Janet Stensrud; Duane 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; 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).

November 17, 2019
Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost
Worship at Nine and Eleven O’Clock in the Morning



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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Isaiah 65:17-25 Isaiah 12
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19

“Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.”
2 Thessalonians 3:13

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God by Andy, David, and Marty Bowles Edwards, with happy memories of Marty’s mother, Lea Bowles.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2019
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
REV. MARK GALBRAITH

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

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Luke 1:68-79
Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43

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ORDER OF SERVICE

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

Liturgist: Anna Putman; Sermon: Rev. Pat Halverson

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

PRELUDE Toccata in B minor Eugène Gigout

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mark Galbraith

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 Scherzando Naji Hakim

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.
 Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der
 stood. When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way...
 When my heart is cold, warm it with the day... When my heart is lost,
 lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,
 Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 98

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord, joining with all the earth;
breaking forth into joyous song and praises.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands;

Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord.

God is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

***HYMN** How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION
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.

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing.
 Lord, send your Spir-it in this place. Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren
 pray - ing. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Together we pray: **God of heaven and earth, we believe in you as creator of all things, and ultimate judge of all. But in our day to day living, we worry when we can't have control, or respond in anger when others take control away from us. But this day, as we see the larger picture from the texts we will read, help us be mindful of our sins, and trust you for forgiveness. May our faith be strengthened as we again place ourselves into loving hands. May our resolve to help others, and not just ourselves, also be strengthened in light of your purposes and our future with you. In Christ we pray, Amen.**

Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" 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!

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

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.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2 Thessalonians 3:6-15 *The New Testament page 206*
Luke 21:5-19 *The New Testament page 85*

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Coping When It's Out of Control

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN** My Song Forever Shall Record PUER NOBIS NASCITUR
Please see Hymn Insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

L: God has made us his people through our baptism in the Christ. Living together in trust and hope we can confess our faith: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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.

Burletta Naji Hakim

*PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

Those who are able, please rise singing the Doxology - Hymn Tune: OLD HUNDREDDTH, 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...*