

Order of Worship

January 29, 2023

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



Prelude

Abiding Love, Callendar

Call to Worship (Responsive)

from *Psalms* 27

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation — whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life — of whom shall I be afraid?

One: I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

All: Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

Hymn No. 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

You have told us what is good, O God. Your hopes for us are clear. And yet we live as though it is unclear what you would have us do. We live as though we were not the recipients of grace upon grace. We have withheld what is not our own. We have judged where it was not our place. We have sinned by what we have done and what we have failed to do. We know that we have sinned. We seek your forgiveness and your reconciliation and strength that we may follow in the way you would have us go. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

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.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Micah 6:1-8

Word to Grow By

(11:00 a.m.)

Anthem

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

Second Reading

I Corinthians 1:18-31

Sermon

Faithful and Foolish, Rev. Kathy Reed

Hymn No. 693

Though I May Speak (11:00 a.m.)

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

from *A Declaration of Faith*

God created human beings with a need for community and with freedom to enter into it by responding to their Maker with grateful obedience and to one another with love and helpfulness. We believe that we have been created to relate to God and each other in freedom and responsibility. We may misuse our freedom and deny our responsibility by trying to live without God and other people or against God and other people. Yet we are still bound to them for our life and well-being, and intended for free and responsible fellowship with them. We are to respect and love all other people and ourselves as well.

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Reflections, Moore (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

Hymn No. 826

Lift High the Cross

Benediction

Postlude

Peace to All Nations, Turner

Liturgist: Terry Ley

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