

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 26, 2020 – 9:30 a.m. – Live Stream
8th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Chorale

Joseph Jongen

Greetings

Call to Worship Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.

People: Let us worship God.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, protector of all who put their trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Fill us with your mercy and your grace, that, with you to rule and guide, we may so use the good things of this present life that we do not neglect those of eternal worth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Hymn

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

No. 145

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silence

Organ Response

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5-12

Kids Connection (pre-recorded)

Geri Doll

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-39

Sermon	<i>"Wisdom to Govern"</i> Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston	
Special Music	<i>How Great Thou Art</i> Jesse Warkentin, Piano	arr. Kartsonakis
Testimony		J.D. Page
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Call to Stewardship		
Offertory Anthem	<i>Bright and Beautiful</i> (A Children's Suite) <i>Praise Him, All Ye Little Children; All Things Bright and Beautiful; Jesus Loves Me</i> Gretchen Bixler, Soprano; Jesse Warkentin, Piano	arr. Mark Hayes
Doxology		No. 592
Prayer of Dedication		
Hymn	<i>In Christ There is No East or West</i> (Vs.1 – 4)	No. 439
Charge and Benediction	Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.	
Postlude	<i>Majestic Postlude</i>	Mark Williams

Worship Leaders

Pastor	Brent O. Johnston
Liturgist	Dave Fulton
Director of Music	Steve Bixler
Organist	Mark Sweeney