

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 02, 2018 · 10:00 AM

(* Those who are able, please stand. Large print hymnals, Sunday Worship hymn sheets & Bulletins & wireless hearing aids available. Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Air" Wesley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader... Who may abide in the presence of God?

People.. Who may live on God's holy mountain?

Leader... All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

People.. All those who speak truth from their heart.

All Let us worship God!

*HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" # 464

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Bill Nee

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**God of light, we confess that, like your people long ago,
our actions don't measure up to our intentions.**

**We honor you with our lips,
but we do not always live for you.**

**We are satisfied with human traditions
and fail to live your truth.**

**We have confused meekness with weakness,
holiness with social conformity,
and anger with righteousness.**

Forgive us, we pray.

**By the power of your word save us from self-deception
so we may serve you truly;
through Jesus our Lord.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Glory Be to the Father" # 579

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

GOSPEL READING Mark 7:1-7, 14-23

"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 32

SPECIAL "Resurrection Hymn" Nathan Howe
MUSIC Men's Ensemble

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 1:17-27
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 179

CHILDREN'S TALK Pastor Sam

SERMON
*HYMN "Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation" # 516

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed
(Ecumenical pg 14 in front of Hymnal)

OFFERING Invitation

Offertory Music "Verset" Raffy

Song of Praise "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 592
**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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Each communion tray has a dish of rice cake pieces for those who avoid wheat products

Invitation to the Table

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you / **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts / **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues and concludes with The Lord's Prayer

...using "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

Communion of the People

*HYMN "When Will People Cease Their Fighting" # 410

*BENEDICTION – concluding with
Pastor: ... God is good **People:All the time!**

*SUNG RESPONSE
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day,
That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.**

POSTLUDE "Hymn to Joy" arr Hopson

Welcome Visitors. Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you find in the pew rack. Pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher! Be sure share a cup of coffee with us today during our fellowship time immediately after Worship

Mission Statement: First Presbyterian Church exists to improve our understanding of Christ; to spread His word and teachings; and to reach out to our church family, our community, and the world through acts of compassion, kindness, and love

A Staffed Nursery & Toddler Care Room is located on the 1st floor behind the sanctuary. We also offer an optional Quiet Room for parents with small children located in the sanctuary back

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers are led by Jim Henderson. Sep 09: Don Hanson

Layreader is Bill Nee. Sep 09: Jack Grow

Worship Recorder is Katrina Schell. Sep 09: Valerie Wood

Deacon Ramp Duty is Bruce Warcup. Sep 09: Mary Lou Talley

Coffee Break is between Worship Services in our parlor

Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List: Al & Carol Drumluk, & Three Steeples United Church, Paris

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today.....8:30 am Early Worship Service
Coffee Break in parlor

10:00 am Worship Service

Mon..... Offices Closed for Holiday

Tues..... Church Office Closed for Vacation

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry/Crafty Ladies

7:00 pm Serenity Circle resumes

Sat10:00 am Nursery School Open House

NEXT SUNDAYMark 7:24-37; James 2:1-10, 14-17
Fair Trade Sales

Serenity Circle weekly meetings will begin on Tuesday Sept 4th at 7:00 in the church parlor. Our theme of study for this year is Community.