

\*\*POSTLUDE

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Wesley



First  
Presbyterian  
Church

*Vibrant Worship,  
Vibrant Discipleship,  
Vibrant Service*

January 22, 2023 ~ 8:00 a.m.  
Worship Service Theme:  
**“Disciples: The Rock”**  
*Green: Symbolizes Growth*

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PASTOR: Rev. Bob Thomson  
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Wendy Dryden ORGANIST: Eleanor Lane  
CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Ashley Braisted

\*\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

PRELUDE “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” Amer. Folk Melody

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS and PASSING of the PEACE

***GATHERING AROUND the WORD of GOD***

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: The earth is the LORD’s and all that is in it.

**People: The world, and those who live in it;**

Leader: For God has founded it on the seas,

**People: God has established it on the rivers.**

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

**People: And who shall stand in his holy place?**

Leader: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts. Let us pray...

PRAYER OF PRAISE - Unison

**Our Father, you are in heaven, high and lifted up, higher than our highest thoughts. Holy is your name; beside you there is no other! You are God, and you alone! Receive us into your kingdom - the coming kingdom - the kingdom of your anointed Son, Jesus, whose name we bear. Receive us, for we come to you in his name - we pray in him and with him. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

\*\*HYMN of PRAISE #481

“Praise the Lord, God’s Glories Show”



**Church Mission Statement**

As followers of Jesus Christ, under the authority of the Bible, our mission is:  
~ Glorifying and worshipping God  
~ Baptizing and strengthening disciples  
~ Loving and serving all people



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**\*\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hurtful ways. We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together, let us confess our sin.

**\*\*PRAYER of CONFESSION (UNISON)**

**Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconsistent, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ, our Lord.** (Time of Silent Personal Confession) Amen.

**\*\*ASSURANCE of PARDON**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

**\*\*GLORIA PATRI #579**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

***LISTENING for the WORD of GOD***

**PRAYER for ILLUMINATION (Unison)**

**O Lord, you have given us your Word for a light to shine upon our path. Help us to meditate on that Word, and to follow its teaching that we may find in it your light that shines more and more until the perfect day. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Psalm 89:20-29 (pg. 475)

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**NEW TESTAMENT**

John 1:35-42 (pg. 862)

**INTERPRETATION of the WORD**

“Disciples: The Rock”

*Rev. Bob Thomson*

***RESPONDING to the WORD of GOD***

**\*\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #369 “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”**

**\*\*CONFESSION of FAITH Apostles’ Creed - Traditional Version**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and the LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**GIVING OF OURSELVES to GOD:**

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly; the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Responding to God's bountiful gifts to us in Christ, we have opportunity to share out of our abundance.

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**OFFERTORY**

**\*\*DOXOLOGY #592**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*\*PRAYER of DEDICATION (UNISON)**

**O God of all bounty, from your hand we have freely received. Accept these offerings of your people as expressions of our thanks. Lovingly remember those who have given, enrich the lives of those for whom these gifts are intended, and use these gifts to promote goodwill and to bring your kingdom, for the sake of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*\*HYMN of SENDING #434 “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”**

**\*\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**