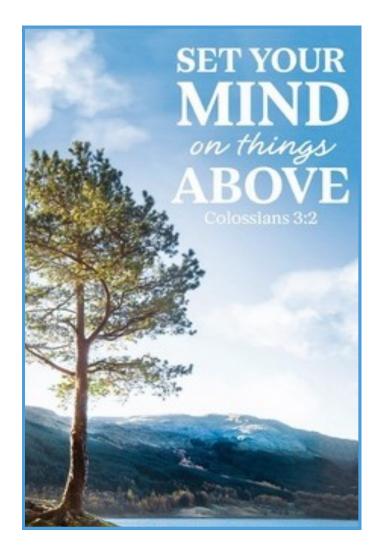
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



21st Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 22, 2023 10:00 A.M.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

'To God Be the Glory '

Robert J. Powell

WELCOME

PRELUDE

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

God's glory is too much to comprehend, but we see God's face among us when we come together as the church. Let us witness to God's glory together.

*HYMN #461 'God Is Here!'

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of justice and truth, you ask us to give to you the things that are yours. If we are honest, we know we hold so much back. We have promised you our obedience, but we often fulfill our own desires first. We have promised you our worship, but we give our attention to idols instead. We have promised to do your work in the world, but we put it last on the list of priorities. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Increase our generosity that we might give freely, grateful for all of the gifts you have given us. (*Silent Reflection*)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The good news remains true: God has chosen us, forgives us, and walks beside us, helping us become imitators of Christ.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Alleluia!

Rev. Dan Pure

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Liturgist

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*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, Amen. A TIME TO BE YOUNG 'The Prayer and Lead Us Lord' C.Sager & D. Foster ANTHEM PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION SCRIPTURE READING Liturgist Colossians 3:1-15 "Walk Tall and Keep Your Head Up High" Rev. Dan Pure SERMON **RESPONDING TO THE WORD** *HYMN 'Though I May Speak' # 335 **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** INVITATION TO THE OFFERING "Sing Praise to God " Gerald Near OFFERTORY *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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

*HYMN #538 'Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing'

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

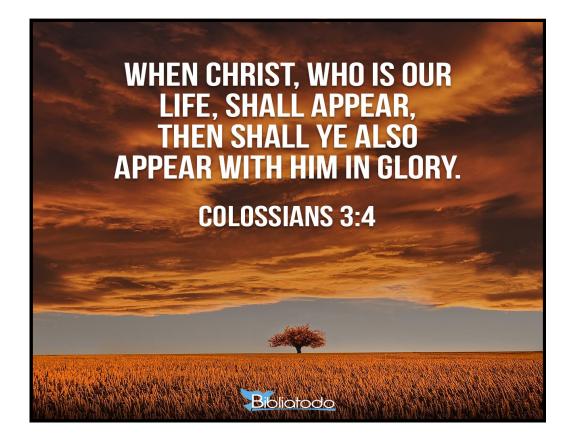
POSTLUDE 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty ' David Lowe

Serving: LITURGIST- Sandy Z.

USHERS-Team 4- Bruce H., Howard T., & Bill F.

COUNTERS-Team 4- Marie D. & Joyce I.

FLOWERS- Jeanne G.





Prayer List: Those facing health concerns:

Debbie F. (recovery) Bev P.-C.(cancer) John G. (cancer)

Linda W. (recovery) Nick M. (cancer) Ben S. (Darlene's Dad - Hospice) Blade P. (Marge's Cousin) Charles P. (Bri P.'s Grandfather)



Condolences to Jeremy & Bri P. on the passing of Bri's grandfather, Ken C.. Prayers for all of the family.

Those at home/in care:

Jim/Mel B. Bebe D.

Other Concerns: Unspoken Requests



This Month of October: Serving: Liturgist: Sandy Z. Flowers: 10/22 - Jeanne G. 10/29 - Rev. Norlita

Fellowship:

Meetings:

November 11/2 - Session 5:00 pm, 11/13 - Deacons 6:00pm, 11/14 - BSCA 7:00 pm, 11/20 - Trustees 7:00 pm

Anne S



Lunch Bunch: November 14th @ Noon (location to be determined)

The Deacons are collecting monetary donations again this year towards the Thanksgiving Offering. This allows us to give to more than one charity doing Thanksgiving Dinners for those in need. Checks may be made out to First Presbyterian Church and write Deacons Fund - Thanksgiving on the memo line. There will also be collection jars on the fellowship table in Bonham Hall. Thank you in advance. The Board of Deacons





Looking Ahead -This Week:

10/25 - Choir Practice 7:30 pm

10/29 - Reformation Sunday w/ Communion (We'll celebrate our Reformed Heritage)



Looking Ahead -Next Week:

- 11/1 Choir Practice 7:30 pm
- 11/2 Session Mtg. 5:00 pm

Session Members

Debbi Boykin-Greenberg	Albert Fooks	Curtis Homan
Debbie Homan	Franz Pampuch	Sandy Zimmerman
	Rev. Norlita Kaul, Moderator	
	Deacons	
Linda Ambrose	Amy Brewer	Robert Dragotta
Marie Dunham	Debbie Fooks	Darlene Freitag
Robin Freitag	Jane Hankins	Jody Husted
Heather Newkirk	Marge Pampuch	
	<u>Trustees</u>	
Yvonne Custis	Bill Freitag	Ken Freitag
Bruce Hankins	Sandra Huster	Sherry Macpherson
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