

First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

October 1, 2023

World Communion Sunday

Prelude I	<i>Siciliana</i> , from Ancient Airs and Dances	– Otto Respighi
Prelude II	<i>Because We Believe</i> HolyGrounds Praise Band & Congregation	– Jamie Harvill, Nancy Gordon
Greeting & Announcements		Dan Reeves
Responsive Call to Worship		Rev. David Hodgson
*Opening Hymn	<i>Come Let Us Eat</i>	#528
Unison Prayer of Confession		Ian Harding
Responsive Assurance of Pardon		
Time with our Children		Kyle Harding
Prayer for Illumination		Ian Harding
Scripture — Malachi 1:1,6-14		
Anthem	<i>Shall We Gather at the River</i> Sanctuary Choir	– arr. John Carter
Scripture – John 10:1-18		
Sermon	The Chosen Pronoun We, ... its promise and its peril	Rev. David Hodgson
Hymn of Affirmation	<i>Let Us Break Bread Together</i>	#525
The Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Communion Music	<i>Sweet Shalom</i> <i>Christ Be All Around Me</i> HolyGrounds Praise Band	– Claire Cloninger – Leslie Jordan
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. David Hodgson
The Lord's Prayer (sung by congregation)		– Music by Albert Hay Malotte
Call to Offering		Rev. David Hodgson
Offertory	<i>Shall We Gather at the River</i>	– arr. Robert Lowry

*Doxology	<i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i>	(<i>Lasst uns erfreuen</i>)
*Prayer of Dedication		Dan Reeves
*Closing Hymn	<i>Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ</i>	#526
*Benediction		Rev. David Hodgson
*Benediction Response	<i>O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	#610, Vs. 1
Postlude	<i>Lobet den Herrn, alle Heiden</i> (Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations)	– Ludwig Jetschke

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

To see more details on these announcements, check your **Weekly Update**.

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Christian Education: Adults in Library; Children in Jackson B.

Peace and Global Witness Offering is being collected through World Communion Sunday.

Community Dinner: Wednesday, 10/4.

Presbytery PW Fall Gathering will be hosted by our church on 10/7, 8:30-3:00.

FPC Artist Series presents Nicole Larsen in concert, 10/22 at 5:00 in Sanctuary.

Fall Festival: 10/28 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Parking Lot Fund envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Prayer Requests must be sent to: Prayer@fpcmesa.org or call the church office.

See our complete Church Calendar at fpcmesa.org/calendar.

Our service is being livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@fpcmesa7064/streams>.

Offerings can be made during worship, mailing to church office or using this QR code.



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