

# *First Presbyterian Church*

## *Worship on the Lawn*

*September 10, 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                      *"The Real Thing"*                      Arr. Ham  
   *"Pour on the Power"*                      Arr. Tunney

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

◆ Introit                      *"Everlasting God"*

**(Chorus) x2**  
**Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord**  
**Wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord**

**Our God, You reign forever. Our hope, our strong deliverer**  
**You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God**  
**You do not faint, You won't grow weary.**  
**(Repeat Chorus)**

◆ Call to Worship  
L: Welcome this day to a celebration of God's magnificent creation!  
**P: Thanks be to God the Creator who has loaned to us such a beautiful planet.**  
L: Welcome this day to a recognition of God's redeeming love!  
**P: Thanks to God the Redeemer who has given us God's only Son as our Example and Teacher, Our Savior and Redeemer!**  
L: Welcome this day to the joy of God's Holy Spirit of truth and power!  
**P: Thanks to God the Sustainer who walks with us every day, guiding and guarding our steps. AMEN.**

◆ Opening Prayer

◆ Hymn #464                      *"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"*

◆ Prayer of Confession (Unison)  
Holy and eternal God, you created us in your image and gave us special responsibilities toward creation and our fellow human beings. You set us as caretakers for the earth and of all its plants and animals. You anointed us as disciples and told us to make fellow disciples the world over. Lord, in many ways we have failed to be good stewards. We have failed to live as disciples ourselves, to say nothing of making disciples of all nations. We beg your mercy and forgiveness for our sins and await the renewal of our minds and hearts. Be with this church that it may be a true witness to Jesus Christ in all that we do.  
(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.**

Anthem                      *"Down to the River to Pray"*

Moment of Silence Reflection

### **Responsive Reading Genesis 1**

L: Let us remember what our God has done!  
**P: God created the world out of a formless void.**  
L: Let us remember what our God has done!  
**P: God made every animal and plant, bird and fish.**  
L: Let us remember what our God has done!  
**P: God created people in the image of God.**  
L: Let us remember what our God has done!  
**P: God has made us caretakers of the earth.**  
L: Let us complete our task in faithfulness.

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

New Testament Reading (Page 950)                      Ephesians 2:8-10  
L: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**P: Thanks Be to God**

Anthem                      *"Blessed Be the Name Medley"*

New Testament Reading (Page 850)                      Luke 15:11-24  
L: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**P: Thanks Be to God**

Sermon                      *"Awaking to Longing"*                      Rev. AnnAline Drake

◆ Hymn #293                      *"This Is My Father's World"*

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

◆ Benediction

◆ Congregational Response (Unison)  
**May God's Spirit be with us in our hearts and minds as we leave this place to return home. May God's Spirit help us to see with new wonder the splendor of your creation all around us and inspire us to preserve and protect it.**

“10,000 Reasons”

**Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, Oh my soul  
Worship His Holy name  
Sing like never before  
Oh my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name**

**The sun comes up  
It's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass  
And whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing  
When the evening comes**

**Repeat Chorus  
I'll worship Your Holy name (x3)**

◆ Postlude “*I Wouldn't Take Nothing For My Journey Now*”  
“*Keep on the Firing Line*” Arr. Burger

\*“*Finding Your Way Back to God*” Campaign  
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◆ (Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)  
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Monday, Sept 11**  
7:00 p.m. AA/AI-Anon Meetings  
**Thursday, Sept 14**  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting  
**Sunday, Sept 17**  
9:30 a.m. Morning Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

**PRAYER LIST—JOYS & CONCERNS**  
Victims and those affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma  
Rains family—Loss of Keith Byrd (Kristi's Brother)  
Kristi Rains—Sinus surgery Recovery  
Deas Family—Loss of Bill Deas  
Gail Reed—Recovery from surgery (no visitors, calls & cards welcome)  
Margie Neff—Recovery from surgery  
Joe O'Masters (Len Gardner's friend)—Tumor  
Sharon Bender (Glenda Goodwin's friend)—Brain cancer  
Linda MacFarlane—Healing and Strength  
Linda Nelson (Willa Barnes' friend)—Lymphoma  
Davida Taylor (Amy McAllister's mother)—Cancer  
Joe Yalch (Greg Maloney's business partner)—Brain surgery

