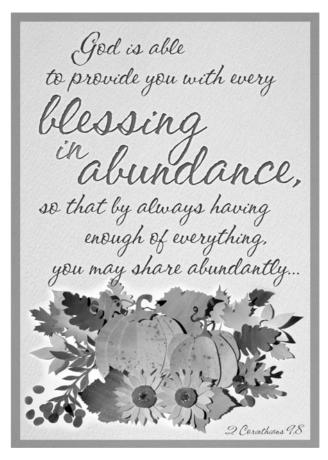
First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



October 23, 2016 10:45 a.m. October 23, 2016

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Hyfrydol

Raymond Haan

Entering with the Candles of Presence

Brandon Bowles & Aidan Schulte

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: By awesome deeds You answer us with deliverance,

God of our salvation;

People: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

Leader: By your strength you established the mountains;

You are girded with might.

People: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves,

the tumult of the peoples.

Leader: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;

People: You make the gateways of the morning and

the evening shout for joy.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day

Good and gracious God, You promise to pour out your spirit upon us; You are the hope of the world. Give us strength, that we might serve You; make us humble, that we might live for your glory alone. In the name of Jesus we pray.

Amen.

*Hymn

Come, Thou Almighty King

No. 139

Prayer of Confession

No words can express the depth of our need or reveal the extent of our sin. But You know us completely, O God. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, You forgive our transgressions. You rescue us from evil and clothe us with love. Humbly, we thank you; for no words can express our gratitude for the gift of your salvation. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Sisters and brothers, the news is so good we can scarcely believe it: God does not hold our sin against us but pours out abundant grace. Give thanks to God and by the spirit's power share the gospel far and near:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

Welcome to Our Newest Members

*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

First Reading Joel 2:23-32

Anthem

Alleluia! Sing To Jesus

Benjamin Harrison

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion 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!"

Second Reading Luke 18:9-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"An Example of False and True Piety" The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Hymn Lord Jesus, Think on Me No. 301

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

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Call to Stewardship Placing Cards in Joyous Chest Elders

Offertory 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Arr. By Lloyd Larson

Eric Lawrence, Bass

Bless the Lord, O my soul, worship his holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger. Your name is great and your heart is kind. For all your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come; Still my soul will sing your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forevermore!

*Doxology No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling No. 376

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

*Choral Response

Recessing with the Candles of Presence

*Postlude *Hyfrydol* Healey Willan

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

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Organist

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