### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

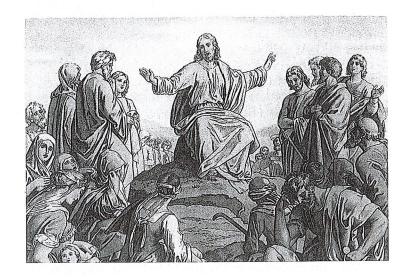
Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship and we would love to share a treat and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the yellow Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Worship bags for children are available in the back of the sanctuary. After the service, please take the papers home but leave the crayons. The Infant Care Room, equipped so users can hear the service, is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary. Sunday School is offered during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Moment for All Ages. You are welcome to join your child in the class, have your child remain with you during the service, or send them off to class.

It is good to have you here. Welcome.

\*The "Quiet Room" is available for anyone feeling the need to go to someplace quiet with their child(ren) but don't want to miss out on the service to do so. The audio of the worship is on a speaker in the room and the window overlooks the sanctuary.

# Pirst Presbyterian Presbyterian



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# Order of Worship October 10th, 2021, 10am 20th Sunday after Pentecost

**Prelude** 

"This is My Father's World" arr. by Larry Shackley

### Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,

"I am the Lord your God,

who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."

As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord, who continues to be our God and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.

Give thanks to the Lord. God's love endures forever!

\*Opening Hymn #554

"Let All Things Now Living"

**Responsive Prayer of Confession** 

God, you placed us in the world to be its salt.

We are afraid of committing ourselves, afraid of being stained by the world.

We do not want to hear what "they" might have to say, and our salt dissolves as if in water.

Forgive us, Jesus.

God, you placed us in the world to be its light. We are afraid of the shadows, afraid of poverty. We do not want to know other people's struggles,

and our light slowly fades away.

Forgive us, Jesus.

God, you placed us in the world to live in community. Thus you taught us to love, to share in life, to struggle for bread and justice, your truth incarnate in our life.

So be it, Jesus. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God I say, in Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven.

\*Gloria Patri #579

"Glory Be to the Father"

### Moment for All Ages

**Unison Prayer for Illumination** 

O Bright Morning Star, you truly are the light which shines in the darkness; yet you have also called us as your church to be the light of the world. May your Word in all its radiance cast out all shadows and dark places which keep us stuck, hurt, broken, and apathetic. Allow us to shine vibrantly that your presence, your peace, and your power to forgive become revealed to all through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 5:1-16

The Beatitudes

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of

heaven.

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness'

sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Salt and Light

13 "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15 No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Sermon

"Blessing, Salt, and Light"

\*Song of Response (insert)

"Speak, O Lord"

### **Affirmation of Faith:**

We believe in relationships.

We believe in asking hard questions, in showing up for one another, and in sitting together

through the pain.

We believe in listening with grace, learning with curiosity, and apologizing with sincerity. We believe in asking for help, saying what we need, and trusting that no degree of vulnerability

could strip us of God's love.

We believe in trying our best and offering grace

when our best is not enough.

And we believe that God is in all relationships—modeling for us the value of community through the relationships of the Trinity. So we love today, and we strive to love even more

tomorrow.

Let it be so. Amen.

\*Liturgy by Rev. Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

### Offering

\*Doxology

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication:

God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### 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; 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.

### \*Closing Hymn #432

"Song of Hope"

### \*Benediction

"Go out into the world in peace:
have courage;
hold on to what is good;
return no one evil for evil;
help the suffering;
honor all;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

With God's help we will.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you forever. Amen."

### **Postlude**

"Voluntary in D" by William Selby

\* Please stand if you are able.



Community Dinners have begun again at church and are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month from 5-6:30 pm!

Take-out meals will be available for people who call the church at 585-924-2289, during the Community Dinner time.

Dinners will be brought out to your car.

October dates: 9th, 16th, & 23rd

## Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to volunteer to help with our Community Dinners? We are looking for (7) volunteers for October 23rd, from 3:30-7:30pm. Please follow the link in the eNews to sign up, or contact the office! Thank you for your generous support with your time.

### Church Calendar

Announcements and monthly calendar can be found in our weekly eNews!

### Sunday, October 10

10:00 am

Worship

11:15 am

Coffee Hour

11:15 am

"I've been meaning to ask..." study

7:30 pm

A.A. & Al Anon

### Monday, October 11

Indigenous People's Day- Office Closed

7:00 pm

Session Meeting

### Tuesday, October 12

10:00 am

Free Panera

### Friday, October 15

7:00 pm

A.A. Meeting

### Saturday, October 16

5-6:30 pm

Community Dinner

### **Fall Office Hours**

Office: Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm Pastor: Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm

Announcements and calendar of events can be found in our weekly eNews!

Thank you to these members who are helping with worship today-Liturgist: David Henderson Deacon Greeter: Barb Cromwell

# Speak O Lord

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

