

# Order of Worship

November 5, 2023

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Prelude

*High in the Heavens, Eternal God, Ritter*

## Call to Worship (Responsive)

*Psalm 34*

One: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**All: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: Magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

**All: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears... taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. Let us worship God!**

## Hymn No. 32

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

## Welcome and Announcements

## Minute for Stewardship

Jessica Barnes and Susan Stanley

## Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Beloved God, who was known to our parents and grandparents, and to the many generations who walked this road before us, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Give us wisdom to learn from the stories of Scripture and courage to answer the call of your Spirit here and now. 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

*Matthew 5:1-12*

**Anthem**

*Shine Like the Sun*, arr. Black; Dr. Sinyoung Kim, violinist (11:00 a.m.)

This tender setting of the Scottish folk song "Wild Mountain Thyme" is a celebration of those beloved saints who have gone before us into the light of eternity.

**Word to Grow By****Second Reading**

*Joshua 3:7-17*

**Sermon**

*Living with Death*, Rev. Dr. Kathy Wolf Reed

**Hymn No. 836**

*Abide with Me* (11:00 a.m.)

**Affirmation of Faith** (Unison)

*The Apostles' Creed*, Hymnal p. 35

**Prayers of the People**

We remember today those church members we have lost in the past year: Vonda Ball, Margaret Davis, Phil Garrett, Jean Lancaster, Liz Lindahl, Ed Lee Spencer, Jeffrey Stewart

**Offertory**

*Jesus Calls Us*, Jude (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.*

**Communion**

(9:00 a.m.)

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer**

Hymnal p. 35

**Hymn No. 326**

*For All the Saints*

**Benediction****Postlude**

*When Morning Gilds the Sky*, Barnby

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Liturgist: Ben Stewart

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
by Anne May in loving memory of her husband, James E. May, Jr.

**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