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

#### WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

**Prelude** 

**Welcome & Announcements** 

\* Entry of the Bible

Introit

**Call to Worship** 

\* Hymn: "I come with joy"

#530

# **Opening Prayer:**

Creator, Christ, and Spirit: When we hunger for fulfillment, you are the bread; you are the sustenance; you are the one who meets all of our needs. When we thirst for communion with you, you are the sweetness of life; you are the fullness of life; you are life itself. Out of a desire to be free and to start again with you and one another, we join our voices in confession. 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, and to live as forgiven and beloved people. We remember the good not done, words not spoken, and grace not given or received. Restore us and renew us. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** 

**Choir Anthem** 

#### WE CELEBRATE GOD'S CHILDREN

\* Praise Song: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Song Book #54

**Exploring God Together** 

#### **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Hymn of Preparation:** 

#400 v 2

"Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!"

# **Upcoming Events at First**

Oct 11<sup>th</sup> Bible Study 10:00 am Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Oct 12<sup>th</sup> Crafts & Conversation 1:00 pm

Oct 13th Paint Nite 7:00 pm

Oct 14th Sunday Worship 11:00 am



**Paint Nite** in support of the "Raise the Roof Campaign" October 13, 2018 at 7pm at First Church.

There will be a congregational meeting on Oct. 14 after worship regarding updates on church finances and our church sign. These are very important conversations, so please try your best to attend!

**CARDS** is cancelled Oct 8/18 for Thanksgiving.

"The Tea and Bazaar will be held on Sat. Oct. 20 from 2:00-4:00pm. Sign up sheets for volunteers and sandwich filling donations are available today. Please contact Janet (939-1620) for more info."

Are you interested in mission work that the Presbyterian Church in Canada does? Please join us Tuesday, October 16 at 1:30 in the John Currie room for study and discussion. Everyone is invited!

THANK

Thank you, this week, to: Oct 7th

Greeters: Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Bobbie Casella

Fellowship Time: Alice Morrison & Greg Agruso

Elevator Operator: Colin Rackham

Offering Counting: Sandra Allan, Mickey Kennedy & Leila

Pettigrew

Offering Collection: Sandy Allen & Leila Pettigrew

Next week's volunteers: Oct 14th

Greeters: Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Beth Workman

Fellowship Time: Sandy Allan & Young Eun

**Elevator Operator:** Laird Morrison

**Offering Counting:** Joyce Nystrom & Brenda Seabrook **Offering Collection:** Joyce Nystrom & Brenda Seabrook

**Cyril Johnson** has graciously offered to host a special fundraiser to contribute to the Raise the Roof Campaign. On request, Cyril will make you a custom lazy susan for use on your dining room table or as game board holder for your living room table. A 16" maple, ash or oak will cost \$70.00. A 10" will cost \$35.00. Cherry, walnut or zebra wood are also available at a greater cost. Please speak with Cyril if you have any questions.

#### SPUD SUNDAY:

After the service on Oct.28, the More Than Mission group is having a Spud Sunday.

For \$5, you will receive a baked potato and a dessert. There will be a variety of toppings for you to add to your potato.

Proceeds from this sale will go the Operating Funds of our Church.

Please join us!

# Bible Readings:

Matthew 21:33-46 P. 24 NT Psalm 100 P. 552 OT Philippians 3:4b-14 P. 198 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: "Harvest Time"

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD

## **Tithes and Offerings**

\* Offertory Response:

#661 v. 2

"May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give."

### \*Prayer of Dedication:

Heavenly Father, you have given us this gift of life and our many possessions. During these offertory moments, we joyfully and faithfully return this money that ultimately belongs to you. In the name of your son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

### **SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

#### Invitation

\* **Hymn:** "Here, O my Lord, I see thee" \*verses 1, 2, 3 #543

#### Affirmation of Faith:

# The Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Remembering the Meal with Jesus

# **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

The Eucharist is thanksgiving to God. We pray for the world and with gratitude offer our lives to God.

We celebrate his victory over death and anticipate the joyous feast we shall have in his coming kingdom.

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, with joy we give you thanks and praise. Through the words of your prophets you gave your people hope by promising them the Redeemer. And now we rejoice that in your Son, Jesus Christ, the Saviour has come and will come again in power and glory making all things new.

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.

We thank you for sending your only Son Jesus to live among us, full of grace and truth. Sharing our joy and sorrow, he healed the sick and was a friend of sinners. Obeying you he took up his cross and died that we might live.

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

We come to this, His Table, in simple trust, seeking the transforming power of your Spirit: on this assembly of your people, on these words and actions, on this bread and wine, in order that, by the miracle of your grace, we may be united to Christ and to one another – one in body, one in spirit, one in faith.

Be with us now through your Holy Spirit as we celebrate with great joy the resurrection of our Lord, his presence with us in this feast, and his promise of a new creation. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, who lives in unity with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, to all eternity. Amen.

# **Sharing the Meal**

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer #535

### **WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

\* Hymn: "Worship the Lord" #555

**Blessing** 

Response: #624 Refrain

"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)