

Responding to the Word

*Hymn (*Please See Insert*)

Minute For Mission

Property Ministry Team

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church

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

Wilbur Held

"Prelude on Morning Song"

*Congregational Response Hymn 647 *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One; Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son!

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
Let the poor say, "We are rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us!"**

Give thanks. Give thanks.

*Offertory Prayer

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 263

Coronation

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction (Responsive)

The kingdom of Christ's love is coming because:
somewhere someone is kind when others are
unkind, somewhere someone shares with another
in need,
**somewhere someone refuses to hate, while
others hate, somewhere someone is patient -
and waits in love, somewhere someone returns
good for evil,**
somewhere someone serves another, in love,
somewhere someone is calm in a storm,
somewhere someone is loving everybody.
Is that someone you? Is that someone me?
Go in the Peace of Christ to share Christ.

*Closing Choral Response

Hal H. Hopson

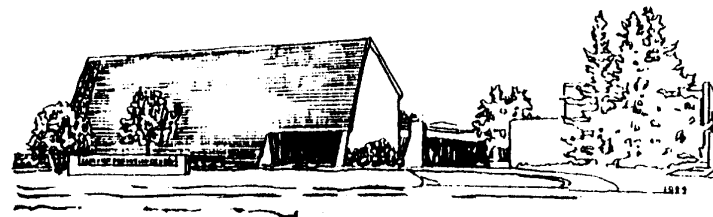
"Go Your Way Rejoicing"

**Go your way rejoicing; God is with you.
He will guide your way. Amen**

*Closing Voluntary

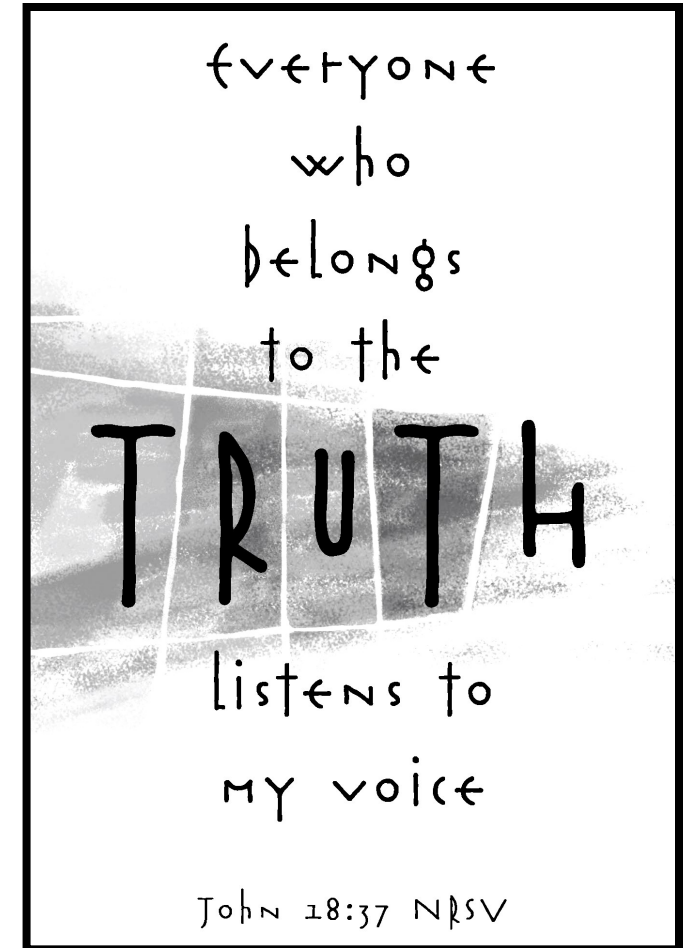
Michael Burkhardt

"Hymn Prelude on Old Hundredth"



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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

November 25, 2018

10:40 A.M.

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

**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! The title of the Sunday reminds us that this is the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. Next week begins Advent and a new Liturgical year. 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 Felix Mendelssohn
“Prelude in G Major”

Chimes The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship

With faith to face our challenges,
with love that casts out fear,
with hope to trust tomorrow,
we accept this day as the gift it is: a reason for rejoicing.
So let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life
in the presentness of God.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn 265 *Duke Street*
“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Beckoning Christ, you call us out of our comfortable ghetto of 'us' and 'them' to risk discipleship without walls. You call us into a world-wide fellowship where God is worshipped above all other. We are very insecure and helpless in living in a world without ‘us’ and ‘them’. We worship achievement more than we seek you. We try to make ourselves acceptable in the world, instead of accepting you and following you. We think we are special because of who we are. Teach us, forgive us, make us one in you aware than we display to the world the title Christian as followers of you. Jesus be what you and you alone would have us be. In the name of Christ, we pray

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Congregational Response Hymn 267 v. 2 *Madrid*
Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Music Ministry Charles Villers Stanford
“Jubilate Deo”
Sanctuary Choir

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before His presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord He is God:
it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him,

and speak good of His Name.
for the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting,
and His truth endureth from generation to generation.

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.

Scripture Reading Pew Bible
2 Samuel 23:1-7 Page 299

A reading from 2 Samuel
Thanks be to God.

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.*

Psalms 147: 1-11, 20c Pew Bible Page 582
Cantor: Rusty Crownover

REFRAIN Traditional Dutch Melody
Arr. Hal H. Hopson

There's a — wide - ness in God's — mer - cy
like the — wide - ness — of — the — sea.

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Sermon Text Pew Bible
John 18:33-38 Page 113

A reading from the Gospel of John
Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Rev. Edie A. Gause
WHAT IS TRUTH?