

# Service for the Lord's Day

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2017

11:00 AM

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*\*Please rise in spirit or body*

### THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with your spirit.**

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**PRELUDE**                    *Romedal (Lord Our God, with Praise We Come before You)*    Robert Buckley Farlee

**CHORAL INTROIT**                    *I Bind Myself unto Today*                    Hymn 6

**I bind myself unto today the strong name of the Trinity by invocation  
of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is great and greatly to be praised.

**We praise the great and awesome name of God.**

Our God is a lover of justice, who executes justice and righteousness.

**Holy is our God!**

**\*HYMN 4**                    *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*                    GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, our ruler and deliverer:  
You have loved us and put faith in us,  
We have forgotten your good works on our behalf  
and failed to trust your promises.  
Our world and our very lives show little evidence  
Of the justice and righteousness you love.  
We do not honor you with our lives.  
O Lord, be gracious, and show mercy to us.  
Lead us and sustain us by your presence,  
that we may know you and find favor in your sight.**

*Silent Confession*

**\*RESPONSE**

Psalm 143

Daniel E Gawthrop

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us thy

*molto rit.*  
peace, grant us thy peace.  
peace, grant us thy peace, grant us thy peace.  
peace, thy peace, peace.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Psalm 145:13-14

The Lord is faithful in all his words,  
and gracious in all his deeds.

**The Lord upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

I declare to you through the sacrifice of God's  
only son, we are forgiven.

**\*RESPONSE**

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the  
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -  
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,  
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

*Children from age 4 through first grade are invited to be escorted to “Kids’ Kirk,”  
an age-appropriate worship and learning opportunity, in Room 32 of the Education Building.*

## PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**                      Exodus 20:1–4                      Pew Bible, p. 66  
At Mount Sinai, the Lord gives the Ten Commandments to Moses.

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**                      Matthew 21:33–46                      Pew Bible, p. 24  
A parable about a vineyard, wicked tenants, and the owner’s son.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**    *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*                      Benjamin Harison

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus. His, the scepter, his the throne. Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood. Alleluia! Bread of heaven, thou on earth our food our stay! Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to thee from day to day: Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth’s redeemer, plead for me; where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea. Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes nor questions how; though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o’er, shall our hearts forget his promise: “I am with you evermore.”*

**SERMON**    “What Lies Ahead”                      Dr. Dan Donaldson

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**    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.**

**\*HYMN 25**    *O Lord, Our God, How Excellent* (Psalm 8)                      WINCHESTER OLD

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**    Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (*debt/debtors*)

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

*O Heiliger Geist (O Spirit of Life)*

Marilyn Biery

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We offer our gifts to you, Lord, with grateful hearts.  
Thanking you for meeting our needs on the journey,  
providing what we need when we need it.  
Trusting you, we can share what we have with others,  
and we do this joyfully, together, today, in Jesus' name. Amen.

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*HYMN 739

*O for a Closer Walk with God*

CAITHNESS

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Now Go in Joy*

Hymn 745

**Now go in joy to spread the word till all people have heard God  
embraces all! Follow then, the disciples call: tend your neighbors with  
loving care in daily work and prayer. God's own grace empower your  
spirit. Amen!**

\*POSTLUDE

*Vårvindar friska" (O Living Breath of God)*

Emma Lou Diemer

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## Worship Notes – Week of October 8, 2017

**We welcome all visitors to our worship today!** Thank you for choosing to be a part of our service. Please help us to know you better by providing your name and address in the Fellowship Register and by indicating whether you are visiting for the first time. Thank you very much!

**Children and Worship:** Our church nursery welcomes children from birth through age 3 during worship. It is located in the Education Wing of the church; please ask an usher to guide you there. For children from age 4 through 1st grade, we offer “Kids’ Kirk,” an age-appropriate worship and learning opportunity. Children are escorted from the worship service with their leaders to Room 32, where parents pick them up after worship.

