

**First Presbyterian Church**

Service for the Lord's Day  
16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018

10:00 a.m.

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Hymn Sing (9:45)  
Concerns of the Church  
Prelude

“Nigra Sum”

Pablo Casals

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

***God's steadfast love endures forever.***

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

***The mercies of God never come to an end.***

\* Hymn 401

"Here in This Place"

*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

***Saving God,***

***we confess our faith is too small, our fear is too great.***

***When we are overwhelmed, we think you do not care for us.***

***When life is uncertain and risky,***

***we doubt we can trust you with our whole hearts.***

***Forgive us and calm our fears, we pray.***

***Teach us to trust in your power to save***

***and guide us in every circumstance.***

***Grant us your peace,***

***which is clearly beyond our understanding,***

***through Jesus Christ our Savior.***

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Passing of the Peace

\* Response 587

"Alleluia!"

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Mark 1:40-45 (NT, p. 35)

Psalter: Psalm 70 (OT, p. 532)

A Time with Children

Special Music

“I Sing Because I’m Happy”

Rollo Dilworth

Second Lesson: 2 Samuel 4:4, 9:1-13 (OT, pp. 279, 283)

Sermon: “Welcoming Mephibosheth”

Rev. Carter

*Summer series: "Beloved Rascal"*

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Hymn 172

“Blest Are They”

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

“One Voice”

Ruth Moody

\* Doxology (609)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.***

***Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit, one. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Alleluia!***

\* Prayer of Dedication

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

- \* Hymn 769 "For Everyone Born"
- \* Charge and Benediction
- \* Congregational Amen (601)
- \* Postlude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
arr. Lisa Shoemaker-Lohmeyer

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\* All who are able shall stand.

*The flowers this morning have been given by Linda Weaver to the glory of God and in loving memory of parents, Ralph and Jean Weaver, and family friends, Jack Kohler and Peg Kohler.*

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones Special
Music	Voce Angeli
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	John Conklin
Greeter	Maggie and Chuck Woolever
Ushers	Wayne Griffiths



*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

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