

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 2018

10:00 a.m.

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

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music
Concerns of the Church
Prelude

Aria on "Bristol" arr. Archer

Call to Worship

God sent redemption to his people.

Holy and awesome is God's name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

***All those who practice it have a good understanding,
and God's praise endures forever.***

* Hymn 17 "Sing Praise to God, You Heavens"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Holy God, source of all wisdom, forgive us for our foolishness.

We speak and live as if you do not exist,

and create chaos out of a twisted sense of our self-importance.

We live only for today and indulge our boundless appetites,

and take no thought for the effects of what we plunder.

We speak whatever word passes over our tongues,

revealing the cruelty of our hearts

and the emptiness of our thoughts.

Have mercy on us, wise God.

Forgive us in the name of Jesus,

for his self-giving love is the power of God,

and his weakness is stronger than human strength.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response 598

"Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God!"

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Selections from the Book of Proverbs

Psalter: Psalm 124 (Hymn 330)

A Time with Children

Anthem "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" arr. Terry Osman

Second Lesson: James 3:1-12 (NT, p. 230)

Sermon: "Biting Your Tongue"

Rev. Carter

Fall Sermon Series: "A Word to the Wise"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 693

"Though I May Speak"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Minute for Peacemaking

Offering

Offertory

"Let Us With a Gladsome Mind"

arr. Archer

* Doxology (607)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Christ, all creatures here below. Praise Holy Spirit evermore.

Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen!

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 296 "Go in Grace and Make Disciples"
* Charge and Benediction
* Congregational Amen (601)
* Postlude "Praise Ye the Lord" arr. Viner
*All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude.
If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.*

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God and in honor of Tinka Zenke by her family as she celebrates her 104th birthday today.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Director of Bell Choir	Richard Cochrane
Liturgist	Marie Cochrane
Ushers	Steve Selige and Anne Rich
Greeter	Lee Wirth



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