# First Presbyterian Church

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022

### \*Those who are able may stand

PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP
PRELUDE MUSIC
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
MINUTE FOR MISSIONS
INVITATION TO REST



SONG OF CONTEMPLATION.....'Sweet Hour of Prayer'

## \*OPENING SENTENCES (Responsive)

God is the source of Wisdom,

The fount of life eternal.

Let us listen for the wisdom of God.

And worship the one whose words shape the world.

\*GATHERING HYMN #<u>735</u>....."I Need Thee Every Hour"

#### KYRIE

(Please join us in the "Kyrie", an ancient song that mirrors the words people used to cry out to Jesus for healing in the scriptures. In Greek they mean, "Lord, have mercy". The church has sung these words for thousands of years as prayer and to prepare our hearts for confession.)

Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)
Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)
Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)

<u>Kyrie Eleison</u> <u>Christe Eleison</u> Kyrie Eleison

# **CONFESSION OF NEED (Unison)**

God of silence and sound,

The voice of your wisdom hums through the whole world.

We need you to teach us how to listen.

We need you to guide us, to place our trust in you.

Challenge us to see the things that matter.

Too often, O Lord, we refuse to listen.
We place our trust in things that are fleeting.
We seek the things that make us comfortable,
Rather than seek the way of your peace.
Forgive us and re-orient us,
Teach us to walk in the path of your wisdom.

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#### SILENCE FOR CONFESSION AND RESTING IN GOD'S GRACE

#### **DECLARATION OF GRACE**

As far as the east is from the west, so are our failures removed from us.

This is the Promise of God, to lead us into newness no matter what lays behind.

Children of God, In Christ you are forgiven.

RESPONSE HYMN #469..."Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

#### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And Also, with you!** Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker's ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.

Amen.

<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
FIRST READING 2 Chronicles 7:12-16 (pg 434)
SECOND READING
GOSPEL READING
SERMON Making Space for: Prayer Ruth Sanders
SILENCE FOR REFLECTION
*HYMN OF THE DAY # <u>451</u> " <i>Open My Eyes"</i>
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  Lord in your Mercy. Hear our Prayer.
THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins") – see insert
*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)  Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.  Alleluia! Amen.
*CLOSING HYMN # <u>765</u> "Song of Hope"
*DISMISSAL (Responsive)
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God. Amen.

\*POSTLUDE

# A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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# Calendar for this week:

#### Sunday, September 18, 2022

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Congregation Meeting

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Preaching...... Ruth Sanders

Ushers & Greeters......Bill & Gloria WatroPianist.....Marlys Finkenbinder

Music Director...... Sandy Perkins Reader..... Ralph Pester

# Wednesday, September 21

6 pm Bell Rehearsal

## **Thursday, September 22**

1 pm Book Study

# Next Sunday, September 25

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Preaching...... Rev. Michael Ozaki

Ushers & Greeters...... Ralph Pester / Marlys Mjoen

 Organist......
 George French

 Music Director.....
 Sandy Perkins

 Reader.....
 Marsha Odom