

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2013

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45)

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Precious Lord" Dorsey
Connie Weiss and Kay Ten Eyck, organ duet

Lighting of the Sabbatical Candle

Call to Worship Psalm 84:1-4

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

***My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.***

Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars,
O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

***Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.***

* Hymn 469 (PH) "Morning Has Broken"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

***Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin
and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts.
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your services,
that all people may know the glorious liberty
of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Gloria Patri (PH 579)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7 (OT, 634)

A Time with Children

Special Music: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Traditional

Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:49-56 (NT, p. 75)

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 (NT, p. 166)

Sermon: "Sour Grapes" Rev. Griffith

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 417 (PH) "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" (vs. 1, 4)

* Affirmation of Faith: from Brief Statement (Christology)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Thy Word"

Grant

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 482 (PH) "Praise Ye the Lord, The Almighty"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Showalter

* All who are able shall stand.

PH Presbyterian Hymnal

Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God by Bonnie Plantholt in memory of her parents, Erwin and Dorothy Eckstein.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor

Rev. Roger Griffith

Organist

Kay Ten Eyck

Liturgist

JoAnne Shepherd

Special Music

Rev. Griffith

Ushers

Karen White, Vi Dygert

Welcomers

Myrna and John Diven



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.



***I CAME TO BRING
FIRE TO THE EARTH....***

LUKE 12:49

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Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Luke 12:49-56

“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens.

And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

1 Corinthians 1:10-17

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.