

Order of Worship

October 13, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



Prelude

Prelude on a Familiar Hymn, Johnston

Call to Worship (Responsive)

from Psalm 136:1-3

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good, for God's steadfast love endures forever.

All: O give thanks to the God of gods, for God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

All: for God's steadfast love endures forever. Let us worship God!

Hymn No. 23

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Stewardship

Susan Stanley & Jeff Yost

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious and merciful God, we often wonder what we must do to be right with you. The gospel tells us what you have done for us in Jesus Christ to make us right with you. We establish rules and try to follow them to win your love. You call us to trust in your grace and promises in Jesus Christ. We strive for security by piling up the things of this life. Jesus says, "Come, follow me." Lord, forgive our self-centeredness that seeks our well-being while we ignore the needs of others. Forgive our relying on ourselves rather than accepting fully Jesus's call to discipleship. Help us to seek your kingdom and righteousness first in our lives. Through Jesus Christ, 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

Hebrews 4:12-16

Anthem

Acclamation of Assurance, arr. Martin (11:00 a.m.)

Word to Grow By

(11:00 a.m.)

Second Reading

Mark 12:38-44

Sermon

A Future with Hope, Rev. Dr. Kathy Wolf Reed

Hymn No. 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (11:00 a.m.)

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

from *A Declaration of Faith*

Jesus broadened the definition of neighbor to include those ordinarily despised and excluded. His life in behalf of others led to persecution and death. He commanded his disciples to live the same way. We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives that recognize all people in all cultures as our neighbors on this planet. Christ teaches us to go beyond legal requirements in serving and helping our neighbor, to treat our neighbor's needs as our own, to care passionately for the other's good, to share what we have. It is part of our discipline to live in simplicity, avoiding greed and luxury that threaten our neighbor's survival. We are obligated to speak the truth in love, to listen with patience and openness, to love our enemies, to accept the risk and pain which love involves.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymnal p. 35

Offertory

Chaconne in Ancient Style, Powell

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. 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Benediction

Postlude

An Affirmation of Faith, Smith

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Matthew and Sarah Wolak to celebrate the memory of John Wolak.

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