

Order of Worship

July 20, 2025

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



Prelude

Paraphrase on "O Store Gud," Hughes

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: God calls us here to worship. We carry many worries and are distracted by many things, but in this time and place, we are invited to set them aside.

All: We remember who we are: We are the body of Christ. We remember whose we are: We are God's beloved children.

One: We remember our chief purpose:

All: To glorify and enjoy God forever. Let us worship God!

Hymn No. 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Harriette Huggins (9:00), Dibba Spears (11:00)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy God, we are pulled in many different directions. We are quick to point fingers and pass judgment. We are distracted by our fears. We fear the loss of health, safety, and financial security.

We are lost in our tasks, leaving us with less time and energy for what is most important.

We confess that distraction is easier than discipleship, and that we embrace it because it's easier than sitting at Jesus's feet, learning what it means to follow him.

Forgive us. Help us discern and choose the better path as we seek to follow Christ, in whose 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

Psalms 15

Word to Grow By

Special Music

His Eye Is on the Sparrow, Tyra Crowe, soloist

Second Reading

Luke 10:38-42

Sermon

When the Bell Tolls, Rev. Dr. Kathy Wolf Reed

Hymn No. 175

Seek Ye First (11:00)

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

from *A Declaration of Faith*

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time. It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work, celebrating with our family in Christ the Lord's goodness. We need constantly to search out God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal p. 35

Offertory

Here in Thy Presence, Abt (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. 634

To God Be the Glory

Benediction

Postlude

Faith Leads Us Onward, Scott

Liturgist: Anne Leader

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Todd and Elizabeth White in loving memory of their mothers, Joan Brasse White and Olivia Hart Harrison.

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