First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 14, 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 "A Round of Praise" Wagner Alleluia Choir

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.

and God's praise endures forever.

* Hvmn 13 "The Mighty God with Power Speaks" *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 it is his self-giving love that is the power of God, his weakness that is stronger than human strength.

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

* Response 598 "Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God!"

Special Music "Come, Let Us Sing" Chapel Choir

Sleeth

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Mark 8:34-38 (NT, p. 44) Psalter: Psalm 22, selected verses

A Time with Children

"His Grace Will Lead Us Through" McDonald Anthem

Second Lesson: James 4:1-10 (NT, p. 230)

Sermon: "Lover's Quarrel with the World" Rev. Carter

Fall Sermon Series: "A Word to the Wise"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 345 "In an Age of Twisted Values"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Minute for Stewardship

Offering

Offertory "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

arr. Kosche

* 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 724 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Congregational Amen (601)
- * Postlude "The Mighty God with Power Speaks" arr. Walicke

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 by Meg Hatch to the glory of God and in honor of her father, Dan Hatch.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Rev. William G. Carter Coordinator of Children and Youth Jana Schillinger Director of Music / Alleluia Choir Frank Jones Organist / Chapel Choir Kay Ten Eyck Liturgist Children (Chapel/Alleluia choirs) Ushers Betty Keen and Gwynne Gilbert Greeter Jay Clymer



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