First Presbyterian Church

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

September 27, 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 Concerns of the Church Prelude

"Prelude"

Franck

Call to Worship

Num. 11:16-29

Upon this gathering of your people, **pour out your Spirit, O Lord.**Be near to us and speak to us, **and we will proclaim your glory.**

* Hymn 667 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession

God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions, our hidden faults, our secret sins. With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil; with our eyes we look out for ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

- * Silent Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Response 447 We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Lesson: James 5:13-20 (NT, p. 231)

Psalter: Psalm 124 (Hymnal 330)

A Time with Children

Anthem

Gospel Lesson: Mark 9:38-41 (NT, p. 45)

Sermon: "What Jesus Chastises" Rev. Carter

Fall Theme: "Discipleship Camp"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 733 "We All Are One in Mission"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

A Minute for Peacemaking

Offering

Offertory

"Aria" Young

* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Trumpet Tune"

Lully

Diane Scheuer

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the Glory of God

- by Marie and Dick Cochrane in celebration of their 23rd wedding anniversary, and
- in honor of Tinka Zenke's 101^{st} birthday with love from her family.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Rev. William G. Carter
Director of Educational Ministries Tina Ide
Director of Music Frank Jones
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist Heather Acker
Ushers Anne Deremer, Sara Ann Hosier
Welcomers Sandra and Stueart Bailey



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James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Mark 9:38-41

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us."But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.