

First Presbyterian Church
Service for the Lord's Day
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2019 10:00 a.m.
In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45) - It's Christmas in July! (Hymns 108-156)
Concerns of the Church
Prelude "As the Deer" are. Wagner

Call to Worship
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

* Hymn 624 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

***O God of grace and wisdom,
our hearts have been discouraged
and we have not been united in love.
We have put our hope in things that perish
and lived as if we still belonged to the world.
Free us from our willing captivity to all that is unworthy of you,
and save us from every form of self-indulgence,
that we might live abundantly in the power of Christ,
whom you have raised from the dead.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response 447

***We are forgiven! We are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God!
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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
First Lesson: Luke 10:38-42 (NT, p. 72)

A Time with Children

Special Music "Offertory" John Ness Beck
Quartet: Donna Porter, Connie Weiss, Frank Jones, John Weiss

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:1-29 (NT, p. 199)
Sermon: "The Gospel in Three Words" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 394 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" (to the tune of 143)

* Affirmation of Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

***Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—
all things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.
He is the head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and
through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross.***

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Hymnal, p. 14)
Presentation of Abigail and Samuel Rosiecki

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering
Offertory "Reverie" Rawsthorne

* Doxology (609)
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia!***

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 543 "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"
* Charge and Benediction
* Congregational Amen (601)
* Postlude "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" arr. Wagner
*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 roses are placed in honor of the baptism of Abigail and Samuel Rosiecki.

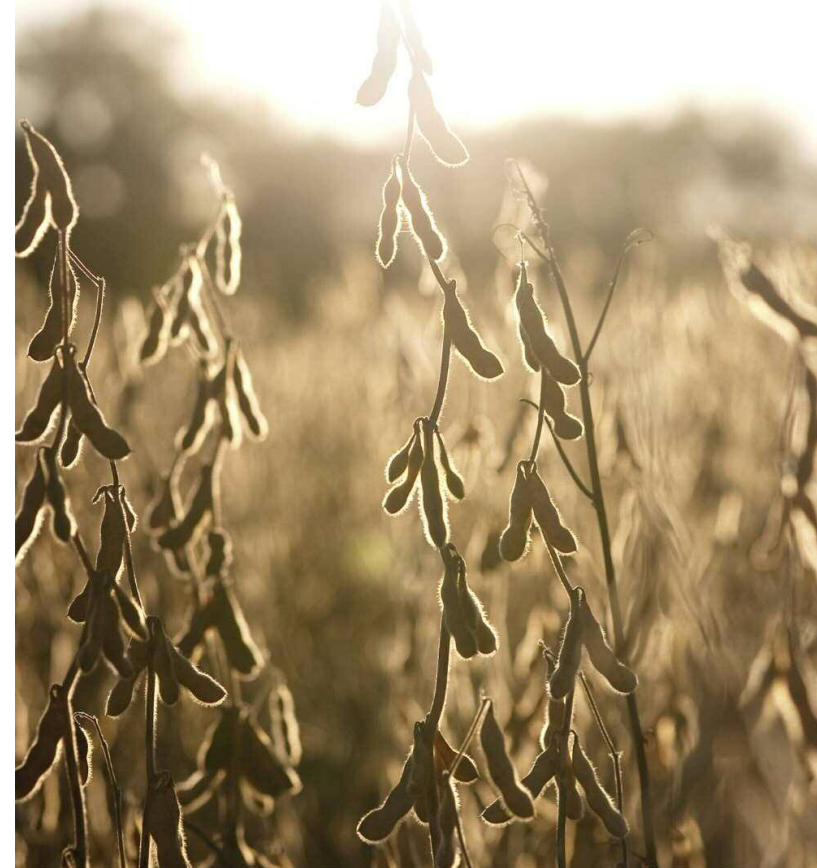
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Connie Weiss
Ushers	Bill Farrell, Donna Kepler
Greeters	Maggie and Chuck Woolever

The Gospel...

BEARING FRUIT AND GROWING

COLOSSIANS 1:6, NIV



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