

****PRAYER of DEDICATION (Unison)**

Lord God, we thank you for all your many gifts to us. We return these gifts as a token of our gratitude, longing for the conviction and strength to offer our whole lives to your service. Grant us the wisdom and discernment to be good stewards of these gifts. Empower us to bear rich fruit for your kingdom, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

****HYMN of SENDING #341** “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”

****CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE “Irish Blessing” Traditional

POSTLUDE “My Heart Ever Faithful” Bach

PASTOR: Rev. Bob Thomson

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Wendy Dryden **ORGANIST:** Eleanor Lane

CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Ashley Braisted

SPECIAL MUSIC: 1st Five: Kevin Bohnenblust, Ernie and Melinda
Brazzale, Cori Cooper, and Eleanor Lane



Church Mission Statement

As followers of Jesus Christ, under the authority of the Bible, our mission is:

- ~ Glorifying and worshiping God
- ~ Baptizing and strengthening disciples
- ~ Loving and serving all people



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**First
Presbyterian
Church**

*Vibrant Worship,
Vibrant Discipleship,
Vibrant Service*

March 17, 2024 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service Theme:

“Good Neighbors”

*Purple: Symbolizes the
Season of Preparation*

****Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE “Ah, Holy Jesus” Cruger

TOLLING of the BELLS

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE for MISSION *Dana Skoumal*

GATHERING AROUND the WORD of GOD

INTROIT “Sing and Rejoice this Sabbath Day” Diemer

CALL TO WORSHIP *Al Hunter*

Leader: The earth is the LORD’s and all that is in it.

People: The world, and those who live in it;

Leader: For God has founded it on the seas,

People: God has established it on the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

People: And who shall stand in his holy place?

Leader: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts. Let us pray...

PRAYER of PRAISE (Unison)

Ever present God, we thank you for calling us together for worship. We praise you for coming to us long before we first came to you, for knowing who would be here today, and for knowing even our motives for coming. May your Holy Spirit enable us to hear your voice and to guide our responses with hearts that rejoice in your presence. Amen.

****HYMN of PRAISE #488**

“The God of Abraham Praise”

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****CALL TO CONFESSION**

When we see God's beautiful holiness, we recognize our own lack of holiness. God is light and truth, yet we live among shadows and lies. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and whose we are; let us seek God's grace and truth in Jesus, our Lord.

****PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)**

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love and abundant mercy. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore, teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. (Time of Silent Personal Confession) Amen.

****ASSURANCE of PARDON**

"Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

PASSING of the PEACE

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

****GLORIA PATRI #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.

LISTENING for the WORD of GOD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Al Hunter

Lord, your Word was in the beginning before the world even began, it was with you and it was you. Allow us today to open your Word and know you better. Give us eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts open to your Spirit as we seek you. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (pg. 143)

The Word of the Lord

Al Hunter

Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"What a Friend"

arr. Hayes

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 10: 25-37 (pg. 844)

TIME for CHILDREN

Ashley Braisted

(Children may go upstairs for Sunday School.)

INTERPRETATION of the WORD

"Good Neighbors"

Rev. Bob Thomson

RESPONDING to the WORD of GOD

****HYMN of RESPONSE #383**

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

****CONFESSION of FAITH - Apostles' Creed - Traditional Version**

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.

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.

RESPONSE

"Amen"

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GIVING OF OURSELVES to GOD:

Jesus said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." In response to the blessings we have received from God let us offer our gifts, tithes and offerings to the work of God.

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OFFERTORY

"It Is Well with My Soul"

arr. Larson

****DOXOLOGY #592**

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.