

First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



September 24, 2017
10:45 a.m.

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16th Sunday after Pentecost

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Prelude

Variations on *Holy Manna*

Raymond Haan

Processional

Brandon Bowles & Aidan Schulte

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord! The Lord hears the cries of the people.

People: Give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: The works of the Lord are great. Remember what God has done.

People: Give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: God has done miracles, and the Lord always remembers
God's covenant.

People: Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise are due to the Lord!

*Prayer of the Day

O God, who knows our every need before we can even ask, you provide all our needs and some of our wants. You bless us all. Make us truly thankful and empower us to bless others from the gifts you have given us, for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Hymn

Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

No. 425

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we have sought after things, but we have not sought after you. We have expected generosity, but we have not shown generosity.

Additionally, we have not been gracious or grateful from what we have received. To make matters worse, we have failed to remember all that you have done. Forgive us, O God, and fill us with genuine gratitude. Help us to share our gifts and strengthen our legs for the journey yet ahead. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

Recognition of Acolytes

Lilly-Ann Huffman

*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

Exodus 16:2-15

Anthem

Holy Manna

John Carter

Second Reading

Philippians 1:21-30

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Flesh Pots of Egypt verses Manna in the Wilderness"
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith

(Excerpt from Heidelberg Catechism)

Q. 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death--not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

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Teresa Lang

Call to Stewardship

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Fernando Ortega

Josh Holcomb, Tenor

Text can be found in the Presbyterian Hymnal-# 339

*Doxology		No. 592
*Prayer of Dedication		
*Hymn	<i>Lord, I Want to Be a Christian</i>	No. 372
*Charge and Benediction		
Leader:	The Lord be with you.	
People:	And also with you.	
*Choral Response		
Recessional		
*Postlude	<i>Fantasia</i>	Johann Pachelbel

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

"Come to the Table"

***First Presbyterian Church invites our home-bound members
To join their family of faith
As together we lift the cup of salvation at the Lord's Table.***

"Come to the Table" is a new ministry for those in our family of faith who are no longer able to drive, want to come to church, but have no one to take them. **"Come to the Table"** will be an integral part of the 10:45am sanctuary service on Communion Sunday, the first Sunday of every month, **beginning October 1**. If you know of someone who would like to share Communion with us but cannot drive themselves, please invite them to join you on October 1st.

If you would like to serve as an alternate/substitute driver to our home-bound members, please email Judy Conners at conners@firstchurchwichita.org. or leave a message requesting more information with the FPC office at 263-0248.

Worship Leaders

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