



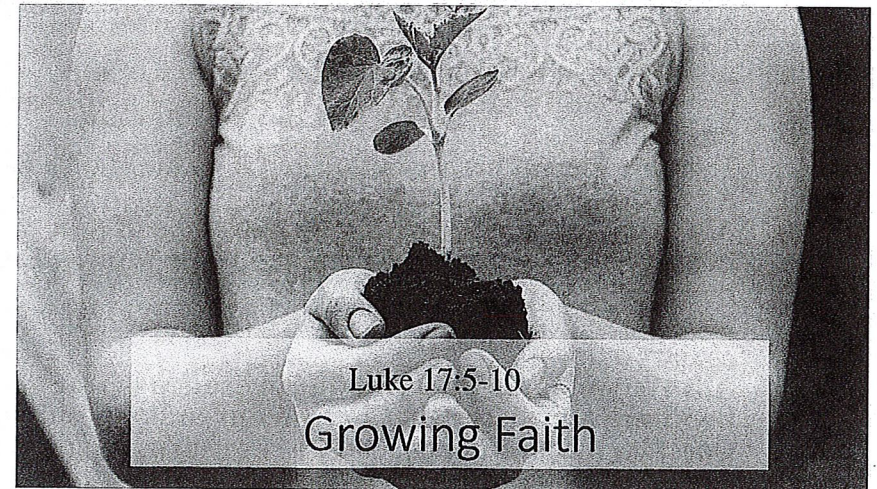
**Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:**  
**\*details on each event in your eNews\***

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| 9/20-11/1       | VFFC accepting Thanksgiving basket donations     |
| 9/20-11/15      | ZOOM Book Study (PGV churches)                   |
| 10/5: 1:30-7pm  | <b>Red Cross Blood Drive (Corey Hall)</b>        |
| 10/8: 8am       | Men's Breakfast                                  |
| 10/8: 5-6:30pm  | <b>Community Dinner (Soups &amp; Sandwiches)</b> |
| 10/10           | Indigenous People's Day (Office Closed)          |
| 10/11: 7pm      | <b>Session Meeting</b>                           |
| 10/15: 10-2pm   | PGV Ganondagan Fall Gathering                    |
| 10/15: 3-5pm    | <b>Confirmation Study Series with PGV @FPCV</b>  |
| 10/15: 5-6:30pm | <b>Community Dinner (Beef Stew)</b>              |
| 10/18: 6-8pm    | <b>Deacons host Fellowship Dinner @FPCV</b>      |
| 10/19: 1-2:30pm | <b>Blessings n' Blankets knitting group</b>      |
| 10/22           | VFFC Clean-up Day                                |
| 10/22           | FPOC "Night without a bed"                       |
| 10/22: 3-5pm    | <b>Trunk-or-Treat (FPCV parking lot)</b>         |
| 10/22: 5-6:30pm | <b>Community Dinner (White Chicken Chili)</b>    |
| 10/25: 6 pm     | Presbytery Meeting                               |

**\*Events in bold held at First Presbyterian Church of Victor**

# *First Presbyterian Church* IN VICTOR

**WHOEVER YOU ARE.  
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.  
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



Luke 17:5-10  
**Growing Faith**

**First Presbyterian Church**  
70 East Main Street  
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[www.victorpres.org](http://www.victorpres.org)  
**\*Guest Preacher Dean Cornwell**  
**Organist Ayn Patrowicz**



**Order of Worship**  
**17th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**\*Please stand if you are able.**

**October 2, 2022, 10am**

**Prelude** "This is My Father's World" arr. by Cindy Berry

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: We are called from the 4 corners of the earth to be one in Communion this day.

First presenter: This bread is offered from the continent of Africa and the country of Morocco.

**All: We welcome the symbolic presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ from Africa to our table.**

Second presenter: This bread comes from the Caribbean region of the world.

**All: We welcome the symbolic presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ from the Caribbean to our table.**

Third presenter: This bread is offered from the Middle Eastern region of our world.

**All: We welcome the symbolic presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ from the Middle East to our table.**

Forth presenter: This bread is offered from the South Asian country of India.

**All: We welcome the symbolic presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ from India to our table.**

One: May the presence of our Christ be with us all at this table as well.

**All: Come Lord Jesus, into our presence.**

Fifth presenter: This bread is offered from Europe and in particular from Great Britain.

