

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
16th Sunday after Pentecost, 10:00 a.m. Sept 5th, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 146

Leader: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

People: I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Leader: Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

People: When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

Leader: Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the LORD their God;

People: who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

Leader: who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

People: The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

Leader: The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

People: The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN “Shine, Jesus Shine” (see insert)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Just God, you are even-handed in your justice and in the day of judgement will not play favorites. We confess that we are not so fair in our dealings. We are often unduly impressed by those we like or those with power and influence in our lives. We excuse in them what we would condemn in those we dislike, or those we consider unworthy, or powerless. Forgive our partiality and neglect of people needing advocacy and friendship through the friend of sinners, Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

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.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC “Just as I Am” Leah Metzger

SCRIPTURE READING James 2:1-17

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 7:24-37

SERMON The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis

HYMN OF MEDITATION “Who Am I” (see insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

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, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, 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.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*SENDING HYMN "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Leading Worship: The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis, Pastor; Juanita Ratliff, liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director/Special Music.

Announcements

Called Session Meeting Tues Sept 7th 7pm

Art and Fellowship Wed at 10 am

Monday Morning Yoga 10 am

Prayer Meeting Thursdays 9:30 am in the church office



First Presbyterian Church

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"The Canaanite Woman asks for healing"
Juan, de Flandes

“Who Am I”

Who am I, that the Lord of all the earth, would care to know my name, would care to feel my hurt. Who am I, that the Bright and Morning Star, would choose to light the way, for my ever wandering heart.

Not because of who I am, but because of what You've done.
Not because of what I've done but because of who You are.
I am a flower quickly fading. Here today and gone tomorrow.
A wave tossed in the ocean.
A vapor in the wind. Still You hear me when I'm calling. Lord,
You catch me when I'm falling. And You've told me who I am... I
am Yours, I am Yours.

Who am I, that the eyes that see my sin, would look on me with love and watch me rise again. Who am I, that the voice that calmed the sea, would call out through the rain, and calm the storm in me.

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A vapor in the wind. Still You hear me when I'm calling. Lord,
You catch me when I'm falling. And You've told me who I am. I
am Yours, I am Yours, I am Yours
'Cause I am Yours, I am Yours

“Shine, Jesus Shine”

Lord, the light of your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining. Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us. Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence. From the shadows into your radiance. By the blood I may enter your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me. Shine, Jesus, shine. Fill this land with the Father's glory.

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Flow, river, flow Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness So our faces display your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory Mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me. Shine, Jesus, shine fill this land with the Father's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze. Set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow. Flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth your word Lord, and let there be light.

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

The name of Jesus, charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.

Christ speaks and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.