

# First Presbyterian Church

## Celebration of Worship

August 20, 2017

11:00 A.M.

*We're glad you're here! We are honored to have you join us for worship this morning. It is our hope that you experience the love of Christ during our worship service.*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Arr. Raney

Welcome & Announcements  
(Please sign and pass the friendship pads at this time.)

◆ Introit "Breathe"

**This is the air I breathe, this is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence, living in me**

**This is my daily bread, this is my daily bread  
Your very word, Spoken to me**

**And I'm, I'm desperate for you**

**And I'm, I'm lost without you  
(3x)**

◆ Call to Worship

L: When all we have hoped for and trusted in has let us down;

**P: There is Christ who reaches out to us.**

L: When the world seems dark and despairs threatens to close in upon us;

**P: There is Christ, reaching out for us.**

L: Come and let us worship the Lord who is always ready to reach out to us.

**P: We humbly come before the Lord in hope and faith.  
AMEN.**

◆ Opening Prayer

◆ Hymn #145 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

◆ Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Lord, we hunger and thirst for your loving touch and your presence. We sometimes think that we should be the only ones who receive these blessings, and we turn our backs on those in need, either by refusing to help or by pretending that the needs do not exist. Forgive our selfishness and stubbornness. Heal us and turn us again toward pathways of compassion for all your people. For we offer this prayer in Christ's Name.  
(Silent Prayers of Confession) Amen.**

◆ Assurance of God's Pardon (Jude 1:24-25)

L: To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—

**P: To the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.**

◆ Gloria Patri

**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.**

Thoughts for the Children Amy McAllister  
(Children's Church is available for 4 yrs. through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.  
Preschool children may be excused to the nursery.)

### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer 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.**

Morning Offering

◆ 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.**

◆ Prayer of Dedication

Gift of Music "Come Thou Almighty King"  
Amanda Teachnor and Mary Snider

New Testament Reading (Page 955) Philippians 4:1-9  
L: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**P: Thanks Be to God**

Sermon "Happy People..." Rev. AnnAline Drake

◆ Hymn #333 "Seek Ye First"

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

◆ Benediction

◆ Congregational Response

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

(Chorus) x 2

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord!  
Open the eyes of my heart!  
I want to see You, I want to see You!**

**To see You high and lifted up!  
Shining in the light of Your glory!  
Pour out Your power and love,  
As we sing Holy, holy, holy ...**

(Chorus) x 2

◆ Postlude "Happy" Pharrell Williams

◆ (Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)  
**Bold type indicates congregational response in unison.**  
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Please join us as we continue worship at Jay and Tamra McAtee's house for the Baptism of Austin and Cooper Hillgoss on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship services. In baptism,



we are called to a new way of life as Christ's disciples, sharing the good news of the gospel with all the world. Presbyterians describe baptism as a sign and seal of the covenant of grace made by God through Jesus and extended to us. In baptism, God claims us as beloved children and members of Christ's body, the church, washing us clean from sin as we renounce the power of evil and seek the will and way of God.

