

First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas

September 30, 2018

19th Sunday After Pentecost

8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Prelude in G Major

Felix Mendelssohn

Processional

Bailey Bowles & Sierra Coldwater

Greetings

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**Recognition of Acolytes

Lilly-Ann Huffman

*Call to Worship

Leader: If it had not been for God, who was on our side we would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us; we would have been swept away by sadness and fear.

People: Blessed be the Lord, our protector!

Leader: God has broken the snare that took away our freedom. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

People: Blessed be Gods Holy name!

*Prayer of the Day

Come, O God, and be present with us today in your holy Word. Let it speak to us as we worship, as a living, judging, and uniting instrument of your glory. Give us a heart that waits upon you for guidance and direction. Amen.

*Hymn

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

No. 264

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity. We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like us, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject, to always be on the lookout for those things that make us different. Give us the eyes of our Teacher, who know unconditional love and compassion and sees us all as one, for it is in his name that we pray. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

*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

First Reading

Psalm 124

Anthem

Holy Lord of All

Frances Williams

*All the saints in heaven adore Thee, Holy Lord of all.
Sun and moon bow down before Thee, Heaven and earth before Thee fall.
Now the heavens resound with singing, now the earth brings back the call,
Glory to Thy name be given. Holy, holy Lord of all.*

Second Reading

Mark 9: 38-50

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Most Elite Club in the World”

Pastor Judy Connors

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

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Call to Stewardship

Offertory

For the Lord Will Lead

Felix Mendelssohn

Gretchen Bixler, soprano

For the Lord will lead all the lost in the right;

God teaches the humble and godly way.

All who fear you, mighty God,

You shall instruct and show them the righteous path,

And they shall dwell in steadfast love and goodness.

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

No. 452

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Recessional

*Postlude

Andante Marziale

Everett Titcomb

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**signifies 10:45 Service Only

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor

Brent O. Johnston

Parish Associate

Judy Conners

Director of Music

Steve Bixler

Organist

Mark Sweeney