**All: We welcome the symbolic presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ from Great Britain to our table.**

**Opening Prayer**

Holy God, giver of peace, author of truth, you are the giver of life. We pray for the church in the whole world. Sanctify her life, renew her worship, give power to her witnessing, restore her unity. Give strength to those who are searching together for that kind of obedience which creates unity. Heal the divisions separating your children one from another, so that they will make fast, with bonds of peace, the unity which the Spirit gives. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn #465**

"Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather"

**Call to Confession**

If we call out to God in our distress God will listen and hear our cries. Let us come together responsively in prayer to a forgiving God.

**Responsive Prayer for Forgiveness**

Gracious God, who made covenant with our ancestors,  
**we gather here today as a rebellious people.**

We want to act out your intentions for us,  
**but we get sidetracked by the false glitter of the world.**

You tell us to honor Creation,  
**but we use other people, animals, and plants for our own gain.**

You offer bread to every living creature,  
**and we steal that bread from our brothers and sisters in the name of greed.**

You promise us new life,  
**but we shrink back in fear, clinging to our death-dealing ways.**

Heal us, O Lord, lest we destroy ourselves and the planet.  
**We need your healing presence among us,**

that your good intentions for all of creation might be fulfilled at last.

**Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.**

*Silence is kept*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Our God is an awesome God and reigns from heaven above.

Our God is a forgiving God and forgives us even when we might not deserve it.

In this life and beyond, know that we are forgiven. **Amen!**

**Gloria Patri #579**

"Glory Be to the Father"

**Unison Prayer for Illumination**

**Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**



## Scripture Reading

Luke 17:5-10

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

## Sermon

"Equality Among Us All"

## Hymn of Response (see insert)

"We Come to This Table"

## The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you looked upon all your hands wrought and called it good. You smile upon purple mountains...

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the choir of creation and all the saints of all times and places who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, O Christ, for coming to us as a little child to live baptized in the muck of our fallen world...

...So as we await your coming among us In the fullness of your sovereign glory, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Praised be you, Holy Spirit, blowing through time to enliven your people, the church, to live as Christ's body, in God's ministry of repairing our broken world...

...Fill us like breath fills flutes

To be instruments of your peace.

Where there is lack of regard for your creation

**Prod us to speak up.**

Where people fail to see the dignity of all persons,

**Open blind eyes.**

Where there is silence about others being hurt,

**Impassion us with a desire for justice.**

Lord, your creation groans under abuse.

**Renew the earth with goodness.**

Your children are starving across this globe.

To those who hunger

**Give bread.**

And to those who have bread

**Give hunger for justice.**

People languish in prisons, Some unjustly,

Some without repentance,

And some for standing up for your Way.

**Release the captives, Lord.**

O God, our Sovereign, leaders in all lands

take bribes and afflict their peoples.

**Topple oppressive powers with your rule**

**and send the rich away empty.**

Your church luxuriates in the comfort of faith;

**Send us to be your servants in service to the world.**

The sick suffer forgotten in pain

**Heal their hurts in body, mind, and spirit.**

People have solicited our prayers

And others needing our prayers weigh heavy on our hearts

So we offer these, our prayers to you:

Gather all these prayers and praise

And join them with those of all the saints

And with our Great High Priest who taught us to pray, saying . . .



**The Lord's Prayer  
Words of Institution  
Communion**

**Prayer after Communion**

**Help us rise in your resurrection power  
from this table where you,  
the Ruler of the Universe,  
have served us by your own hand,  
that we may extend your arms  
of peace to a world at war.  
This we ask through Christ, in Christ, with Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit.  
May all honor and glory and dominion be yours  
Now and forevermore.  
Amen.**

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**Blessed are you, God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.  
Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn #514**

**"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Benediction**

**May the love of God surround you,  
the wisdom of Christ guide you,  
and the power of the Holy Spirit encourage you  
as you joyfully proclaim:  
Our world belongs to God!  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

**Postlude**

**"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" arr. by Don Hustad**

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***Choir is back!***

We are planning to have the choir sing the first Sundays of the month, starting in November. Rehearsal will be from 11:15-noon on Oct. 23 and Oct. 30. \*Also, if there is enough interest, we will have the handbells play on the 3rd Thursdays of the month, having practiced from 11:15-noon on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month. We would need at least 8 people to form a choir. Please let Ayn know if you'll be joining us or if you have any questions (ayn@patrowicz.com).

