

# Order of Worship

## February 16, 2025

### Sixth Sunday after Epiphany



#### Prelude

*Peace in My Soul*, Hughes

#### Call to Worship (Responsive)

based on *Psalms* 1

One: Like trees planted by streams of water

**All: Let us trust in the Lord**

One: and meditate on God's Word

**All: so we can serve the Lord with courage and yield good fruit in God's name.**

#### Hymn No. 275

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Sustaining God, you lead us through parched wilderness to streams of living water, but we do not root ourselves in health and wholeness. We ignore your rich provisions, choosing the world's latest fad and shallow self-help. We ignore the deep needs of our souls and the cries of the vulnerable. Forgive our arrogance and our ignorance. Remind us of the many ways you are here to provide so that we might serve you with renewed faithfulness. Amen.

#### Moment for Silent Confession

#### Kyrie No. 551

*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*

#### Declaration of Forgiveness

#### Gloria No. 581

*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

#### Prayer for Illumination

#### First Reading

*Luke 6:17-26*

#### Anthem

*He Leadeth Me*, arr. Wegner (11:00 a.m.)

#### Word to Grow By

#### Second Reading

*Jeremiah 17:5-10*

## Sermon

*Like a Tree Planted by Water*, Rev. Dr. Kathy Wolf Reed

## Hymn No. 792

*There Is a Balm in Gilead* (11:00 a.m.)

## Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

adapted from *The Confession of Belhar*

We believe...

- that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged
- that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
- that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
- that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly...
- that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
- that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream...

We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things... Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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## Offertory

*Are Ye Able?* Lorenz (11:00 a.m.)

## Doxology No. 606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## Prayer of Dedication

## Communion

(9:00 a.m.)

## Hymn No. 295

*Go to the World!*

## Benediction

## Postlude

*Postludium*, Trusselle

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Liturgist: Donna Yeager.

## Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

*New to the Presbyterian Church USA?* We would love to share with you more about our Reformed tradition of theology and worship.

*New to Auburn, or simply new to this congregation?* We'd love to share with you more about the rich history of this church and its valuable contributions to the Auburn community.

*Searching for a church home?* We would love to join you in that search and help discern whether First Presbyterian may be where God is calling you to be nurtured, inspired, and empowered.

Please take a moment to fill out our [online Friendship Register](#) or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors