

October 8, 2023; 9:00 am
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather Together

Prelude: Toccata on “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
by Carl G. Glaser

Welcome & Announcements *Jolene Schry*
Alternative Gift Fair Meeting *Sue Baker, Serving Team*

Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship** *Jolene Schry*

Welcome to God’s house, a place of faith.

From our homes, we come seeking God’s word.

Here you will find nourishment and hope.

May we learn lessons of courage and peace.

Here you will find rest from your struggles

Lord, prepare our hearts to receive your words that we may leave this holy house of faith and return to our homes, encouraged and challenged to be your people. AMEN.

*** Opening Prayer**

Gracious God,

you have called us to be your faithful witnesses. We struggle with this because so often we are caught up in our doubts and our despair about this world. Help us to turn again to you, living in your household of freedom and peace, of reconciliation and witness. We offer this prayer in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

***Sung Response: GTG 12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”**
vs. 1-3 *Carol Wetzel, Cantor*

***Call to Confession**

God's law is right and just,
offering us wisdom and enlightenment.

**Yet we ignore the importance of God's law in our
Lives and persist in our own ways.**

In humility, let us confess our sins.

***Prayer of Confession**

God of the law and the prophets,

**We do not want to admit
all the commandments we have broken.**

We worship idols of money, success, and power.

We use your name to justify whatever we do.

**We do not honor each other;
we covet, we lie, we wish evil upon others.**

Our sins are too many to name.

Forgive us.

Speak to us and we will listen,

**remembering that you are
our freedom and deliverer.**

Silent Confession

(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Do not be afraid:

God loves us with an everlasting love;

God's grace is unending.

Siblings in Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God for such graciousness!

***Sharing God's Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient
formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those*

who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.)

***Sung Response:** PH 577 “Glory Be to the Father”

God’s Word Is Proclaimed

First Lesson: Psalm 23 (KJV)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou
anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Lesson: Genesis 31:36-41 (page 28 in the pew Bible)

Children’s Time

Jennifer Zander

Sermon: “115 Words of Wisdom and Comfort”

Chaplain Darren Beachy

Sung response: GTG 187 “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

We Respond to God’s Word

Offering: “Pastorale”

arr. by Dale Wood

***Offertory: GTG 609** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

(TUNE: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

***Offertory Prayer**

Prayers of the People

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.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

***Sung response: GTG 372 "O for a World" vs. 1, 2 & 5**

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude: "St. Denio"

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Please take a moment to thank those who help make our service run smoothly. Because of them, we can worship God well.

October Deacon of the Month
Amber Summeril

October Elder of the Month
Dave Erickson

This Week at Church

Sunday 10.08
9:00-10:00am Worship – Chaplain Darren Beachy
10:15am Fellowship Time
10:20am Creative Expressions of Faith Meeting – Room#7
10:20-11:15am Growing Connections
• Adults Hope on the Block
• 8th-12th Grade Room 6
• 4th – 7th Grade Room 3
• Preschool – 3rd Grade Room 8
10:30am Worship Team Meeting
11:30am Teacher Planning/Training – Gathering Room
1:00-3:00pm AA Planning Meeting
6:00-7:30pm Boy Scouts

Monday 10.09
10:00-11:00am Staff Meeting
2:00-3:00pm Loving Team

Wednesday 10.11
8:00-9:00am Men’s Breakfast
3:30-4:30pm Personnel Team
4:30-5:30pm Bell Choir
5:30-7:30pm Women in Faith

Saturday 10.14
9:00-12:00pm Table Tennis

Sunday 10.15
9:00-10:00am Worship – Pastor Dan Schultz
10:15am Fellowship Time
10:20-11:15am Growing Connections
Milk & Honey Cooking School - Intergenerational
1:00-3:00pm AA Planning Meeting
6:00-7:30pm Boy Scouts

Looking Ahead

Worship	October 22	Chaplain Darren Beachy
Worship	October 29	Chaplain Evan Stark
Blood Drive	October 30	Sign up in the Narthex or online
Worship	November 5	Chaplain Darren Beachy
Worship	November 12	Worship Team (Leading Worship)

PRAYERS

Brian C.	Cathie (She is a friend of Mary B.)
Pat D.	Jerry and Mary H.
Gib D.	Chastity G. and Joan S.
Arnold L.	Jolene S. – Sister and her husband
Jesse F.	Lynn K.
Silas W.*	Jane D.
Liam A.	Ashley K.
Burt M.	Sue and Mark (They are friends of the Christie's.)
The Sleders	Presbyterian Nominating Committee (PNC)

*Silas passed away on September 29. His Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023. Please continue to pray for the Willey family.

**The Sleders – The Sleders are recovering from COVID at home. Prayers and cards would be appreciated. (Please, no calls or visits at this time.)

E-Giving

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Blood Drive

Turn a new leaf
Fall into giving 

**Monday
October
30**

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.**



First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive

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