

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday Feb 26th, 2017

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison
Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Susan Mattinson

Pianist: Lloyd Jones / Cheong Lo Lee Music Director: Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

***Entry of the Bible**

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn: "Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord" #476

Opening Prayer:

Creator God, day by day, you are known to your people. In the beauty of the heavens, we see your glory. In the unending bounty of the earth, we know your providence. Delighting in what we have seen, known, and heard, we worship you, our Lord and our God. At times, we have forgotten what we knew, and we act as if we had never heard your words. We worry as if we had never known your truth or experienced your grace. You love us and made us for a purpose, but we lead lives as if there were no purpose. Forgive our sins. Remind us of what we once knew and felt. Let us hear your words afresh. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

*Children's Hymn "The church is wherever God's people" (Sing once before and one after children's time) #484

Children's Time

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation: #449

"Lord, listen to your children praying; Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace!"

"Be Still and know that I am God" (Ps. 46:10)
Please take the time before the service as an Opportunity to quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Bible Readings:

Ephesians 2:11-22

Psalms 84:1-4

1 Peter 2:4-10

NT – Pg. 192-193

OT - Pg. 543

NT – Pg. 233

Gloria Patri:

#594

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen, amen.

Sermon: "We Are The Church"

*Hymn: "We are one in the Spirit" #471

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

#501

***Offertory Response**

"Live in charity and steadfast love; live in charity; God will dwell with you."

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Living God, your love for us is immeasurable. Open our ears to hear the cries of your neediest children. Open our eyes to see human injustice. Open our minds to think about compassion in all circumstances. Continue to increase our willingness to give, so that we may lead lives fully focused on ministry to others. We place these offerings before you in gratitude for your guidance and love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn: "Blest be the tie that binds" #481

Blessing

Response: #624

"Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!"

Postlude