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## **First Presbyterian Church**

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**Come, Worship the Lord, Our God**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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***Words to hymns are on the back of the bulletin***

**August 8, 2021**

**10:00am**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**Happy are those who trust in God.**

**Let us worship God.**

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

Redeeming God, you satisfy our soul's hunger through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Filled with your steadfast love, let us live in love, working honestly to share with the needy, feeding others with the bread of kindness, tenderness, and forgiveness. Amen.

**HYMN:**       #15   *All Creatures of Our God and King*

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins to the One who hears our voice and is deeply moved by our distress.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Time for Silent Confession*

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**Let us put away bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us.**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

## **SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

Ephesians 4:25–5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

## **SERMON**

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## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **CALL TO THE OFFERING**

God is our rock and our fortress. Let us celebrate our salvation by fearlessly giving a portion of what has already been given to us, either by placing it in the basket in the back of the church, or by mailing it in.

### **THE OFFERTORY**

*Till All the World*

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### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Receive these gifts, O God. May our lives be a fragrant offering that is pleasing to you, in union with Christ's offering for us. Amen.**

**HYMN:** #504 *We Come as Guests Invited*

### **CHARGE**

Drawn by the Father, nourished by Christ, and sealed by the Holy Spirit, go now to imitate God's love, feeding the hungry, forgiving the hateful, and spreading the fragrance of grace wherever there is need.

### **BENEDICTION**

#### **Hymns**

#### **"All Creatures of Our God and King"**

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. O brother wind with clouds and rain, you nurture gifts of fruit and grain.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
O sister water, flowing clear, make music for your Lord to hear. Sing praises!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. O brother fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shadows of the night.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Dear mother earth, who day by day unfolds such blessings on our way, sing praises!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. All who for love of God forgive, all who in pain or sorrow grieve,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Christ bears your burdens and your fears; so, even in the midst of tears, sing praises!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5. And you, most gentle sister death, waiting to hush our final breath:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom, fair is the night that leads us home.  
Sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6. O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One! Sing praises!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **“We Come as Guests Invited”**

1. We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,  
his friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;  
the bread of life is broken; the wine is freely poured for us,  
in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

2. We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,  
And in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;  
With wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,  
We find in Jesus living our ever present friend.

3. One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,  
our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine:  
Renewed, sustained, and given by token, sign, and word,  
the pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.