

*First Presbyterian Church*  
Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,  
We seek to know God's love and share it  
With each other, our community, and the world.  
We invite you to join us in this journey  
of discipleship!*

*Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor*

*June 14, 2020*

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.  
**And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether we stray like sheep or follow faithfully,  
**God welcomes us here.**

Whether we seek healing and wholeness, or stand ready to  
extend compassion,

**God welcomes us here.**

Whether exhausted from journeys across rough terrain,  
or renewed and refreshed, our souls at peace, we gather to hear  
the good news:

**The kingdom of heaven is at hand!**

\*HYMN #14 "For The Beauty of the Earth"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you send us to proclaim the good news of your  
kingdom to all who are lost, all who are afflicted,  
all who are captive, all who have been cast out.  
But we are content to proclaim the in-breaking of your  
kingdom within familiar communities where we know  
others will receive this news with nods of agreement.

Push us beyond what is comfortable and safe, and  
strengthen us for lives of compassionate service, that we  
might be the laborers you call us to be.

Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:1-16 (p. 913)

SPECIAL MUSIC "TBA"  
*Performed by David Seay*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

MUSIC INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:17-32 (p. 914)

Holy wisdom, holy word.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "My Longing"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN #625 "How Great Thou Art"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Confession of 1967 (9.32-33)*

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus  
Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission.  
His human life involves the church in the common life of  
all people.  
His service to men and women commits the church  
to work for every form of human well-being.  
His suffering makes the church sensitive**

to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ  
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.  
His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on  
the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the  
awful consequences of the church's own complicity in  
injustice.

In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming,  
the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human  
life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.  
The church follows this pattern in the form of its life  
and in the method of its action. So to live and serve  
is to confess Christ as Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #829 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE & POSTLUDE

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Kris Foust** is today's Liturgist.  
**Dianne York** is leading today's Children's Moment  
**Hannah Cruse** is Director of Music.  
**Dylan May** is Interim Accompanist.  
**Douglas Ferguson** is today's Audio-Visual Specialist.  
**\*Please stand if you are able.**