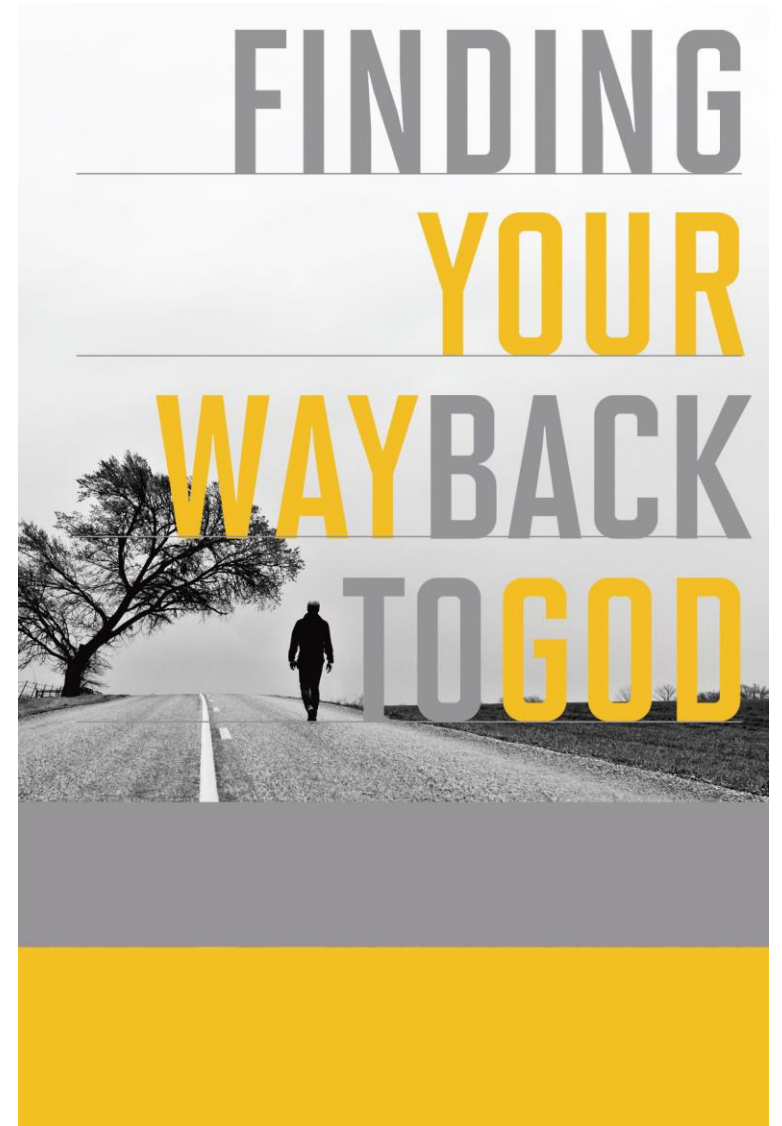
**WEDDING SHOWER**

You are invited to join us for a wedding luncheon and shower  
Sept 24, 12:30p to honor **Jessica Landis Rase and her husband Aaron Rase.**  
Jessica is the daughter of Jamye and Joe Landis. Join us as we welcome them both back to Sand Springs.  
The Shower will be an old fashioned "**Potluck and Pounding**"  
Come join in the fun by bringing:  
A salad to share for lunch.  
A gift for him or a gift for her,  
or a "**pound of something**" for their new house.  
Questions? See Jeanie Kvach or Pam Smithey.

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

Ushers: Len & Jennifer Gardner  
Sharon Bolton & Mary Snider  
Cody Shelton  
Liturgist:  
Trustee lock up: Stuart Hash

**OUR STAFF**  
AnnAline Drake—Interim Pastor  
Bill Zahringer—Director of Youth Ministries  
Amy McAllister—Director of Children's Ministries  
Doug Ruffner—Director of Music  
Amanda Teachnor—Organist and Accompanist  
Gail Reed—Treasurer  
Irene Dornberger—Children's Church Teacher  
Stuart Hash—Interim Office Administrator  
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