First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 4, 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 "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

Call to Worship from Psalm 146

arr. Childs

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul.

I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul.

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

* Hymn 63

"The Lord is God"

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,

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
- * Passing of the Peace * Response 598
- "Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God!"

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (OT, p. 163)

Psalter: Psalm 146 (Hymnal 806)

A Time with Children

Anthem "The Mystery of Years" Anderson/Forrest

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:28-34 (NT, p. 49)

Sermon: "How Far is 'Not Far'?" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 694 "Great God of Every Blessing"

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

A Minute for Stewardship Dedication

Dedication of Tithes, Offerings, and Pledges

All are invited forward by the center aisle to offer themselves and their gifts to God.

Offertory "Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"

arr. Childs

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 730 "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"
- * Charge and Benediction

* Congregational Amen 601

* Postlude "For All the Saints" arr. Hobby

All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude. If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.

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

Annmarie Tyler.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor
Coordinator of Children and Youth
Guest Director of Music
Organist
Liturgist
Ushers
Greeter

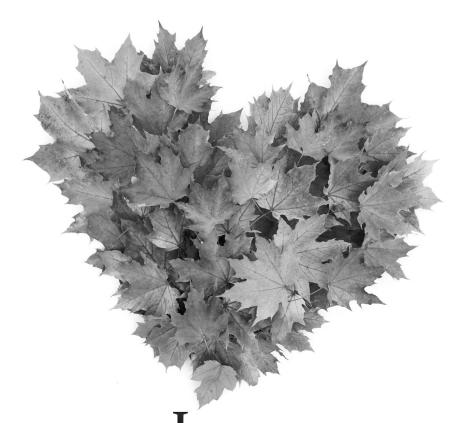
Rev. William G. Carter
Jana Schillinger
Alan Baker
Kay Ten Eyck
Steuart Bailey
Vi Dygert and Ginny O'Brien
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Love
the Lord your God
with all your HEART
and with all your SOUL
and with all your MIND
and with all your STRENGTH.

Mark 12:30, ESV

^{*} All who are able shall stand.