

Order of Worship
September 6, 2026
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *He Is Thy Salvation*, Otis

Call to Worship (Responsive) *Psalm 119*
One: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.
All: Walk in the paths of God's commandments with delight.
One: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.
All: With our whole heart, we will turn to you and live!

Hymn No. 336 *We Gather Together*

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Lord God, we have judged others harshly, unfairly and casually. We tend to focus on the sin and brokenness of others, rather than on the growth and work we are called to. We've made assumptions about what others want and need, robbing them of the freedom to speak for themselves. We've tuned out the voices bold enough to express views that are different from ours. We've relied upon your grace, time and time again, while hastily denying that you are eager to give it not only to us, but to our enemies, also. Help us to see others as you see them; help us to see you with faith and trust. 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 *I Corinthians 12:12-26*

Word to Grow By

Anthem *Surely the Lord Is in This Place* (11:00)

Second Reading *Matthew 18:15-20*

Sermon *Reconciliation and Restoration*, Rev. Nick Reed

Hymn No. 394 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Affirmation of Faith (Unison) from *The Confession of 1967*, Inclusive Language Version
…New life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

The new life does not release people from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear. They still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as they mature in love and faithfulness in their life with Christ, they live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Hymnal p. 35

Offertory *Teach Us Thy Ways*, Frick (11:00)

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)

Hymn No. 307 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Benediction

Postlude *Rondo Gioioso*, Hassler

Liturgist: Anne Leader

The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Don and Marcia McChesney by their daughters, Betty, Anne, Susan, and Jane.

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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