

## 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

Cover Drawing by Colin Rackham



## *Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

### **Harvest Sunday**

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## WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

### Musical Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

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

Instrumental Hymn: “Now thank we all our God” #457

### \*Opening Prayer:

Generous and forgiving God, you are the first and the last, the giver of all good things. Your glory is endless; your power is incomparable. Your love stretches wider than the universe; your mercy reaches beyond the heights of heaven. With hearts thankful for the abundance of your creation, we gather to worship and adore you. Inspired by this time of worship, may our hearts overflow with praise each and every day, and may our lives reflect our gratitude to you in the ways we share your abundant love in Jesus' name.

Loving God, we confess that in a world where many do not have enough, we enjoy more than we need. In a world where many live in fear, we take peace for granted. In a world where many have lost hope, we become indifferent to despair and grumble about small things. Forgive us and transform our lives to shine with the generosity, peace and hope you offer us in Christ Jesus. Amen.

### \*Assurance of Pardon

Special Music: Cyril Johnson

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Bible Readings:

Luke 17:11–19	pg. 80	NT
Psalms 65	pg. 527-528	OT
2 Corinthians 9:6–15	pg. 183-184	NT

Sermon: “The Test of Gratitude”

Instrumental Hymn: “For the fruits of all creation” #802

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

### Tithes and Offerings

### \* Prayer of Dedication:

Gracious God, we recognize that this Thanksgiving comes during a complicated time. We celebrate the gifts of God's good earth which sustain us, as well as the labour of those who have kept us supplied with these gifts throughout many difficult months. Today we present our gifts to you as tokens of our thanksgiving for all we have received from your hand. Bless these gifts and multiply them, just as Jesus multiplied a few loaves and fishes to bless others. Use our gifts and our energy to share your love in our community and around your world, for the glory of Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

### Blessing

### Music Postlude:

(Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness during Postlude)

"Welcome to worship! We're glad you're here with us this morning. A video devotional based on the same scriptures and sermon topic is available on our Church website and Facebook page.

