Minute For Mission From Christian Education

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 arr. Charles Callahan "Prelude on *Resignation*"

\*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.

\*Offertory Prayer

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Prayers of the Community

Words of Institution

Serving of the Elements

(Bread is taken when served to signify our individual response to Christ's invitation. The cup is held and all partake together upon the invitation of the pastor to signify our unity in the family of Christ. Gluten free bread is in small cups on each tray.)

Communion Voluntary

Prayer after the Meal (Unison)

Lord God, with this feast, join us in one holy communion of saints, one great cloud of witnesses, and with all the blessed dead whose lives of faith in unseen things continue to inspire us, as together we lift our voices to you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in eternal glory, now and forever. Amen.

### Bearing and Following the Word into the World

\*Hymn 326 Sine Nomine "For All the Saints"

\*Invitation to Discipleship

Roll Call of the Saints (Members who have Joined the Church Triumphant since the last All Saints Day.)

Loraine Schau November 17, 2017
Kathy Roberts January 23, 2018
Richard Harris May 31, 2018
Reneé Roberts June 5, 2018
Carla Trevino July 3, 2018

All other loved ones who have gone before us.

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Closing Choral Response Peter C. Lutkin "The Lord Bless You and keep You"

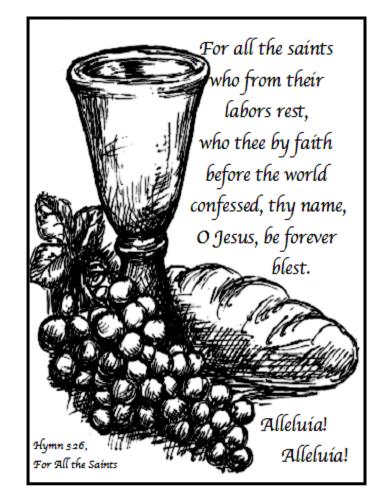
The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord lift His countenance upon you;
and give you peace,
the Lord make His face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you. Amen.

\*Closing Voluntary

Douglas E. Wagner

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#### THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

November 4, 2018

10:40 A.M.

## All Saints' Day

\*The congregation is invited to stand as music begins. Additional worshipers 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 worshiping near you.)

### **Gathering Around the Word**

Opening Voluntary J. S. Bach "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

Chimes

The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

There will be a new heaven and a new earth;

We are waiting for the reign of God.

The home of God will be among us;

We are preparing for the reign of God.

God will wipe away every tear from our eye;

We are expecting the reign of God.

Death will be no more! Crying and pain and sorrow will be no more!

Until that day comes, we are waiting, preparing, and expecting the reign of God to come.

We gather our hearts to worship our God, who is eternal, and whose love knows no end.

Amen and Amen!

Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn 804

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, we come to You knowing that we have not done our best, loved our best, hoped our best. We have given up, we have broken up, and we have failed to do what we ought to have done. We have not served one another, but have served ourselves first. We have not loved one another as we love ourselves. We have failed to be an example as the saints before us; we have failed to witness to Your love in this lifetime. Forgive us. Call us back to Your ways. Open our hearts to our neighbors, to the strangers in the world around us, to all of Your children, and may we remember we are one of them. In the name of Christ, who served us all, giving himself up for us in the greatest act of love imaginable, we pray.

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Congregational Response How Can I Keep From Singing Hymn 821

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
A fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am His!
How can I keep from singing?

# **Proclaiming the Word**

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

God who created us, let us listen and be inspired so we might find the ways to give you thanks with grateful hearts. Stir our spirits with your Spirit, Christ. Amen.

Music Ministry

Marion

Carl Schalk

"They Are Before the Throne of God" Sanctuary Choir

They are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

They shall hunger and thirst no more; the sun shall not strike them nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and He will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away ev'ry tear from their eyes.

Children's Moment

Pastor David

Children Leave For Worship

Psalm 146: 1-2, 5-10 Page 581 Cantor: Rusty Crownover



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Sermon Text Mark 12:28-34 Pew Bible Page 49

A reading from the Gospel of Mark **Thanks be to God.** 

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Edie A. Gause *And Just What Do YOU Want from Jesus?* 

# **Responding to the Word**

\*Hymn 203

Chereponi

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"