

First Presbyterian Church

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Embodying Christ's inclusive love through heart, mind, and service

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

October 16, 2022 • *29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Please stand, in body or in spirit. Text printed in bold italics to be read in unison.*

Prelude

Welcome

***Call to Worship** (*adapted from Psalm 121*)

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord is your keeper, the one who will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in forevermore.

***Hymn 18**

Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

(a moment for silent confession)

Merciful God, in spite of our best efforts to live faithfully, we fall short of what you intend for us. We are slow to love others as you have loved us. We often waste your gifts and hoard our goods. We are quick to lose heart and abandon hope. Forgive us, we pray. Return us to your right path, that we might follow you more closely and serve you more faithfully; through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***The Peace of Christ**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

***Sung Response**

The Steadfast Love of the Lord Never Ceases

Glory to God, 59

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

God's mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning;

Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.

Time with Children

Dear God, thank you for the children in this church family. May they learn to follow Jesus and show his love for all people. And may we always show them your way in everything we do and say.

God bless you and keep you,

God smile on you and gift you,

God look you full in the face and make you prosper. Amen

(Children are welcome to return to their seats or join the activity in the fellowship hall.)

Anthem

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

Scripture Reading

Luke 18:1-8

Sermon

The Squeaky Wheel

Sharon Youngs

Musical Reflection

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed *(traditional)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Glory to God, 469

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.

Prayers of the People with The Lord's Prayer *(ecumenical)*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.

***Hymn 769**

For Everyone Born

***Charge and Blessing**

***Sung Response**

Irish Blessing

(inside back cover of hymnal)

Postlude

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*The flowers today are given by Shirley Frykman to the glory of God
and in memory of her parents, Merle and Micky Garrison,
who lived their Christian faith so very well.*

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Announcements

—Thank you to Kiersten Ruisard for serving as our liturgist today.

—Today is the second of three installments of **Who Are We Presbyterians?**, a discussion (led by Sharon) for everyone, especially folks who are new to FPC or want to know more about the congregation and the PC(USA), begins as soon as possible after worship in room 6 (next to the sanctuary).

—The youth will be attending the **Small and Mighty** Top Golf event this evening. The carpool will leave at 4:30 p.m. and return around 7:30 p.m.

—We will be celebrating **All Saints Day on Sunday, Nov. 6**. The service includes the reading of names of those who have died over the past year (since November 2021). Please send to Madison (fpcadmin@comcast.net or 483-1318) the names of those you would appreciate having included – family members, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and beloved pets. Deadline for submission is Sunday, Oct. 30.

—**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** is hard at work in the wake of Hurricane Ian and other damaging storms. Financial support for their relief efforts (designated to DR000194) can be made by going to www.pcusa.org/GIVE-HURRICANES, by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with DR000194 on the memo line. Mail checks to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P. O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

LOOKING AHEAD

Oct. 23: Youth Group pizza and pumpkin carving

Oct. 30: Baptism of Maren Grace Aragones

Oct. 30: Fifth Sunday event: Paul Akers & Barbara Reeve's summer adventures

Nov. 5: Church hike

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