

# Order of Worship

## August 20, 2023

### Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



#### Prelude

*Hear Me as I Pray, Peterson*

#### Call to Worship (Responsive)

*from Psalm 67*

One: May God's face shine upon us.

**All: Let the people praise you, O God.**

One: May God continue to bless us.

**All: Let all the ends of the earth revere God.**

#### Hymn No. 10

*Sing Glory to the Name of God*

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, you know no boundaries, no borders, no walls. Despite this, we see the world as "us versus them." We draw lines in the sand, and we assume that you are on our side and no one else's. Help us to redraw the lines that keep others at a distance, O God. Keep us open and humble to the ways you are with all people, and make us bold enough to proclaim your grace and love cannot be limited by anyone. We confess our sins, but we have hope that your mercy is always unfolding around us. In Christ's name we pray, 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

*Isaiah 56:1, 6-8*

#### Anthem

*Thyself in Me, Courtney (11:00 a.m.)*

**Word to Grow By**

**Second Reading**

*Matthew 15:10-28*

**Sermon**

*Spiraling*, Rev. Caroline Barnett

**Hymn No. 716**

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* (11:00 a.m.)

**Affirmation of Faith** (Unison)

*The Apostles' Creed*, Hymnal p. 35

**Prayers of the People**

**Offertory**

*Solace*, Callendar (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. 766**

*The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Recessional in D*, Mansfield

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Liturgist: Terry Ley

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God  
in honor of Jessica and Robbie Barnes' 28<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**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