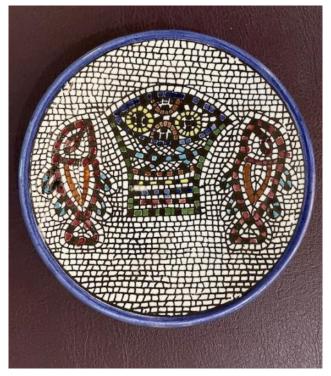
July 28, 2024 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 11:00am — Sanctuary



"Ancient Tile Floor where the Feeding of the 5000 took place" Near the Sea of Galilee



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

Thank you for joining us today! We're grateful for your presence and invite you to take part in our worship, mission, and programs. Please join us after worship for coffee, cookies, and punch in our fellowship hall, called McKay Hall. Just follow the crowd, and you cannot miss it! Livestreaming is available to watch via the website or YouTube, but we know this is no substitute for the community built through in-person connections. We're glad you're here!

Rev. Dr. Anne Epling (she/her), Rev. Carrie Winebrenner (she/her)

Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An (he/him), and Rev. Ann Pitman (she/her)

Please silence and put away your cellphone as you enter this worship space.

*Those who are able, please stand

Congregation responds in bold

GATHERING

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart Robert A. Hobby

Tolling of the Hour

Welcome

Call to Worship

Why have you come to this place?

We have come to find Jesus.

Why have you come today?

We are tired in body and spirit.

Jesus bids you sit and be at ease.

We are hungry with nothing to eat.

Come and eat your fill.

But there are only five barley loaves and two fish.

There is plenty for all.

Will we find wholeness here?

Jesus gathers the fragments of our lives, that nothing may be lost.

Come! Let us worship our God!

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Generous God whose giving knows neither measure nor end, we confess that all too often, we have kept our hearts, hands, and minds firmly closed.

Forgive us for those times when our wants and wishes have filled the horizon to the exclusion of all else and made us blind and deaf to the needs and concerns of others.

Forgive us for those moments when the fear that sharing what we have will lead to our own impoverishment has kept us silent and still when those around us are in need.

Forgive us for those situations when seeing only a problem, rather than daring to dream a solution, has left us fettered and powerless where we might have been building your kin-dom.

Help us to transcend self-centeredness, greed, and fear and always to feel, think, and act as those who know the hope that is rooted in the generous giving of God.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Through the power of the Holy Spirit within us, God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. So, hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

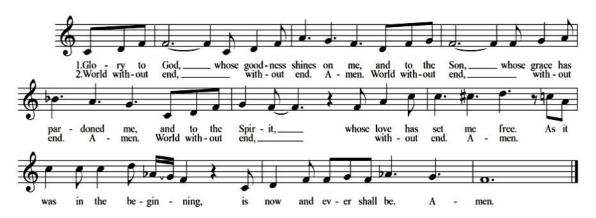
*Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

As you are comfortable, we invite you to take a moment to share the Peace of Christ with those around you with a smile, wave, or other signs of connection.

*Responsive Hymn No. 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Palmer/Mason

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away; O let me from this day be wholly thine. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire. While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day; wipe sorrow's tears away; nor let me ever stray from thee aside. When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll; blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul.

Gospel Reading

John 6:1-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "What do you Hunger for?"

Rev. Ann Pitman

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the giver of grain and bread, in Jesus Christ, the bread of life broken for us, and in the Holy Spirit, God's nourishing power in every grain and loaf. I believe that Christ is to be leaven in us, so that we may offer the bread of life to the hungers of every human heart. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn No. 498 Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

BEACH SPRING

Announcements

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

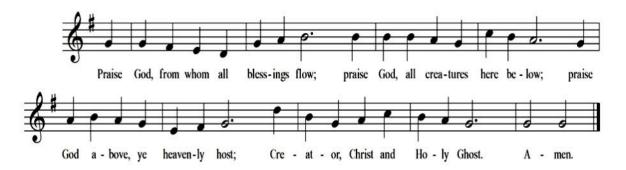
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth *Quinton Davis, Tenor*

Felix Mendelssohn

*Responsive Hymn No. 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious and loving God, you have given us so much to be thankful for. Teach us to give to others as generously as you have given to us. We return a portion of what we have received to extend your work in the world. Use these gifts and the gifts of our hands to the glory of your Holy name. Amen

SENDING

***Hymn** For Everyone Born

KARIBU

This hymn is printed on the back page of your bulletin.

*Benediction

*Postlude Trumpet Tune in E-flat Major

William B. Fuhrer

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A new tune for the final hymn written by Swee Hong Lim and published in July, 2024.

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Assisting with Worship this Morning

Pastor: Rev. Ann Pitman **Liturgist:** William Shassere

Elders of the Month/Greeters: Denise Davis, Mike Shim

Ushers: Anne Barnett, David Beer, Judy Mettler, Tom Mettler

Director of Music Ministries & Organist: Brent Neuenschwander

Assistant Organist: Kathryn Miller

Summer Choir

Soloist: Quinton Davis, Tenor

Live Stream Operator: Dick Florea **Sound Board Operator:** Jeff Slater

Enriching our Faith Through the Arts is at the heart of the Music Series. As we approach the 2024-2025 concert season, the Music Series is currently raising funds to pay for those concerts. If you would like to donate, your generosity will make this possible and continue to add beauty to our world through music. Donations may be sent to the church or through the online giving tab on the website by August 18th. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Sorry, Kids!

There is no Sunday School during the summer, but our nursery is open year-round! Anyone between 6 months and 5 years old is welcome! Ask an usher for a tour and more information.

For Everyone Born

