

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017 · 10:00 AM**

*(\*) Those who are able, please stand.*

*Large print hymnals, bulletins & wireless hearing aids available*

*Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** Choral Prelude on arr Hastings  
"Savior, Like a Shepherd"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader .... The Lord is good!

**People.... God's steadfast love endures forever.**

**All ..... Let us worship our good and faithful God!**

\*HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" # 276

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Bill Nee

Invitation  
Unison Prayer

**Holy God,  
you are the one who brought us out of the land of Egypt,  
out of the house of slavery.**

**And yet our trust in you is fragile,  
easily eroded by indifference and forgetfulness.**

**Our trust is fragile,  
easily broken by impatience and disappointment.**

**Our trust is fragile,  
easily replaced by gods of our own making —  
self-sufficiency, independence and pride.**

**Lord, have mercy on us, through Christ, 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 Matthew 22:1-14 NT Page 19  
"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!"

**ANTHEM** "The Lord Is My Shepherd" Sarah Moore  
Youth Choir · Maddie Garcia, Flute

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:1-9  
"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!" NT Page 153

CHILDREN'S TALK Pastor Sam  
(4yr to Gr1 invited upstairs to Activity Period in 203. Children leave through front exits)

**SERMON**

\*HYMN "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" Handout

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

OFFERING

Invitation

**Offertory Music** "All Things Bright and Beautiful" John Rutter  
Youth Choir

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 "Guide My Feet" # 354

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

\*SUNG RESPONSE (Choir starts followed by Congregation)  
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** "Postlude in D" Willan

**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 followed by Coffee Break  
11:15 am ..... Church School  
Noon ..... Youth Choir  
1:00 pm ..... Hunger Walk Registration / Walk at 2pm  
Mon.....9:00 am ..... Country Fair White Elephant Setup  
Tues..... ..... Rescue Mission Cook (Bruce Warcup Capt)  
10:00 am ..... Prayer Shawl Ministry/Crafty Ladies  
5:00 pm ..... Support the Hunger Walk – Eat at Wendy's  
7:00 pm ..... Serenity Circle in parlor  
Trustees meet  
Wed.....9:00 am ..... Wed AM Club in Choir Room  
4:20 pm ..... Rescue Mission Serve  
6:30 pm ..... Bell Choir  
7:30 pm ..... Senior Choir  
Thurs ..... 3:00 pm ..... Afternoon Bible Study  
BIB Packing  
6:00 pm ..... Mission Committee meets  
7:00 pm ..... CE Committee meets  
Sat .....9:00 am ..... Fall Country Fair begins

**NEXT SUNDAY**....Matthew 22:15-22; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
JOY serves at Loaves & Fishes

**SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS LOCATION**

**Church School Youth: 11:15–Noon**

*(Nursery Available on the First Floor – Room 107)*

Multi-Age Group..... Room 206

Grades 7 - 12 ..... Room 201

"The Apostles' Creed" ..... Choir Room

**Adult Education:** 10/15 & 22 – Apostles' Creed: where did it come from; what are its main themes; what variations are there; what aspects of Christian faith does it not address? Led by Michelle Dolan

**The Nursery School Board** invites you to continue to make a donation to the Mary Mowry Memorial Scholarship Fund. Envelopes are in the pews. The Board has awarded over \$12,000 throughout the years. Young families appreciate the assistance. Please make checks payable to: The First Presbyterian Church noting Mary Mowry Scholarship in memo line