

First Presbyterian Church

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

July 31, 2016

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45)

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

arr. Wood

Call to Worship

We are children of God, learning to walk.

Day by day, we are learning to be the church.

God is a loving parent, teaching us to walk.

God loves us, leads us, and feeds us.

* Hymn 15 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Nurturing God,

you continue to lead us in upright ways

on account of your love for us.

Yet we do not always follow your call;

we turn away from you and go our own way.

Forgive us,

and return us to our rightful home in you,

through Jesus Christ our Savior.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response 390 "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!"

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia! (repeat)

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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Colossians 3:1-11 (NT, p. 201)

Psalter: Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (OT, p. 559)

A Time with Children

Special Music "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Second Lesson: Luke 12:13-21 (NT, p. 74)

Sermon: "More"

Ms. Tomlinson

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 830 "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Jesus Loves Me"

arr. Kerr

* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 607 "Take My Life"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

arr. Hustad

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given by Meg Hatch to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of her mother, Sue.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Preacher
Organist
Liturgist
Soloist
Ushers
Welcomers

Margo Tomlinson
Kay Ten Eyck
David Naehar
Max Earl
Jack Pittman, Andrew Taylor
Lee and Mick Wirth



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Colossians 3:1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.

But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Psalms 107

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress; he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."