

# First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



October 22, 2017  
10:45 a.m.

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**20th Sunday after Pentecost**

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Prelude

*Come, O Thou Traveler*

“Candler”/arr. Wood

Processional

Bailey Bowles & Sierra Coldwater

Greetings

Minute for Stewardship

Tom Warner

\*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 99)

Leader: The Lord is king; let the people tremble.

**People: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

Leader: The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all.

**People: Let everyone praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he.**

Leader: Mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;

You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

**People: Extol the Lord our God; praise his holy name.**

**Holy is he.**

\*Prayer of the Day

Holy God, faithful to your promises, hide us in the cleft of the Rock; cover us with your hand when we are anxious, that we may be courageous to do your will, as your glory passes by to reveal your goodness to all generations who keep covenant with you. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky*

No. 463

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Litany of Confession

The Lord reigns!

**Majestic God, do we tremble in awe before you?**

[Silence]

The Lord reigns!

**Worthy God, have we raised your name in praise?**

[Silence]

The Lord reigns!

**Sovereign God, have we executed justice?**

[Silence]

The Lord reigns!

**We bow before you, holy God.**

**Forgive us.**

**Cleanse us.**

**Free us.**

**In the strong name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord said to Moses: There is a place near me where you may stand upon a rock. When my glory passes by, I'll put you in the cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Beloved, God has shielded us, and covered our sin, so much so, that it can be said that our lives are hidden in Christ, the Rock of our Salvation. **Amen.**

\*Song of Thanksgiving

*Gloria Patri*

No. 579

\*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

*(The children may come forward during the greeting.)*

Time with the Children

Bruce Cole

First Reading

Exodus 33:12-23

Anthem

*Jesus, Name of Wondrous Love*

Eugene Butler

Second Reading

1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 1:1-10

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Example to All ”  
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

\*Affirmation of Faith

(excerpt from Scots Confession)

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must**

**cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.**

\*Hymn                                      *God, You Spin the Whirling Planets*                                      No. 285  
Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer                                      P.H. Pg. 16  
Tom Warner

Call to Stewardship  
Offertory                                      *Homeward Bound*                                      arr. Martin Keen

Terry McManis, Baritone  
*In the quiet misty morning when the moon has gone to bed,  
When the sparrows stop their singing, and the sky is clear and red.  
When the summer's ceased its gleaming, when the corn is past its prime  
When adventure's lost its meaning, I'll be homeward bound in time.*  
  
Chorus: *Bind me not to the pasture: chain me not to the plow,  
Set me free to find my calling and I'll return to you somehow.*  
  
*If you find it's me you're missing, if you're hoping I'll return,  
To your thoughts I'll soon be listening in the road I'll stop and turn.  
Then the wind will set me racing as my journey nears its end,  
And the path I'll be retracing when I'm homeward bound again.* Chorus.

\*Doxology                                      No. 592  
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn                                      *God of Grace and God of Glory*                                      No. 420

\*Charge and Benediction  
Leader: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

\*Choral Response  
Recessional

\*Postlude                                      Postlude on *Dundee*                                      Scottish Psalter

\*signifies congregation standing (for those able)