

Order of Worship

February 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Prelude

Call to Worship (Responsive)

from *Psalms* 37

One: Take delight in the Lord, who satisfies the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord and trust in God's actions.

All: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for God. The Lord is our salvation and our refuge in times of trouble. Let us worship God.

Hymn No. 687 (verses 1-4)

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (11:00 a.m.)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your ways or trusted your promises. We love only those who love us; we show kindness only to those who are kind to us; we give only when we expect to receive. Forgive us, Lord. Fill our hearts with your selfless love. Change our lives by your matchless grace. These things we pray through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Word to Grow By

(11:00 a.m.)

Special Music

There Is a Balm in Gilead, Emily Crowe, soloist

Second Reading

Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

A Call and a Promise, Rev. Nick Reed

Affirmation of Faith (Unison) from *The Confession of 1967 (inclusive)*

...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.

Communion (9:00 a.m.)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (11:00 a.m.)

Hymn No. 716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

Benediction

Postlude

Liturgist: Karen Herring

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