

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2020

10:00 A.M.

Psalm 23

#### THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue 3 in D minor Felix Mendelssohn

CHIMING THE HOUR

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

People: He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of

righteousness for his name's sake.

Leader: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow

of death, I will fear no evil:

People: For thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they

comfort me.

Leader: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of

mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the

days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the

Lord forever.

HYMN No. 487 When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord of the Kingdom,

We confess that we resist entering your realm despite the many opportunities you afford us.

We hear your call but we fail to answer.

We receive your invitation but we never respond.

We acknowledge your summons but choose to stay home.

Forgive our hesitations, Lord. We pray that you will hold the door open just a little bit longer. We quietly ache for the courage to claim our place at your heavenly banquet. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends—Hear the good news of our salvation:

By the power of God's love we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

GLORIA PATRI Hymn No. 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.

## THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

ANTHEM I Surrender All Moses Hogan

## THE WORD OF GOD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives;

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:1-14

The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son.

**SERMON** Be Our Guest Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

# **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Offertory Prayer Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### SENDING FORTH

HYMN No. 441 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST.THOMAS

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Allegro Moderato E Serioso (Sonata no. 1) Mendelssohn

# WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THANK YOU to each of you for celebrating my 20 year anniversary with me. I appreciate all the cards, flowers, gifts, money, texts, emails, and the sweet recognition given to me at last Sunday's service. You all mean more to me than you know. I plan to stay around for the next 20!

-Kristy Vincent

# YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) – Wednesdays at 6:32pm via Zoom. No Youth on October 14 due to Fall Break. We will return to outdoor, in-person gatherings on October 21.

RENEW: SPECIAL 1-DAY VBS: Did you miss summer VBS? Join us Sunday, October 18, from 3-6 pm for a special, one-day event. Get ready for songs, crafts, and a whole lot of fun! This event is for children AND youth. We will have a children's track for the little ones and a youth track for our middle schoolers. Families are welcome to have dinner and attend a closing ceremony from 5:30-6:00 pm. To RSVP or to volunteer, please contact Michael at 618-979-6320 or mischulte.14@gmail.com

# THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:10 a.m. Fall Book Club

Monday

6:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study with Michael

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Christian Education Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday** 

9:00 a.m. Preschool

9:00 a.m. Meeting of the Presbytery (online)

**Friday** 

5:30 p.m. Compassionate Hands Meal at Spain House

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Schneider/Frazier Wedding

## **ELDERS**

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Pat Bone	Suanne Bone	Becky Burris
Robin Orewiler	Don Goodwin	Jessica Fain
Wayne Patton	Adrienne Johnson	Mickey Stueck
Kim Wall	David Howell	•

#### DIACONATE

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Sondra Bishop	Becky Harm	Jack Emmert
Marty Bone	Lee Lyle	Marilyn Peyton
Linda Gatlin	Sandra Patton	Laura Simmons
Pat Hatcher	<b>Emily Peyton</b>	Margaret Ann Trail

#### **CHURCH COMMITTEES**

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – John Foutch
Budget & Finance –
Buildings and Grounds – David Howell
Christian Education – Mickey Stueck
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson
Outreach – Robin Orewiler
Personnel –
Worship – Pat Bone

#### **STAFF**

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Director of Music – Branson Clark
Organist – J. D. Plant
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children
Nursery
Adult
Atypical Class
Preschool – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
Elementary Class
Middle School Class
High School Class
Westminster Class
Women's Class

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