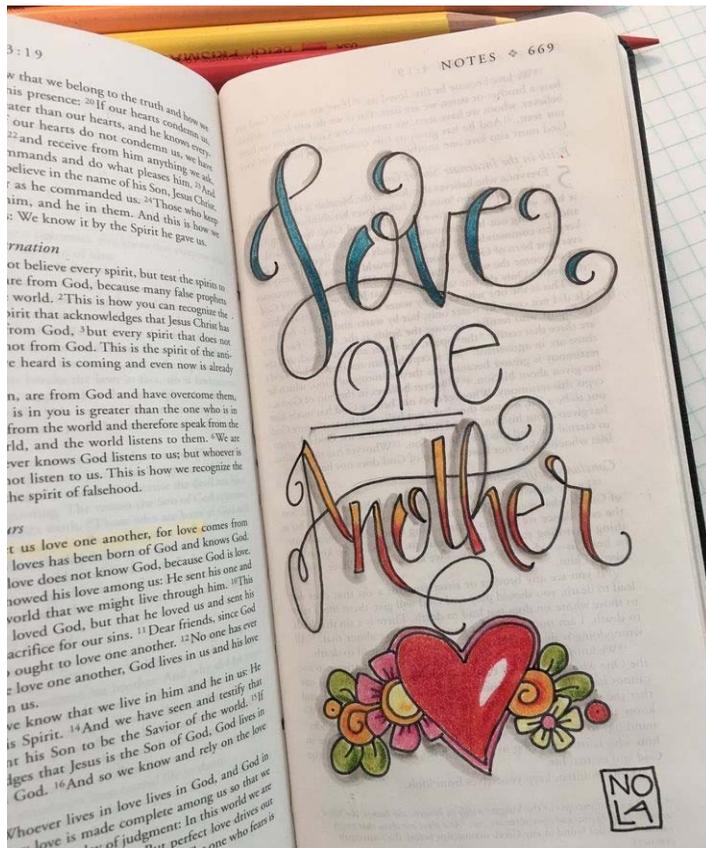


# First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



February 12, 2017  
10:45 a.m.

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**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Prelude

*Fantasie in C Major*

J. S. Bach

Processional

Owen Barker & Iain Cline

Greetings

Introit

*Love, Love, Love*

Hernandez/Powell

Children's Choir; Sarah Gutierrez, Director

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather as God's people:

**People: To seek direction in the living of our lives.**

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**People: To be still and hear what God would have us do.**

Leader: We gather as God's people:

**People: To be renewed, restored and recreated.**

Leader: We rejoice that we are God's people:

**All: To serve, to love and to sing God's praise.**

\*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

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

No. 466

Call to Confession

Knowing that we fall short of the righteousness to which Jesus calls us, let us  
come before God to lay bare our guilt that we might be forgiven and made whole.

Confession

**You have commanded us to be holy, yet holiness eludes us. You have  
commanded us to be patient, but we count down the minutes until  
tomorrow. You have commanded us to love, yet we are skeptical or  
suspicious of people. Are we lost, without hope, destined for failure?**

**By no means! Your grace is greater than our failings; your mercy covers the greatest sin. Only by your work on the cross, by surrendering ourselves to you, will we be able to love fully, to wait patiently, to be holy. We confess our deep need for you, our Savior. Make us more like you. Amen.**

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

The power of Christ's forgiveness sets us free from the anger and sin within us. Hear the good news and believe: Jesus Christ cleanses us from all unrighteousness and makes us a new creation. Thanks be to God!

\*Song of Thanksgiving

*Gloria Patri*

No. 579

First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Anthem

*Create In Me*

John Purifoy

*Create in me a clean heart O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me, I pray.  
Restore to me now the joy of salvation and hold me with Thy free-spirit.  
Create in me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within me.*

Second Reading

Matthew 5: 21-37

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Stretch Goals”  
Pastor Judy Conners

\*Hymn

*Forgive our Sins as We Forgive*

No. 347

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

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Call to Stewardship

Offertory

*The Perfect Wisdom of our God*

Getty / Townend,  
arr. by Mary McDonald

Eric Lawrence, Bass

*The perfect wisdom of our God, revealed in all the universe;  
All things created by His hand, and held together at His command.  
He knows the mysteries of the seas, the secrets of the stars are His;  
He guides the planets on their way, and turns the earth through another day.*

*Doxology		No. 592
*Prayer of Dedication		
*Hymn	<i>Lord, Make Us More Holy</i>	No. 536
*Charge and Benediction		
Leader:	The Lord be with you.	
<b>People:</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>	
*Choral Response		
Recessional		
*Postlude	<i>Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	David Cherwien

\*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor	Brent O. Johnston
Parish Associate	Judy Conners
Liturgist	Dick Wieland
Director of Music	Steve Bixler
Organist	Mark Sweeney