Service for the Lord's Day

November 20, 2022 10:30 a.m.



First Presbyterian Church Asheboro, North Carolina

Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- L: The Lord be with you.
- **P:** And also with you.

The Gathering of God's People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
- P: For God's steadfast love endures forever.
- L: Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to all people.
- **P:** For he satisfies the hungry thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.
- L: O Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG OF PRAISE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Generous and Loving God: We focus on what we lack rather than what we have. We are envious of others and covet what they have. We confuse wants with needs. We are taught to never be satisfied and so we are always filled with dissatisfaction. Forgive us, O God for not trusting in your provision. Forgive us for not sharing with others and our failure to be generous. Forgive us and fill the emptiness of our souls with a peace that surpasses understanding, a joy that is complete, and a heart that finds contentment. Thank you for your love in Christ Jesus, Our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

- L: Lord, in your mercy.
- P: Hear our prayer.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #581

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Great Are You Lord

Gloria Patri

Spirit of the Living God

from Psalm 107

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ANTHEM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

OLD TESTAMENT READING NEW TESTAMENT READING Psalm 1: 1-3 Philippians 4: 10-15

- L: The word of the Lord.
- **P:** Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Like a Child at Home"

The Reverend Brian K. Rummage

Responding to the Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from The Study Catechism

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

I am a child of God. I belong to God, who loved me even before creation of all that is. Even though all of us have turned away from God and fallen into sin, God never stops loving us. In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus to be our Messiah—the anointed one who rescues us from sin and death. Jesus called disciples to follow him. He fed the hungry, healed the sick, blessed children, befriended outcasts, required people to repent, and forgave their sins. He taught people not to fear but to trust always in God. He preached the good news of God's love and gave everyone hope for new life. Amen.

Being Sent Into the World

HYMN #803

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

We welcome you to worship this morning. If you are visiting with us, we hope you find our congregation to be a place of welcome and spiritual nurture. Please take a Visitor Gift Bag with a devotional book and other gifts and information about FPC, as our way of thanking you for worshiping with us. Visitor Gift Bags can be found just outside the center Sanctuary door in the Narthex or in the Hospitality Center.

Children's Worship and Nursery Ministries: Our infant nursery is located in room #114 on our Children's Ministry hallway immediately behind the sanctuary. If you are unfamiliar with our facilities, an usher will happily guide you.

Worship is the heart of church life and it is important that our children feel welcomed and are strengthened for their own walk of faith. At the appropriate time in the service, children are invited to come to the front of the church for our children's message time with Pastor Brian. Afterwards children are dismissed to either return to sit with their parents or leave with our Children's Ministry Director Carla Lovell.

For those who choose to participate in in our children's worship experience, younger children (preschool-1st grade) will stay with Ms. Carla in Room 110. Older elementary age children (2nd-5th grade) will go to room 200. Our teachers will use this time to explore the different aspects of worship in a fun and engaging way.

Again, children are always welcome to stay for the entire "big church" service. As they grow and mature, we encourage them to be part of the full worshipping community.

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In consideration of others, please silence or turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Protective face masks are available in the Narthex.

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