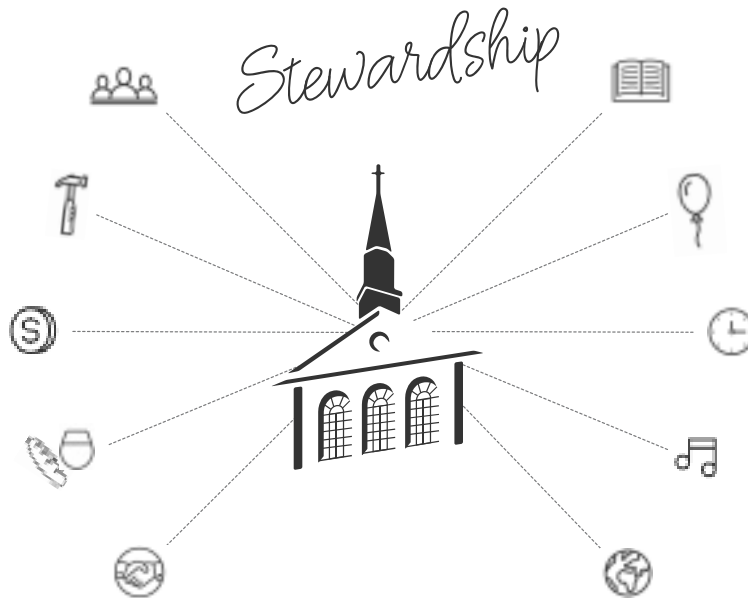




First Presbyterian Church in Springfield

Service for the Lord's Day
October 18, 2020 | 10:00 am
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost



..... We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
Hold fast to your hope without wavering,
for God who has promised is faithful.
Let us worship God.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn: 15 All Creatures of Our God and King

see hymns sheet

Prayer of Confession:

Eternal God, we confess
that we have failed to seek your will.
You warn us of what is to come,
but we ignore the signs of the times.
You promise us a new creation,
but we cling to the ruins of this world.

(Silence for personal confession)

Forgive us, God of grace.
Wash away the stain of our sin and keep us
faithful in love and in deed, while we await
your coming in glory; through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Assurance of Pardon

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: Glory Be to the Father

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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.

*Sharing in Peace

Thanks be to God: Christ makes us one.
The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

..... We Listen

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 4: 8-11

Children's Sermon

Anthem: Here I Am Lord

arr. Mark Hayes

Second Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 9: 6-8

Sermon: "Caring for What Matters"

Steve Bauer

..... We Respond

*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

Glory to God, p. 35

*Hymn: 761 Called as Partners In Christ's Service

see hymns sheet

Prayers of the People

This will be different today. Please leave a request in the comments for a prayer you're comfortable sharing with the general public.

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.

Invitation for Offering

Offertory

For a worship service to be decent and in order, it requires an offering. So we'll stay in order. I say what I'm about and not in spirit different than I would on a Sunday morning, that these are gifts given in humility and joy. But when we cancel service, it doesn't cancel the bills. So if you normally share an offering please consider bringing it the next time you come or checking out our online giving portal: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCSdonate>

*Presentation of Offering: Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

..... We Follow

*Hymn: 792 There Is a Balm in Gilead

see hymns sheet

*Benediction and Log Off



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Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield! We are a welcoming congregation that seeks to cultivate and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ in a community of learning, healing and sharing. It is our prayer that this will be a meaningful time of challenge and encouragement. Wherever you may be on your faith journey, there is a place for you to participate here. Childcare is available for children up to three years old in the Nursery.



The flowers today are presented by Karen & Bob Scott and are "in honor of our family and friends."

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Deacon's Coffee Hour -

The Deacons are hosting another virtual coffee hour/fellowship on October 25, 2020 directly after the service. We look forward to seeing you!

The link to the zoom meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87350865354?pwd=bzJmWFZnSjZpRG5yenhnLOU2a2xhdz09>

E-blast and Prayer Chain -

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain or the church news e-blast list (or both), please e-mail cindyg@flourtownpres.org or call 215-233-3223 and leave a message. Note that there are two separate lists, so please indicate which list or both when reaching out. Thanks!

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Buy-A-Bucket Drive -

In light of all the natural disasters happening in our country - the wildfires in the Northwest, the hurricanes of the South, and severe thunderstorms in Iowa - several women in the church wanted to do something to help. We contacted Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) to see what they needed. The message back was "right now, clean-up buckets are urgently needed."

Circle 3 met this week and decided to help with the need for clean-up buckets. From the PDA website, each 5-gallon clean-up bucket needs to have a lid and be filled with very specific items such as liquid laundry detergent, liquid household cleaners, dish soap, dust masks, work gloves and more. A total of 14 different items are needed for each bucket - a total value of around \$80.



To make this easier, Circle 3 is conducting a Buy-A-Bucket Drive. Please consider funding all or a portion of a bucket. You can buy $\frac{1}{4}$ of a bucket for \$20, $\frac{1}{2}$ for \$40, $\frac{3}{4}$ for \$60 or a whole bucket for \$80 - or any amount will help toward filling our buckets.

The drive will start on October 1 and continue throughout the month. Once we have collected your donations, Circle 3 will purchase the items needed to fill the buckets and deliver them to the closest PDA drop off point. It is our goal to fill at least 5 buckets!

Please make your donation to the church. You can mail a check, drop it off at the church, or give via the church website. Donations should be noted "Circle 3 Bucket Drive".

For more information on Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, please visit <https://pda.pcusa.org/> Their motto is "Out of Chaos, Hope". So, help us provide hope to areas of chaos with your generous donation. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Karbinwnyk at judithkarbinwnyk@yahoo.com or any Circle 3 member.