

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 03, 2017 · 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 "Gavot with Variations" Dupuis

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader .... God says: "Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you.  
I have called you by name. You are mine.

**People.... When you cross deep rivers, you will not drown.  
When you walk through fire, you shall not be burned.**

Leader .... For I am your God, the Holy One, your Savior.  
You are precious in my sight and I love you.

**People.... So do not fear, for I am with you.  
No matter where you are scattered,  
I will bring you home.**

**All ..... I created you for my glory. I made each one of you.  
You are mine."**

\*HYMN "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" # 379

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Harold Barry

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**Our God, we come in humility,  
confessing who and what we are.**

**We are often unresponsive for we are afraid.**

**When your Spirit speaks, we turn deaf ears,  
for we fear what you might call us to do.**

**When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths,  
embarrassed to speak your Word.**

**When the wind of your Spirit blows,  
we close the windows of our hearts,  
afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives.**

**When the fire of your Spirit touches us,  
we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring.**

**Forgive us, O Lord.**

**Touch us with your Spirit, that we might be changed.**

**Break through our self-centeredness and create us anew.**

**Give us a heart to love and to serve you this day.**

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:1-2, 15-21  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" OT Page 520

SPECIAL "Vivace" Telemann  
MUSIC Maddie Garcia, Flute

GOSPEL READING Luke 11:5-13  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 55

CHILDREN'S TALK **Meow, Scratch, and Whine**

SERMON **Faith That Changes Us**

\*HYMN "Fight the Good Fight" # 307

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

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Miniature 18" Howell

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer...using debts and debtors

\*HYMN "If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee" # 282

\*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 "Little Prelude in B<sup>b</sup> Major" attrib JS Bach

Please welcome Helen Tracy to the pulpit in Sam's absence

**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

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today....10:00 am ..... Worship Begins followed by Coffee Break

Mon..... Church Offices Closed for Holiday

Tues.....10:00 am ..... Prayer Shawl & Crafty Ladies

7:00 pm ..... Serenity Circle resumes

Wed..... Theresa Party Donation Deadline Please

7:30 pm ..... Senior Choir resumes

Thurs .....7:00 am ..... Western Pastor Group

3:00 pm ..... Bible Study resumes

Fri ..... 7:00 pm ..... Rockin' the Spirit at Westernville Pres

Sat .....10:00 am ..... Nursery School Open House

**NEXT SUNDAY**....Matthew 18:15-20; Romans 13:8-14, Communion  
9:45am Hymn Sing, Activity Period Resumes  
Mary Mowry Scholarship Collection, Theresa Party  
Church School for Adults resumes

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Ushers/Greeters/Acolytes:** Don Hanson; Sep 10: Dave Scaccia

**Layreader** is Harold Barry; Sep 10: Michelle Dolan

**Worship Recorder** is Shari Fish. Sep 10: Sue Davidson

**Deacon Ramp Duty** is Gail Tucker. Sep 10: Sue Hanson

**Coffee Break** is immediately after 10am worship in our parlor. Join us for fellowship and refreshments! Please help clean up if you are able

**Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List:** Marcie & Dan Ferens; The Family of Marion Webster; Jim, Ellen, Mary Kate & Erin Kennedy and Three Steeples United Church, Paris