

# First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13, 2016

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 "Amazing Grace"

Hobby

Call to Worship

Ps. 98

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

***Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.***

This is the day the Lord has made.

***Let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

\* Hymn 10 "Sing Glory to the Name of God"

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

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

*2 Thess. 3:6-13*

***God of mercy,  
we confess that we have not been obedient sons and daughters.***

***We have grown idle in the work of discipleship  
and weary in doing what is right.***

***We have been selfish in our actions and insistent  
in claiming our rights.***

***We have not honored the tradition of the apostles,  
or imitated the example of your saints.***

***Forgive us, we pray.***

***Show us the way of repentance, free us from our idle ways,  
and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ,  
through whom we pray.***

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

\* Response 598

***Amen, we praise your name, O God! Amen, we praise your name, O God!  
Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God!***

Special Music

"Sing to the Lord"

Hopson

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 (NT, p. 207)

A Time with Children

Anthem

"The First Song of Isaiah"

White

Second Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25 (OT, p. 696)

Sermon: "Living the Dream"

Rev. Carter

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Hymn 378

"We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Minute for Organ Donor Sabbath

Offering

Offertory

"We Praise You, O God"

arr. Wood

\* Doxology (606)

\* Prayer of Dedication

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\* Hymn 733

"We All Are One in Mission"

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Congregational Amen 601

*Please be seated for the presentation of the postlude.*

\* Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Kerr

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\* All who are able shall stand.

*The flowers this morning have been given by Janet Stansbury to the Glory of God and in memory of her sister, Marjorie, who would have celebrated her 95th birthday today.*

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist / Director of Chapel Choir	Kay Ten Eyck
Coordinator for Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Liturgist	Diane Scheuer
Ushers	Marsha Parrish, Ryan Flynn
Welcomers	Alice and Dick Broxton



*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

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## ***2 Thessalonians 3:6-13***

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

## ***Isaiah 65:17-25***

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses

and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD— and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.