

# **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Mother's Day/Christian Family Sunday**

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: Micah Pawluk Music Director: Kendall House

## **WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**Prelude**

**\*Entry of the Bible**

**Introit**

**Call to Worship**

**Hymn** "Jesus shall reign where're the sun"

**#275**

**Opening Prayer:**

**Promise-keeping God, you sent us Jesus, the one who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Through him you show us a love that is beyond our imagining. You have lifted him high and yet made him so present with us. Through his love, you find the lost, liberate the captive, heal the broken hearted, see the forgotten, know the unknowable, and reconcile all things in heaven and earth. As we come to experience your love more fully through our relationship with Christ, we recognize the many ways in which we fall short. In your generosity, you offer light to live by yet we love the shadows. You extend unconditional love, but we reject our neighbours. You lead us to life, but our ways are touched with sin and death. Forgive us and recreate us in the image of your beloved son. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Choir Anthem**

**\*Children's Hymn** "Those who wait on the Lord"

**#662**

\*Sing last verse after Children's Time\*

**\*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:**

**John 17:6-21**

**pg. 111 NT**

**Psalm 1**

**pg. 489 OT**

**1 John 5:9-13**

**pg. 241 NT**

**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: "The Testimony of God"**

**Hymn** "Your kingdom come, O God"

**#269**

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD**

**Tithes and Offerings**

**\* Offertory Response:**

**#501**

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

**\*Prayer of Dedication:**

**Holy God, we desire to be sanctified in your grace like the disciples whom Jesus commissioned with your word. We do not want to squander our lives and resources on meaningless consumption. Open our hearts and our hands to respond to giving appeals in a generous manner. Give us the courage to embrace a lifestyle centered in your teaching. We offer you these gifts as an act of responding to you in faith. Amen.**

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

## **WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*Hymn:** "Fill all my life, O Lord my God"

**#653**

**Blessing**

**"Go now in peace, never be afraid; God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love and show you believe; Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love."**

**Postlude: (Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness.)**

**This week's volunteers: May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Greeters:** Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving

**Lay Reader:** Colin Rackham

**Fellowship Time:** Alice & Laird Morrison

**Elevator Operator:** Leo Wehrstedt

**Offering Counting:** Val Calder & Isobel Telford

**Offering Collection:** Craig Marshall & Carol Wehrstedt

**Lawn Maintenance:** Terry Casella

**Next week's volunteers: May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Greeters:** Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving

**Lay Reader:** Bobbie Casella

**Fellowship Time:** Sandra Allan & Betty Ann Burn

**Elevator Operator:** Doug Brown

**Offering Counting:** Alice & Laird Morrison & Linda Rydholm

**Offering Collection:** Lorraine Jarvis & Carol Wehrstedt

**Lawn Maintenance:** Terry Casella

*Thank you*

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**Upcoming Events at First**

May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Mission Study	1:30 pm
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Managers	6:30 pm
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Study	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Worship	11:00 am
	Pentecost	



**Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a**

**Purpose:** Join us for our free Vacation Bible School program July 16-20 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Kids will discover that they're lovingly crafted by God and will become hands-on inventors and experience God—the ultimate Maker—in new and wildly creative ways! For ages 4-12. Speak to Rev. Susan for more information or to volunteer. Register Online: [www.myvbs.org/firstprestbay](http://www.myvbs.org/firstprestbay)

**More Than Mission** is having its final Bale Sale of the year on Sun. MAY 27.

Throughout the year, we have appreciated the generous support of the congregation as we raise funds for our various projects. Thank you to all who have contributed to the success of our bake sales.

**Graduation celebrations** will be starting soon. If you have family members graduating this year, please let the office know. We would like to acknowledge their accomplishments.

**SUNDAE SUNDAY!** A fund raiser for the roof will be held June 17. Enjoy a dish of ice cream with a variety of toppings for \$5.00.

**Mark your calendar** for our summer wind up lunch on June 10th following worship. Hot dogs will be provided and we ask the congregation to bring a salad or dessert.

In order to separate church items from personal emails, we now have two email addresses specifically to send information to our church treasurer and our Chair of Board Managers.

Treasurer: [firstprestreas@tbaytel.net](mailto:firstprestreas@tbaytel.net)

Chair of the Board of Managers: [firstpresbdchair@tbaytel.net](mailto:firstpresbdchair@tbaytel.net)

**Yard/Bake/Plant Sale on Sat May 26<sup>th</sup> 9 am-1 pm.**

Please contribute and participate! Household and garage items needed (not old TV's or computers.) Last year, the baking and plants were very popular and sold quickly. We will also run the small cafe again with coffee, tea, and muffins. In 2017 the sale was friendly and successful and we are hopeful for another rewarding time! Contacts are Janet Racey 939-1620 and Linda Rydholm 577-9260.