

Prayer for the People and Lord's Prayer Choral Amen
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.

Call to Stewardship
All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory Charles Callahan
"Prelude on *Nettleton*"

*Congregational Response Hymn 606 *Old Hundredth*
Doxology
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer (Unison)
Thank you, God, for this high and holy moment in worship and in life when we have something to give that others need. Take our resources, our witness, our lives to benefit all your human family. May your glory be known among us and in all the world. Amen.

Sacrament Of Baptism: Nancy Richards

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 475 *Nettleton*
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

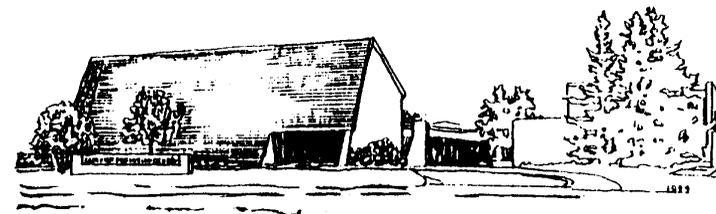
*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Choral Response Hal H. Hopson
"We Go in Joy"

We go in joy. Alleluia!
We go knowing whom we serve;
for by serving our fellow men, we serve God.
Alleluia!

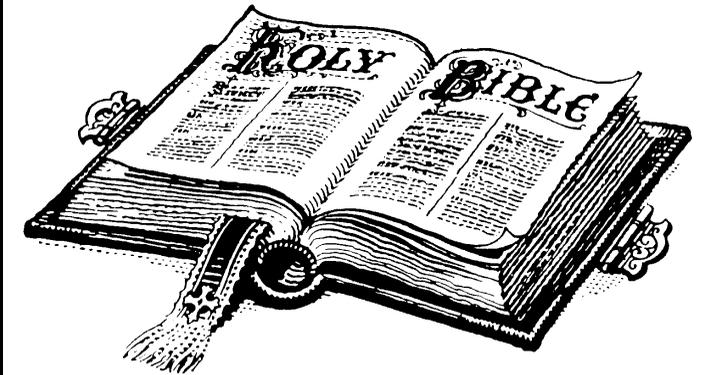
*Closing Voluntary Healey Willan
"Voluntary on *Gelobt sei Gott*"



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Today's liturgy has been adapted from <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com>

**Give heed to my reproof;
I will pour out my
thoughts to you;
I will make my words
known to you.**



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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

September 16, 2018 10:40 A.M.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

**The congregation is invited to stand as music begins.
Additional worshippers may enter as the
congregation sings.*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to worship at Grace First Presbyterian Church! As we light the Christ Candle, we are reminded that Jesus is the light of the world. As we pour the Baptismal Waters in the Font, we recall our baptism and newness of life. As we bring in the Bible, we remember the centrality of the Word. We worship our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. **(Please sign the attendance register, pass it down the pew, and then back so everyone can greet those worshipping in their pew.)**

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary K. Lee Scott
"Voluntary on *Shades Mountain*"

Chimes The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Come, friends, to a great celebration. In the midst of trouble, God is with us.
**We come from our wanderings, our lost places;
we bring our struggles, our lost souls.**
God, who created all things, loses nothing. Do not fear: God holds you very close.
**With hope for life and life eternal, we offer our
prayers and praise to God.**

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

**You have brought us again to new life, O God,
and gathered us in this community to be your people
as we work and witness in this world. Feed us today
with the presence of our risen Lord, and breathe into**

**us your Spirit, that we may be enabled in all we say and
do to glorify your name. Amen.**

*Hymn 436 *O Quanta Qualia*
"God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Wise God, you have more wisdom than we will
ever have together. In your wisdom you simply ask us to
confess our sins and be forgiven. Our sins are many and
varied yet you forgive us. Make us new again for we are
truly sorry that we have forgotten to love our neighbor
and ourselves, that we have damaged your earth with
pollution. Our lives are out of balance. Restore us
through the power of your love and the grace of our
Lord Jesus Christ.**

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Congregational Response Hymn 366 (v. 3) *Hyfrydol*
**Come Almighty, to deliver;
Let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy host above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.**

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Music Ministry *Ville du Havre*
arr. John Ness Beck

"It Is Well with My Soul"
Sanctuary Choir

**When peace, like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,**

it is well with my soul.

**My sin, O the joy of this glorious thought,
my sin, not in part, but the whole
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:
Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

**And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll:
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.**

Children's Time

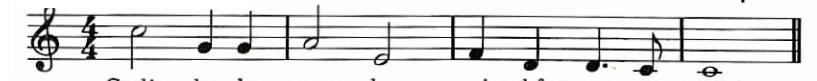
Pastor Edie

Children's Worship

*Kids up through 5th grade may go to Children's
Worship. All others stay in the sanctuary.*

Psalm 19 Pew Bible Page 498 Cantor: Kirk Pendleton

Refrain John B. Dykes
Arr. Hal H. Hopson



God's ho-ly name be praised for-ev-er-more.

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Sermon Text

Proverbs 1:20-33

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Sermon

The Rev. Edie A. Gause

TODAY WE CELEBRATE WISDOM!

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 707

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

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Pastor Nominating Committee Report

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church