**Music Notes:** Today’s anthem, “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus,” is a choral arrangement of Hymn #260. The arranger Benjamin Harrison was not our 23rd president and, in fact, nothing can be found about the arranger of this music. Even the publisher claims to have no information about him. The author of the text however is a different story. William Chatterton Dix (1827–1898) was born in Bristol, England. Dix’s contributions to modern hymnody are numerous and of value. His fine Epiphany hymn, “As with gladness men of old,” and his plaintive “Come unto Me, ye weary,” are examples of his compositions, many of which rank high among modern hymns. The greater part of his hymns were contributed to *Hymns Ancient & Modern*, 1861; *St. Raphael’s Hymnbook*, 1861; *Lyra Eucharidica*, 1863; *Lyra Messianica*, 1864; *Lyra Mystica*, 1865. Mr. Dix also wrote many Christmas and Easter carols, the most widely known of which is “The Manger Throne.” In addition to pieces in prose and verse for various magazines, he published two devotional works, *Light* and *The Risen Life* (1883) and a book of instructions for children, *The Pattern Life* (1885).

**Organist’s Footnotes:** Each Sunday in October we are exploring new compositions from the Augsburg Organ Library’s publication, *Reformation*, recently released for the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

The traditional Norwegian melody “Romedal” (Prelude) is named for a municipality in Norway. It has been associated with a text written by Peter Dass (1647–1707), Norwegian poet and priest. Robert Buckley Farlee (b. 1950) is Associate Pastor and Director of Music at Christ Church Lutheran, Minneapolis, and serves on the worship editorial staff of Augsburg Fortress Publishers.

“O Heiliger Geist” (Offertory) [O Holy Spirit] appears in the *Geistliche Keichengesänge*, Köln, published in 1623. It has been wed to the Pentecost text “O Spirit of Life,” harmonized by Johann Sebastian Bach. Marilyn Biery (b. 1959) is an organist, conductor, hymn writer, and freelance composer. She is married to James Biery (b. 1956) who is Minister of Music and Organist at Grosse Point Memorial Church in Grosse Point Farms, Michigan.

The Swedish folk tune “Vårvindar friska” (Postlude) has been associated with the Spanish-English text “Soplo de Dios viviente (Breath of the living God)” since the publication of the *The New Century Hymnal*, 1995. Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927) is Professor Emeritus at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and Organist Emeritus at First Presbyterian Church, Santa Barbara.

### Serving During Today’s Worship

#### Ushers

David & Candy Phelps  
Bill & Billie Whisnant

#### Music Participants

Pat Flannagan, Bob Greene  
Sanctuary Choir

#### Locking/Unlocking

Lee Galliher

#### Audio

Lee Galliher

## Birthday Prayer Fellowship

October 8	Patty King, Tom King, Bill Linderman, Reed Miller
October 9	Emmett Bane, Kathleen Dotterweich, Chris Winters
October 10	John Adams, Ian Addison, Laura Linke
October 11	Dot Mattison, Brandon Story
October 12	Mary Givens Crutchfield, Laura Ong, Bill Wade
October 13	Buddy Eller, Katie Sword
October 14	Ben Frizzell

## This Week at FPC

### Sunday, October 8

8:30 a.m. Worship, Fellowship Hall  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. Finance Committee, Room 123

### Monday, October 9

5:30 p.m. Adult Handbells  
7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds, Room 117  
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee, Room 123

### Tuesday, October 10

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 117  
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Group  
6:00 p.m. Venture Crew 3, Room 165  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 3

### Wednesday, October 11

6:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating Committee,  
Room 117  
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 12

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor  
8:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels, Kitchen  
12:00 p.m. Noon Bible Study, Room 117

## First Presbyterian Church Ministry Staff

Ministers	All the Members
Stated Supply/Temporary Head of Staff	Dr. David L. Welch
Supply Preacher	Dr. Dan Donaldson
Interim Director of Music	Dr. Pat Flannagan
Organist	Bob Greene
Director of Student Ministries	Katie Arnold
Director of Children's Ministries	Lilly Osborne
Church Business Administrator	Betsy Galliher
Facilities Manager	Larry Connolly
Editor	Kathy Acuff
Secretary/Receptionist	Diana Mattison
Food Services Coordinator	Scottie Bales
Nursery Coordinator	Debbie Pfeifer
Sexton	Becky Rose
Children's Special Needs Assistants	Vickie Coleman & Darrell Wilson

*Pastor Emeritus, Dr. Richard Ray*

