

## First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2015

10:00 a.m.

*In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

### ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Concerns of the Church  
Prelude "Minuette from Suite Gothique"  
Boellmann

Call to Worship Psalm 106:1-4

Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good;

**God's love is eternal.**

Who can tell all the great things he has done?

**Who can praise the Lord enough?**

Happy are those who obey his commands,

**who always do what is right.**

Remember me, Lord, when you help your people;

**include me when you save them.**

\* Hymn 438 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"  
*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession  
**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life,  
and crowned him Lord of all.  
We confess that we have not bowed before him,  
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.  
We have gone along with the ways of the world,  
and failed to give him glory.  
Forgive us and raise us from sin,  
that we may be your faithful people,  
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who rules the world and is the head of the Church, his body.**

***In his name we pray, Amen.***

- \* Silent Confession
- \* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace
- \* Response: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" (591)  
***Halle, halle, hallelujah!***

### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination  
First Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 (NT, p. 180)

A Time with Children

Anthem "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Harold W. Friedell

Gospel Lesson: Mark 3:19(b)-35 (NT, p. 37)

Sermon: "Crazy for Jesus"

Rev. Carter

### RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Hymn 697 "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant (Hymnal, p. 20)

\* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Offering

Offertory

"Arioso"

Powell

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

*Please hold the bread until all are served, so that we might share it as a sign of our unity in Christ. As a sign of individual devotion and commitment, you may drink the cup as you are served.*

\* Prayer after Communion

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\* Hymn 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Postlude "Toccata in F Major" Buxtehude

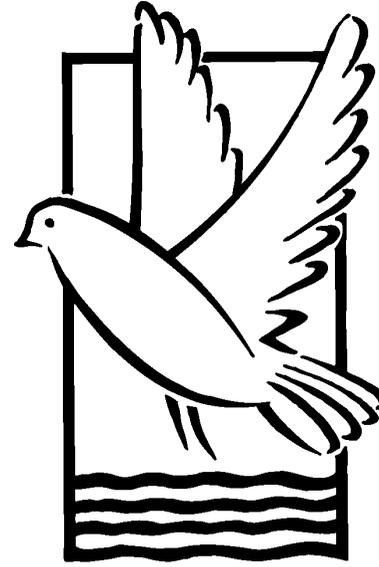
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\* All who are able shall stand.

**The flowers** this morning have been given by Mary Parry to the glory of God and in memory of her parents, Leslie and Jule Parry.

Today three of our young people are being confirmed in the faith. Congratulations to Ryan Flynn, Jacob Wescott, Cassie White.

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Pastor	William Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Director of Music	Susan Kelly
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgists	Members of the 2015 Confirmation Class
Welcomer	Janet Dobson
Ushers	Meg Hatch, Elaine Lavelle



*Confirmation  
Sunday*



*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

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## ***2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1***

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

## ***Mark 3:19-35***

Then he went home; and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."