

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
October 1st ,2017

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Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison
Organ Prelude – Hymn and Quiet Reflection

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Susan Mattinson

Pianist: Micah Pawluk Music Director: Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*** Entry of the Bible**

Introit

Call to Worship

*** Hymn:** "Worship the Lord"

#555

Opening Prayer:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit; When we hunger for fulfillment: you are our bread, you are our sustenance, you are the one who meets all of our needs. When we thirst for communion with you: you are sweetness of life, you are the fullness of life, you are life itself. When we desire what is true and enduring: you alone are truth, you alone are genuine, you alone are the one who was, who is, and who shall be. We confess that too often we have failed to speak and act with kindness; to care for others as we have been cared for, to welcome others as we have been welcomed. We remember the good not done, words not spoken, and grace not given or received. Forgive us and free us to start again—with you and with one another. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

*** Children's Hymn:** "Eat this bread"

#527

Sing twice before and twice after Children's Time

Children's Time

"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.

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Upcoming Events at First

Oct 5 th	Bible Study	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Oct 7 th	Shelter House	10:30-2:30 pm
Oct 8 th	Sunday Worship	11:00 am
	Thanksgiving	



More Than Mission raised \$110 at their bake sale last week. Thank you for supporting our mission projects

The Worship Committee will be decorating the sanctuary on Friday, Oct. 6 for Thanksgiving. If you have any fall decorations, produce or preserves we could borrow to beautify the sanctuary, we would appreciate having these at the church by Friday noon. If you need the items picked up, please contact Carol Wehrstedt at 939-1020 to make arrangements.

Rev Susan will be away in PEI with Colin Oct 2-10. Please contact your elder or Rev. Joyce Yanishewski (623-8348) for any pastoral emergencies. Worship on Oct 8th will be led by Janet Racey.

Fellowship Committee

The fellowship Committee has assumed the role of sending cards to members and families who are experiencing illness, bereavement, special occasions, ie significant birthdays, anniversaries, births, graduations etc). The committee asks that anyone whose aware of an occasion when a card should be sent please contact the Church office or Bill Burn. Upcoming events for the fall include a Games Night on Saturday October 28th from 7-9pm, and a Christmas Craft making session. Date not yet finalized. Stay tuned!

Thank you, this week, to: Oct 1st

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Janet Racey

Fellowship Time: Robert and Beth Workman

Elevator Operator: Laird Morrison

Offering Counting: Val Calder & Isobel Telford

Offering Collection: Donna & Fred Johnson



Next week's volunteers: Oct 8th

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Patricia Creed

Fellowship Time: Cheong L Lee & Ruth George

Elevator Operator:

Offering Counting: Alice & Laird Morrison & Linda Rydholm

Offering Collection: Donna and Fred Johnson

PRESERVES AND PRODUCE: When you are canning or making jam this fall, consider sharing some jars for the bazaar! Produce from your garden will be accepted as well! Please bring your items to the church on Friday, Oct. 20. It would be helpful if you price them!

It's that time again, the **'Silent Auction and Talents and Gifts'** Please donate your slightly used treasures for others to enjoy. For Talents and gifts, the sky is the limit. We all have Talents/ gifts we could share with others. Like last year we will hold over some of our treasures to continue the auction at the Chuck wagon dinner Nov. 4/17. Please bring your items to the church or contact Deborah Broll 628-6688 for pick up. Let's share and recycle our joy!

Please bring in your **old glasses and sunglasses**. Deborah Broll will be collecting them for the next month. There will be a collection box at the back of the church.

Scouts Apple Day Saturday Oct 7th, 2017 – we will be going door to door on Thursday Oct 5th and will have apples at the Church if anyone is interested. We are told that for a donation of \$25.00 you can get ½ case and donation of \$50.00 a full case. We would have to know if anyone is interested in this as we will have to get extra cases. We will also be at Shoppers and Dollarama on Edward St on Sat Oct 7th all day.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation:

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"Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God."

Bible Readings:

Matthew 21:23-32

P. NT 23-24

Psalms 25:1-10

P. OT 502

Philippians 2:1-13

P. NT 197

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: "By What Authority?"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

* **Offertory Response:**

#461 v.4

"Riches I heed not nor vain earthly praise, thou my inheritance through all my days, thou and thou only, the first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art!"

Prayer of Dedication:

Faithful God, we gratefully acknowledge that you are the giver of all things. You call us to share these gifts so that we may experience the joy and humility of giving to others. We pray that this very act of offering our gifts to you will enable us to be obedient disciples of your work. We are blessed to receive and to offer the message of salvation. Jesus Christ is Lord. Praise your holy name! Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

* **Hymn:**

"All who hunger, gather gladly"

#534

Affirmation of Faith:

The Lord's Supper is a joyful mystery whereby Jesus takes the bread and wine to represent his atoning sacrifice, deepening our union with himself and with each other, giving us of his life and strength. Here Christ is present in his world proclaiming salvation until he comes—a symbol of hope for a troubled age. Those who belong to Christ come gladly to his table to make a memorial of his life and death, to celebrate his presence, and together as his church offer him thanks.” (Living Faith 7.7.3; 7.7.5)

Remembering the Meal with Jesus

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you;
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts;
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our greatest calling and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God, creator and sustainer of heaven and earth.

You spoke, and at your word all things took shape and came into being: the sun and moon and stars, the sky and earth and waters, and all they contain. At your instruction, your Spirit swept over creation, bringing order out of chaos and life out of the formless void.

From the elements of the earth you created us as unique and distinct people, but all in your holy image. You breathed life into us and called us to love and serve you and to live with you and one another in covenant and community.

We turn away from you and we have tried to live apart from you and one another, but you never turn from us. Through the prophets you call us back to you and to your ways. In the fullness of time, you sent your son, the Way, Truth, and Life, who was born of a mother's flesh to reveal the full extent of your grace and love. Again, and again you welcome us and receive us with the open and welcoming arms of a loving father.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with those from every time and place, to proclaim with them your glory, in the unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy is your son Jesus. Walking this earth, feeding the hungry, calling the lost, seeing the forgotten, touching those in need of healing, teaching those who sought out wisdom, and loving all, he showed your kingdom in your world. In breaking bread and sharing wine with your people here and in all places, we recall the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again**

Pour out your Spirit upon us and upon these offerings of bread and wine. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom where peace and justice are realized, so that with all your people we share the banquet you have promised and provided.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator and sustainer of all; glory to you forever and ever.
Amen.

Sharing the Meal**Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)****WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

* **Hymn:** "Now let us from this table rise" **#556**

Blessing

Response: **#624**

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

Postlude

(Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness during the postlude, which is our organist's gift both to you and to God. If you must leave before the postlude concludes, please do so as quietly as possible.)