

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2015

10:00 a.m.

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

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music (9:45)

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" arr. Callahan

Call to Worship from Psalm 48

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

God's holy mountain is the joy of all the earth.

We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

Your name, O God, reaches to the ends of the earth.

* Hymn 81 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God,

in your presence we confess

our failure to be what you created us to be.

You alone know how often we have sinned

in wandering from your ways,

in wasting your gifts,

in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, forgive our sin,

and help us to live in your light and abide in your ways,

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

* 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: Psalm 48 (OT, p. 518)

A Time with Children

Special Music "O Divine Redeemer" Charles Gounod

Gospel Lesson: Mark 6:1-13 (NT, p. 40)

Sermon: "The Sermons Nobody Wants to Hear" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 450 "Be Thou My Vision"

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

Offering

Offertory "America, the Beautiful" arr. Callahan

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 340 "This Is My Song"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand" arr. Schack

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given by Gail Van Horn to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents.

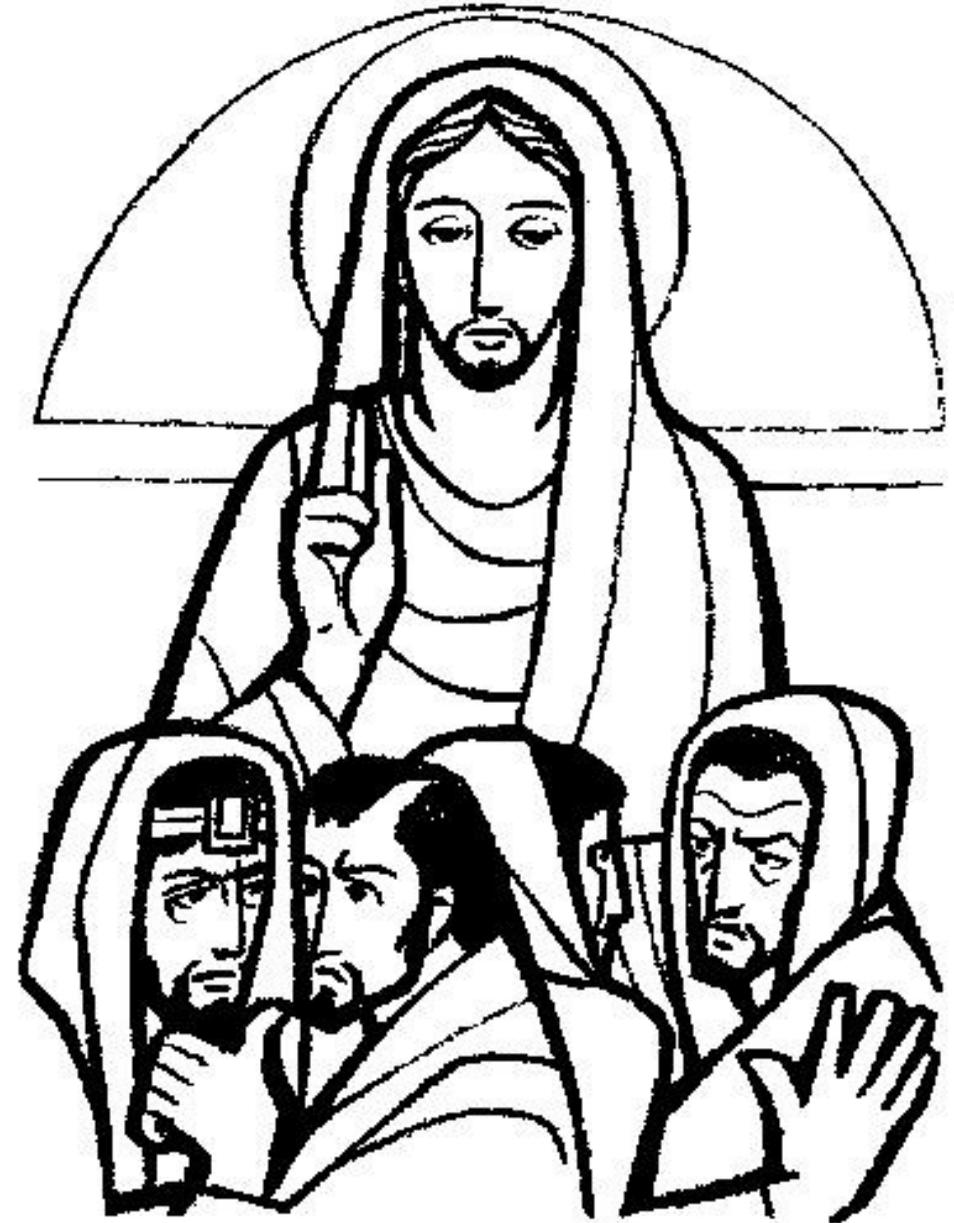
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	The Rev. William Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Connie Weiss
Special Music	Dr. Jennifer Cowgill
Welcomers	Alice and Dick Broxton
Ushers	Ginny O'Brien, Wayne Griffiths



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Psalm 48

¹Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God. His holy mountain, ²beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

³Within its citadels God has shown himself a sure defense. ⁴Then the kings assembled, they came on together.

⁵As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic, they took to flight; ⁶trembling took hold of them there, pains as of a woman in labor,

⁷as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish. ⁸As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God, which God establishes forever.

⁹We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple. ¹⁰Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with victory.

¹¹Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments. ¹²Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,

¹³consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels, that you may tell the next generation ¹⁴that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will be our guide forever.

Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.