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Order of Worship, First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 18, 2020 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements Rev. Stephanie Ells

Prelude "Meditation for Prayer" Turner

For Prayer and Reflection:

Come to the Rock, the God of life, for God is present now.

Call to Worship

Friends, we gather together this morning to proclaim the ways in which God is working within our midst.

We have been blessed by God!

We gather together to give thanks for the ways in which God is working within our midst.

We are being blessed by God!

We gather together to open our eyes to the ways God is using us to work within our midst.

We will continue to be blessed by God!

Dear ones, God has given us so much and is very much alive, at work and still speaking among us.

We are called to give back.

We are called to proclaim our faith in God through giving.

Give our time, our resources, and our money.

Let us give thanks to our God of blessings!

Let us worship our God of blessings!

Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise #64

"O God Beyond All Praising"

Thaxted

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today

And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;

For we can only wonder at every gift you send,

At blessings without number and mercies without end;

We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your Word,

We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,

That we who know your favor may serve you as our King;

And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,

We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:

To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,

And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we place our trust in tangible things — things we can see and touch — and question whether you are really there. Forgive us, Holy One, when we fail to recognize that you are always nearby, patiently waiting for us to recognize your presence and your glory. Help us when we lose our way, and forgive us when we forget to whom we truly belong. Lover of Justice, open our eyes to see you; open our ears to hear you; open our hearts to love you; and open our hands to serve you.

Silent Confession (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri #734

"Glory Be to the Father"

Greatorex

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.

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Exodus 33:12-23

Special Music

"Power in the Blood"

Jones

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon

"Give to God"

*Hymn of Response

"My Worth Is Not in What I Own (At the Cross)"

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My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone

But in the costly wounds of love

At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame

But in the blood of Christ that flowed

At the cross

Refrain: I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure,

Wellspring of my soul, I will trust in Him, no other.

My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure,

Wellspring of my soul, I will trust in Him, no other.

My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die, fame, youth and beauty hurry by

But life eternal calls to us

At the cross (Refrain)

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light

But I will boast in knowing Christ

At the cross

Two wonders here that I confess, my worth and my unworthiness

My value fixed - my ransom paid

At the cross

*Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostles' Creed"

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.

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and 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.

*Sending Hymn #687

"All Things Are Yours!"

Germany

All things are yours! We make that true When we return our gifts to you. And so we give, and so we share, In Christ's strong name expressing care.

"Give out of love," your Word commands. We are your head, your heart, your hands. Your Word you underscore with deeds By using us to answer needs.

O what a joy to give and then, Out of compassion, give again. You have no needs. Though that be true, The gifts we share are given to you.

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*Benediction

*Postlude "The Awakening" Broughton

*Those who are able, please stand

Leaders in worship:

Liturgists: Sam Morales
Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells
Music Director & pianist: Kristen Eby

Special Music Director: Jill Klinebriel Musicians: Alex Eby, Linda Longfield Technical Directors: Bryan and Sara Blair

Lectionary Reading for October 25

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

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