

WORLD  
COMMUNION  
SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 4



# First Presbyterian Church

October 4, 2020  
*27th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
10:30 AM

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**CENTERING PRAYER**

*O God, 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. (BCW, p. 811, a prayer from Zaire)*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS****CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)*Psalm 25:1-5*

We gather from the west to the east, from the south to the north,

**to celebrate the God of peace who accompanies us in our acts of peace.**

This God of peace accompanies us in each and every circumstance around us.

**We praise God's name! Amen!**

**\*MORNING HYMN***For the Beauty of the Earth*

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**\*CALL TO CONFESSION****\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Gracious God, you instruct us to look to the interest of others, to be of the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. We are to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but instead serve you with humility and patience. We know your will, we even say we will do it, and yet too often we fail to follow your commandments. We act out of self-interest. We regard others as less than ourselves. We neglect your teachings to care for the least of these. We refuse to follow you, go our own way and then wonder why we are so lost. Remind us of your mercy, Lord, of your steadfast love and your promise to forgive those who humbly repent and turn to you. Hear our prayer, work within us and enable us to do your will. Amen.

*(our prayer continues in silence)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (responsive)

God refuses to give up on us. God restores us. God sent the only Son to save us.

**There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God through Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Friends, believe the good news, through Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Oceans*

Malie Anderson

### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Philippians 2: 1-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**

Rev. Andy Chambers

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **CELEBRATION OF WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

### **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

#### **THE GREAT 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.

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

## **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.

## **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

*Word of God Speak*

Donna James

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**


**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**RESPONSE**

*Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines On Me*

\* Please stand as you are able

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## *Weekly Prayers*

### **Morning**

*Faithful God, you remain when others forsake. When I am tempted to abandon myself today, help me to stay present to this moment, that I may know and do your will. Through the Creator who enfolds me, Christ who defends me, and the Spirit who never abandons me. Amen.*

### **Evening**

*Mothering God, bring me back from today's distractions to the stillness of your presence, that I may rest in your enfolding arms. Amen.*

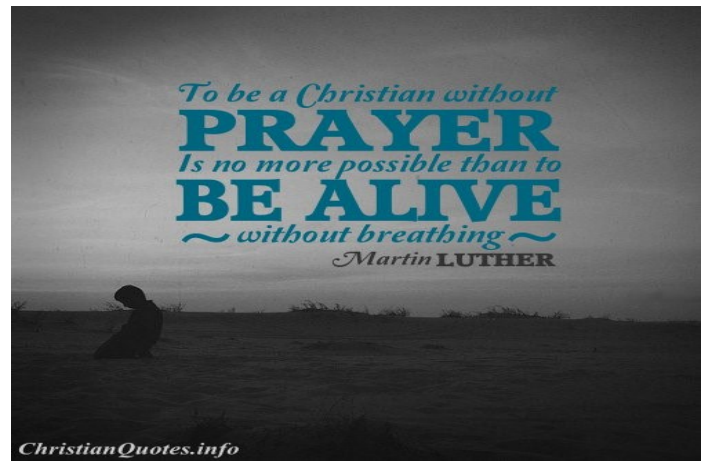
*There will be a called **Congregational Meeting** immediately following the worship service this morning for the purpose of electing an Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC). The proposed CNC is:*

*Sharon Baskin, Parks Miller, Cathy Webb, with Natalie Crawford serving as Chair. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.*

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer Person(s) of the week:  
**Say Phanthalath**

In the Military: **Cpt. Alex McLean** and family; **Cpt. Joe Campbell** (recently deployed to Jordan) and his family; **LCpl Kevin Matthews** who is stationed at the Marine Corps Base in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii; and **Cpt. Zach Peterson** and family (the Chosewood's nephew who will be deployed to Kuwait in October).



