

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 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) Hymnal 689, 350, 641
Concerns of the Church
Prelude "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" arr. Utterback

Call to Worship

We do not live by bread alone,
but by the Word who became flesh and dwells among us.
Christ is the true bread of heaven, the manna of freedom.
Come, let us worship and give thanks.

* Hymn 506 "Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table"
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: Ephesians 4:1-16 (NT, p. 193)

Psalter: Psalm 149 (Hymnal 550)

A Time with Children

Special Music "His Eye is On the Sparrow"

Gospel Lesson: John 6:24-35 (NT, p. 98)

Sermon: "Staring Into a Full Refrigerator"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 509 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

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

Offering

Offertory "With A Voice of Singing" Shaw

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 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Allegro"

Boellmann

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of Susan Kelly, with thanks for sharing her musical talent with the choirs and the congregation.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor

Organist

Liturgist

Special Music

William Carter

Kay Ten Eyck

Chris Norton

Teresa Welby



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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Do not work
for food that
spoils, but for
food that
endures
to Eternal
LIVE
John 6:27

Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal."

Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."