First Presbyterian Church Order of Worship – Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

June 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Worship Leader: Don Park

Moment with Young Disciples: The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Call to Worship

Come from your daily labors. Return to the Lord, who gives rest and renewal.

We are here to worship, ready to receive God's life-giving Word.

<u>Prayer of Adoration</u> Sovereign God, you call us to obey you and favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, so that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may fix our eyes on him and steadfastly follow in the paths of your kingdom. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Glory to God #49

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above, the Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love! The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed, we bow before your holy name, forever blest.

Your spirit still flows free, high soaring where it will. In prophet's word you spoke of old and you speak still. Established is your law, and changeless it shall stand, deep writ upon the human heart by your strong hand.

<u>Call to Confession</u> If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In faith, let us approach God's throne of grace.

<u>Prayer of Confession</u> Dear God, you sent us prophets to proclaim your coming reign. You send us out as witnesses to embody your justice and mercy. Yet we shrink from your call to serve as messengers of your kingdom. We turn from the demands of discipleship. Forgive us, we pray. Embolden us to be heralds of your good news. Amen.

<u>Assurance of Forgiveness</u> Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone, a new life has begun! Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God.**

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer for Illumination Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

Old Testament Passage Genesis 22:1 – 14

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

<u>Piano Interlude</u> "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" Mike Belote

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New Testament Passage Matthew 10:37 – 11:6

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Family Ties" The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from The Confession of 1967, 9.07

Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the people of the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Call to Offering Freely you have received, freely give. Let us return to God a portion if his goodness to us through his tithes and our offerings.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication Faithful God, you have brought us from death to life! By your Spirit, may our church's ministries bring hope and new life to our neighbors. We dedicate our offerings in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

<u>Hymn of Dedication</u> "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" Glory to God #700

I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Invitation to Discipleship and Benediction

Announcements

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Adult Sunday School: "Chewing the Bread of the Word: The Nature and Practice of Spiritual Reading," is the theme we will discuss from Chapter 2 in *Soul Feast: An Invitation to the Christian Spiritual Life* by Marjorie J. Thompson. Join us even if you haven't had a chance to read. Pastor Rosanna will lead the class on June 28 at 9:45 a.m. via Zoom at this link https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86415059778.

Email Pastor Rosanna <u>rosanna@pastorrosanna.net</u> for the password.

Donations Needed! Cereal and canned goods are desperately needed right now for those in need. If you would like to donate, please contact Ross Thomas (615) 772-4870 or rhtcons@gmail.com so that he may open the doors to the church for drop off.

Mission Opportunities: Please contact Ross or Linda Thomas for drop off information.

Loose Change for **The Master's Table**

Plastic Bags for Meals on Wheels

Targeted Food Items for June and July: Powdered Milk

Please look over our **Prayer List** and if someone needs to be added, notify the church office at <u>1stprez@bellsouth.net</u>. Please provide an address for those who are not members of the church so that we may send them a prayer card.

May we keep in our prayers all the individuals and families affected by COVID-19.

"God will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." Revelation 21:3b-4

Linda Alldredge Alison Barnwell Dale Boyter Ethelene Burnett Louis Burnett

Kyle Craighead Mike Frost Family of Mickey Hyde Family of Michelle Lamb

Rush Limbaugh Betty Murphey Jerry Stuard Gail York

Worship Services Online: The Session, at its June meeting, decided to continue to observe Sunday worship services online until further notice. Guidance from our PC(USA) denominational offices and state government officials urges the suspension of all congregational and public gatherings in our church facilities in order to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Please join us for the worship video premiere on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7GCqiHtl7JXZln1 fzePSg at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. A link to worship is posted on FACEBOOK First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Tennessee and on the church's website https://www.springfieldpres.org/.