**Sheri Armour** (John Wayne Armour's mother); **Greg Hopkins**; **Keith & Katie** (Brenda Boonstra's brother/sister-in-law); **Marilyn Bedsworth**; **Joy Pruitt**; **Luke Phoummaseng**; **the Elrod family**; **Dwayne Owensby** (friend of David Baskin); **Chloe Crawford**; **Ann & Ron Bost** (Nancy Hendricks sister and her husband); **Sue Smith**; **Pat Austin**; **Joyce Barrett**; **Rush Mauney**; **"Turtle" Tournalack**; **Betty Gillette**; **Jim Stone** (friend of Ed Hendricks); **Laurie Oldroyd** (George and Martha Kaulbach's daughter); **Jan Tolbert** (friend of Pastor Andy); **Betty Schaeffer**; **John Foster**; **Celeste Sumner**; **Teresa Tournalack**; **David and Martha Lee Sherman**; **Karen Hooper** (Troy Webb's step-sister); **Mary Sue Tripp** (Troy Webb's cousin); **Maria Costley**; **Robin Griffin**; **Jackie Williams** (Sharon Baskin's cousin); **Bonnie McKim**; **Brad Donaldson and family** (Ron & Karen Sprayberry's son-in-law); **Pete Lewis** (Joy Mullen's uncle); **Bridgett Sparks**; **Tim Mullen's sister, Kristy**; those affected by natural disasters across the country; peace in our country and around the world.



We are starting a  
  
brand new,  
once-a-month,  
everyone invited,  
breakfast provided,  
music playing,  
Bible reading,  
lesson learning,  
prayer sharing  
  
Sunday School!!

Join us for the next one  
**Sunday, October 4**  
9:15 am in Scoggins Hall !!

We will be hosting a  
**TRUNK OR TREAT**

on  
Sunday, October 25th  
at 5 pm

If you are interested in  
participating please let  
**Megan Gates** know!  
We are aiming for at least  
15 "Trunks" to  
give out candy and host a game!







NEW BOOK STUDY COMING IN OCTOBER!



Meeting on  
Wednesdays  
@ Noon  
Via Zoom

Please call or email the Church Office this week if you would like us to order a book for you. The cost of the book is \$13.50

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# WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

A photograph of a person standing on a hill, facing away from the camera with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. The background shows a sunset over a landscape with hills and some buildings in the distance. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow.

THURSDAYS - 10AM

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Join Us On Zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4388280904>  
Meeting ID: 438 828 0904

A circular logo with a stylized, colorful figure in the center. The text "We're a Matthew 25 church" is written around the figure, and the website "pcusa.org/matthew25" is at the bottom.

Come and make a joyful noise!

Wednesdays  
Choir 6:30  
Handbells 7:30

We would love to have you!

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

### Sunday, October 4

*World Communion Sunday*

*Peace & Global Witness Offering*

9:15 A.M. Church Wide SS, Scoggins

*Breakfast provided*

10:30 A.M. Worship Service

*Congregational Meeting after Service*

### Monday, October 5

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Scoggins

### Tuesday, October 6

12:00 Noon Al-Anon Meeting, Hoyt

### Wednesday, October 7

12:00 Noon Brown Bag & Bible, Zoom

5:00 P.M. Children's Program, SH

6:30 P.M. Choir Practice, Sanctuary

7:30 P.M. Handbells, Music Room

### Thursday, October 8

10:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting, Zoom

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Scoggins

8:00 P.M. Al-Anon Meeting, Hoyt

### Friday, October 9

6:00 P.M. Health Dept. Class, Hoyt

### Sunday, October 11

10:30 A.M. Worship Service

*Rev. James Oudom will be preaching*

### Monday, October 12

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Scoggins

### Tuesday, October 13

11:30 A.M. PW Bible Study, Scoggins

12:00 Noon Al-Anon Meeting, Hoyt

### Wednesday, October 14

12:00 Noon Brown Bag & Bible, Zoom

5:00 P.M. Children's program

6:30 P.M. Choir Practice, Sanctuary

7:30 P.M. Handbells, Music Room

### Thursday, October 5

10:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting, Zoom

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Scoggins

8:00 P.M. Al-Anon Meeting, Hoyt

### Sunday, October 18

10:30 A.M. Worship Service

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Mailee Nammachack
	Ken Pierce
6	Melissa Bannavong
11	Neile Chambers
	Kimberly Chosewood
12	Donita Robards
17	Megan Gates
19	Lauren Tatum
20	Shannon Campbell
23	Seth Coker



## ASSISTING TODAY

### **Opening & Clean Up:**

Scott Hulsey

### **Closing & Counting:**

Natalie Crawford  
Benjamin Padtha

### **Projection System:**

Cathy Webb

### **Sound System:**

Chad Chosewood

### **Audio-Video:**

Brad Chosewood

### **Nursery Attendant:**

Jacky Vespi

### **Flowers:**

Myrna Fouts