

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 30, 2013

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing
Concerns of the Church
Prelude "Beautiful Savior"
Cherwien

Lighting of the Sabbatical Candle

Call to Worship

Psalm 77:11-14

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord;
I will remember your wonders of old.

***I will meditate on all your work,
and muse on your mighty deeds.***

Your way, O God, is holy.

What god is so great as our God?

***You are the God who works wonders;
you have displayed your might among the peoples.***

* Hymn 150 (PH) "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

***Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
Cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace and Gloria Patri (PH 579)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: 2 Kings 2:6-12 (OT, p. 332)

A Time with Children

Special Music "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel"

Gospel Lesson: Luke 9: 51-62 (NT, p. 70)

Sermon: "No Excuses"

Rev. Griffith

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 439 (PH) "In Christ There is No East or West"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (PH, p. 14)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "For the Beauty of the Earth" setting Burkhardt

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 630 (PH) "Take My Life" vs. 1-4

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Voluntary in C" Boyce

* All who are able shall stand.

PH Presbyterian Hymnal

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2 Kings 2:6-12

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Luke 9: 51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”