

First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



January 29, 2017
10:45 a.m.

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Prelude

Just as I Am, Without One Plea
Tuba Tune in D Major

Dale Wood
C. S. Lang

Processional

Zach Blessant and Chris Gales

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness.

Leader: Come into God's presence with singing!

**People: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting;
and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

*The Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Children attending Children's Church will come forward with parents to be signed out and the children will be picked up at the end of service in room C217.)

*Hymn

Arise, Your Light is Come!

No. 411

First Reading

Micah 6:1-8

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Amen.**

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

Anthem

The Beatitudes

H.R. Evans

Terry McManis, Baritone

*Blessed art thou, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
For they shall be comforted, For they shall inherit the earth.
After righteousness: for they shall be filled.
For they shall obtain mercy. For they shall see God.
For they shall be called the children of God.*

*For righteousness' sake: for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, Blessed are ye when men shall persecute you
And shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake rejoice,
And be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven.*

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Character Matters ”
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Hymn

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

No. 372

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

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Call to Stewardship

Offertory

A Quiet Place
Gretchen Bixler , soprano

Arr. Rubio

*There is a quiet place, far from the rapid pace where God can soothe my troubled mind.
Sheltered by tree and flower there, in my quiet hour with Him, my cares are left behind.
Whether a garden small or on a mountain tall, new strength and courage there I find.
Then, from this quiet place, I go prepare to face a new day with love for all mankind.*

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

No. 276

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

Recessional

*Postlude

Chromatic Fugue

Johann Pachelbel

Worship Leaders

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