

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Prayer

(from The Book of Praise, #535)

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen

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Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in unison

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Entry of the Bible

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn: "Word of God, across the ages" #497

Opening Prayer:

Almighty God, we praise you for your wisdom and Spirit that guides us, for your beauty that surrounds us, for the glory we see in all creation, in prayer, in scripture, and in lives and communities shaped by Christ's life, death, and resurrection. Forgiving God, you show us a more excellent way to act and to live, but we stray from you and choose other paths. Forgive us the sins of our souls and the sins of our bodies; our hidden sins and the ones that are well known; the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others. Liberate us from the past we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and give us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ who is the light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

WE CELEBRATE GOD'S CHILDREN

*Praise Song: "More About Jesus" (blue song book) # 24

Exploring God Together

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation: #498 v. 1

"Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life, beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life

Bible Readings:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

Luke 4:16-30

pg. 436-437 OT

pg. 498-499 OT

pg. 61-62 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 Biggest Shortest Sermon"

Hymn: "Lord Jesus, you shall be my song" #665

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

* Offertory Response: #379 v. 1

"From heaven you came, helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled, not to be served but to serve, and give your life that we might live. This is our God, the Servant King, he calls us now to follow him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King."

*Prayer of Dedication:

Loving God, we are so thankful that you, through your son, Jesus Christ, have come and stood on a level place with us. We need you to abide with us in our ordinary, everyday lives. We, your gathered crowd of disciples, participate in this act of worship by offering you a portion of the money that we have earned from the work of our ordinary, everyday lives. We pray in the name of the one who renews and restores, Jesus Christ, Amen

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (see back of bulletin)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn: "Will you come and follow me" #634

Blessing #726

"May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all, working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call

Postlude: (Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness)