

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Helena, MT

Sunday, September 18, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

Liturgist – Patti Borsberry

Organist – Ann Swisher

Pulpit Supply–Dianna Goodman

Prelude

“Aria”

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn #721

Prayer of Confession

Peace of Christ / Gloria Patri

Choir Anthem

“Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho”

Trad. Spiritual, arr. John Purifoy

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 107:28-32 – Page 948

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:8-9 – Page 1819

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:35-41 – Page 1558

Sermon

“Stormy Seas”

Response Hymn #370

Offering

“Allegretto”

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Life of the Church

Prayers of the People

Unison Lord’s Prayer

Sending Hymn #182

Benediction

Response GTG #542

Postlude

“Allegro Maestoso”

Flor Peeters

NOTES:

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This Week

9/20 – Pinochle 1 p.m.

Session 6:30 p.m.

9/21 – Choir 7 p.m.

9/23 - Hand & Foot Cards 1:30 p.m.

9/25 - Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Social Time 11 a.m.

Hymns

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

Lord, you have come
to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy
nor wise ones;
you only asked me
to follow humbly.

O Lord, with your eyes you have
searched me,
and while smiling have spoken
my name;

Now my boat's left on the
shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold
and no weapons;
you will find there my nets
and labor.

O Lord, with your eyes you have
searched me,
and while smiling have spoken
my name;

Now my boat's left on the
shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.

You need my hands, full of caring,
through my labors
to give others rest
and constant love
that keeps on loving.

O Lord, with your eyes you have
searched me,
and while smiling have spoken
my name;

Now my boat's left on the
shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.

You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls
who are waiting,
my loving friend,
as thus you call me:

O Lord, with your eyes you have
searched me,
and while smiling have spoken
my name;

Now my boat's left on the
shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.

*“This Is My
Father’s World”*

This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings,
and round me rings
the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees,
of skies and seas,
his hand the wonders wrought.

**This is my Father's world.
O, let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems
oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.**

**This is my Father's world.
The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.**

***“I Heard the Voice
of Jesus Say”***

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast.”**

**I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found him in a resting place,
and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down and drink and live.”**

**I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched,
my soul revived,
and now I live in him.**

I heard the voice of Jesus say,

**“I am this dark world’s light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.”**

**I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk
till traveling days are done.**

***“God Be with You
Till We Meet Again”***

**God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick
confound you,
put unfailing arms around you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating
o'er you;
smite death's threatening wave
before you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 18

JOIN US FOR COFFEE, CONVERSATION

Please join us after the service for coffee, snacks, and conversation. You can contribute your culinary gifts (or shopping gifts) by volunteering to bring treats for Fellowship Time. Sign up on the sheet on the coffee table.

LAY LITURGIST TRAINING TODAY

A training session for people interested in serving as lay liturgists will be today, right after the worship service. Grab some coffee and join Dianna Goodman in the sanctuary.

LOST SOLES HIKE THIS AFTERNOON

Join us for a hike this afternoon. We will meet at the church parking lot at 4 p.m., and go to the walking trail by Ashgrove Plant, near Montana City. Afterwards, we'll have a no-host dinner, probably at Montana City.

CHOIR REHEARSES WEDNESDAYS

The First Presbyterian Church choir rehearses Wednesdays, at 7 p.m. Returning members and potential new singers welcome! For more information, visit with director Les Cramer or leave a message for him at the church office, 406-442-4775.

RODNEY ST. WORK CONTINUING

Access to Rodney Street may not be available at times over the next few weeks due to ongoing road construction. Be prepared to use Ewing Street to access our parking lot.

PINOCHLE GROUP MEETS SEPT. 20

FPC's new Pinochle group will meet Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 1 p.m. If you've never played this fun card game before, don't worry -- we can teach you. If there aren't enough people to play 4-handed, we can play 3-handed or even 2-handed. We will meet downstairs in the coffee area.

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS – WEEK 3

Connecting with Others: Peace and Global Witness giving began Sept. 4 and ends with World Communion Sunday on Oct. 2. But the Season of Peace should not end on Oct. 2. Peace is a movement and as such it should not be confined by dates. The purpose of the movement is to connect with each other, confront systems of injustice, and promote reconciliation in places around the world and right here at home. When we learn acceptance through the eyes of Jesus, we see people who are like us: people in need of caring and embracing the love of Jesus. Please keep this important reflection in mind during the season of peace and this special offering time.

HAND AND FOOT CARD GAMES

Hand and Foot card games are being played on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. Come, join the fun in the Fellowship area. Never played? No problem! The game is easy to learn, and willing teachers abound.

FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING

Our next hosting of Family Promise will be Oct. 2-3 (Friday-Saturday) at First Christian Church. We are looking for at least two overnight hosts. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet at the welcome station in the Narthex. For details, call co-chairs Joy Edgar at 406-202-2200, or Lucille Letcher at 406-431-8406.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE FRIDAY

Articles for the October “Mustard Seed” are due in the church office by Friday.

BOUNDARY TRAINING HERE OCT. 8

Pastors and elders are encouraged to attend a boundary training session Saturday, Oct. 8, at First Presbyterian Church of Helena. Presbytery Leader Beth McCaw will conduct the training. Watch bulletins and the newsletters for details.

COUPONS, WE NEED YOUR COUPONS!!

We need your help bringing in coupons for those in need here in our community. Please drop them off in the basket in the lobby as you come in the front door or contact Tonna Strasko for more information.

CONFIRMATION CLASS PLANNED

The Christian Education Committee is planning to start a Confirmation Class in the fall, with the date to be determined. The recommended ages are 13 years and up. Anyone who knows of a youth interested in taking the class can contact Mary Stiles at 401-474-1517 or email: dagrod41@gmail.com

THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!

The Education Committee with the help of Boy Scout Troop #228 will hold its annual Pumpkin Patch starting Saturday, Oct. 8. Help is needed for set up, unloading pumpkins, covering up the pumpkins and taking a shift to sell pumpkins. (And, of course, to buy pumpkins!) Set up is Thursday, Oct. 6, at 4 p.m. Unloading is Friday, Oct. 7, at 4 p.m. The pumpkin patch schedule will be Monday-Friday, 2-6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sunday, noon-6 p.m. You will be able to sign up for shifts online or using the sheets taped to the office door. For details, contact John Coefield.

PRAYER CHAIN UPDATE

Candace Coefield will serve as prayer chain coordinator for the next several weeks, during Butch and Pearle's absence. To request prayers, please contact Candace at 406-461-3764 or email her at ccoefield@bresnan.net.

SESSION MEETS TUESDAY NIGHT

Session will meet Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 p.m. The Rev. Andy Smothers of Conrad, MT, will moderate the meeting.