Worship Outline – October 4, 2020
(27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Prelude *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness* Johannes Brahms

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Let our ears hear their telling and our eyes see the beauty that surrounds us.

Let our voices echo through all the earth;

And our praises resound to the end of the world. Let us worship God!

Opening Hymn *God of the Ages* NATIONAL HYMN

God of the ages, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence
Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine

Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you provide manna in the wilderness. We hear these stories, but they are only stories to us. Still, we aim to provide for ourselves. We don't trust that your provisions will be sufficient. Forgive us for our narrow view of achievement.

Help us to see that all that we have is from you, and all that we have is loss if we do not have faith. Give us courage and strength to press on toward the goal of righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, knowing that we cannot achieve it on our own. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Our salvation does not depend on anything we have done, but comes from the grace of God alone. This is the good news:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Response *Glory Be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be
World without end. Amen. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Pass the peace by texting or emailing a church or family member, friend, relative, or loved one.

First Reading Numbers 11:1-9

Anthem *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord* Felix Mendelssohn

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee
He never will suffer the righteous to fall; he is at thy right hand
Thy mercy, Lord, is great and far above the heav'ns
Let non be made ashamed that wait upon thee

Second Reading Philippians 3:4b-14

The Word Proclaimed **Tim Reynolds**

Affirmation of Faith – The Vision Statement of 2nd Presbyterian Church

Responding in gratitude to God's love and grace, we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community, following Jesus and serving him in the world.

Time for Reflection *Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving* Brahms

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* RENDEZ A DIEU

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on
Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone
For by the life and death of Jesus, Love's mighty Spirit now as then
Can make for us a world of difference as faith and hope are born again

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past, and leave behind
Our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find
Christ is alive and goes before us to show and share what love can do
This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new

Benediction & Response

Postlude *Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices* arr. Paul Manz