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, October 2 World Communion Sunday

10:00 am          Worship w/communion  
11:15 am          Fellowship Hour  
7:30 pm          A.A. & Al-Anon  
                         Meetings



### Tuesday, October 4

10:00 am          Free Panera  
7-9:00 pm          Bridge Class

### Wednesday, October 5

1:30-7 pm          Red Cross Blood Drive

### Friday, October 7

7 pm                  AA Meeting

### Saturday, October 8

8 am                  Men's Breakfast  
5-6:30 pm          Community Dinner (Soups & Sandwiches)

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***Thank you to these members who are  
helping with worship today-  
AV: Bill & Samantha Martz  
Greeter & Fellowship:  
Cathy & Samantha Martz***

***Volunteer Opportunities, ongoing...  
Liturgists, Communion preparers, Coffee Hour,  
Special Music, Choir & Handbell Choir***  
Contact the office if you are willing and able to give your  
time in one or more of these areas!

### **Community Dinner**

**\*HELP NEEDED for October 8th Community Dinner\***  
We are hosting the October 8th Community Dinner. The menu is  
soups and sandwiches. We are in need of soups (ideally in  
crockpots) and cookies/brownies and volunteers!  
Contact Brenda Dean (brenda.14450@gmail.com or 585-259-  
5687) to help or sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/Comm-Dinner>

## 465 Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather

TOKYO 7.5.7.5 D

Tokuo Yamaguchi, 1958

Trans. Everett M. Stowe, 1958; alt. 1972

Japanese gagaku mode  
Isao Koizumi, 1958

1. Here, O Lord, Your ser - vants gath - er, Hand we link with hand;  
 2. Man - y are the tongues we speak, Scat - tered are the lands,  
 3. Na - ture's se - crets o - pen wide, Chang - es nev - er cease;  
 4. Grant, O God, an age re - newed, Filled with death - less love;

Look - ing toward our Sav - ior's cross, Joined in love we stand.  
 Yet our hearts are one in God, One in love's de - mands.  
 Where, O where, can wea - ry souls Find the source of peace?  
 Help us as we work and pray, Send us from a - bove

As we seek the realm of God, We u - nite to pray:  
 E'en in dark - ness hope ap - pears, Call - ing age and youth:  
 Un - to all those sore dis - tressed, Torn by end - less strife:  
 Truth and cour - age, faith and power Need - ed in our strife:

MORNING AND OPENING HYMNS

Je - sus, Sav - ior, guide our steps, For You are the Way.  
 Je - sus, teach - er, dwell with us, For You are the Truth.  
 Je - sus, heal - er, bring Your balm, For You are the Life.  
 Je - sus, Sav - ior, be our way, Be our truth, our life.



“We Come to This Table.”      *(We Gather Together)*

We come to this table, O God, with thanksgiving.  
We lift up our hearts, we remember, we pray.  
We hear Jesus’ welcome—inviting, forgiving;  
We know your Spirit’s peace as we feast here today.

We dine at your table as sisters and brothers,  
Diverse in our cultures, yet nourished as one.  
The bread and the cup that we share here with others  
Are gifts uniting all who are claimed by your Son.

We grieve for your world here; we cry, “How much longer?”  
We pray for the cycles of violence to cease.  
Yet here, in Christ broken, we’re fed and made stronger  
To labor in his name for a world filled with peace.

We rise from this table with new dedication  
To feed the world’s children, to free the oppressed,  
To clear out the minefields, to care for creation;  
We pray, O God of peace, that our work will be blest.

## 514 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

LINSTEAD LM with refrain

Jamaican folk melody  
Adapt. Doreen Potter, 1975

Fred Kaan, 1975

1. Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy,      Reach - ing out.      with a  
2. Christ is a - ble to make us one,      At the ta - ble He  
3. Je - sus calls us in, sends us out      Bear - ing fruit in a

shout of joy:      Bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured,  
sets the tone,      Teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,  
world of doubt,      Gives us love to tell, bread to share:

*Refrain*

Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
Love in word and in deed ex - press.  
God (Im - man - u - el)      ev - ery - where!  
Je - sus lives a - gain,

\*Maracas and other rhythm instruments may be used.

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