

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR OCT. 27, 2024

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INTROIT 372 *O for a World (vrs.1,4,&5)* AZMON

Gathering Around The Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Ps. 34:1-3*

One: I will bless the Lord at all times,
All: **God's praise will continually be in my mouth.**

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
All: **let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: O magnify the Lord with me,
All: **let us exalt God's name together!**

*HYMN 401 *Here in This Place* GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)
Holy God,
you know us better than we know ourselves.
You see our need when we are blind to it.
You have made us to be yours.
In your compassion,
forgive us for our lack of faith
and the harm we do to others and to your earth.
Forgive us for turning away from your will,
for ignoring the cries of our neighbors,
for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even for ourselves.
Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours.
Hear this and answer,
in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *from Ps. 34:6*

People of God, the Lord hears, forgives, and saves. Therefore, be reconciled to one another and walk humbly before God.

*PASSING THE PEACE
We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 581 GLORIA PATRI

**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.**

**for portions marked with an asterisk, you're invited to rise in body or spirit*

Listening To the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING JEREMIAH 31:7-9
(The scripture readings can be found on the back of the bulletin)

ANTHEM 838 *Standing on the Promises* PROMISES

SECOND READING MARK 10:46-52

SERMON "With Weeping - With Consolation" Rev. David Holden

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 87 *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* GENEVAN 42

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH IONIAN CREED

**We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth,
of male and female.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.**

**A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief,
he died alone and forsaken.**

He descended into the earth to the place of death.

On the third day he rose from the tomb.

**He ascended into heaven,
to be everywhere present throughout all ages,
and His kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of all resurrection and of eternal life.**

Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS *See prayer concerns list, back page*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER *page 35 in hymnal*

GIVING BACK TO GOD'S KINGDOM

OFFERTORY

TEN CENTS A MEAL OFFERING
(Any donation placed in the baskets today will go toward feeding those in need)

*THE DOXOLOGY 606
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God Sends Us Forth

*HYMN 275 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*BLESSING

HYMN 542 *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* vrs.1 GOD BE WITH YOU

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us about yourself! You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form, or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.



This Week

Wed., Oct. 30 @ 6:30pm - Choir practice
Fri., Nov. 1 @ 7:30am - Men's Breakfast @ Bob Evan's Restaurant
Sun., Nov. 3 @ 2:00am - Daylight Saving Time Ends

Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist.....Zack Vaught
Ushers.....Mary Jones & Carol Wade
Audio.....Paul Guffey
Video.....Sue Guffey
Coffee Plus.....Laura Wright

First Reading—Jeremiah 31:7-9

7 For thus says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”

8 See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor together;
a great company, they shall return here.

9 With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back;
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path where they shall not stumble,
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Second Reading—Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵²Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

The family of Pat Green; The family of Alan Trimble; Baby S;
Ed & Joyce Mick; Autumn Brock’s mom, Marie; Jennifer
Williams; Bill House; Leslie Phillips

Current Giving

	Rec’d month of Sept.	Needed Monthly	Received YTD	Needed YTD
Pledged Offering	\$12,645	\$11,985	\$121,879	\$107,868
Non- Pledged	\$7,094	\$3,289	\$46,111	\$29,597

Blessing Box Attendant

This Week.....John & Lynn Cain
Next Week.....Jenny Gilmore

Assisting In Worship Today

Ministers.....Every Member
Liturgist.....Paula Burlew
Ushers.....Jimmy & Jo Salmon
Audio.....Mary Beth Waller
Video.....Jon Burlew
Coffee Plus.....Cindy Fountain
Director of Music.....Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ.....Debby McDonald
Pastor.....Rev. David Holden

Deacons:

Linda Cook	Sue Guffey	Don Haney
Nancy Holland	Marshall Judy	Marci Randall

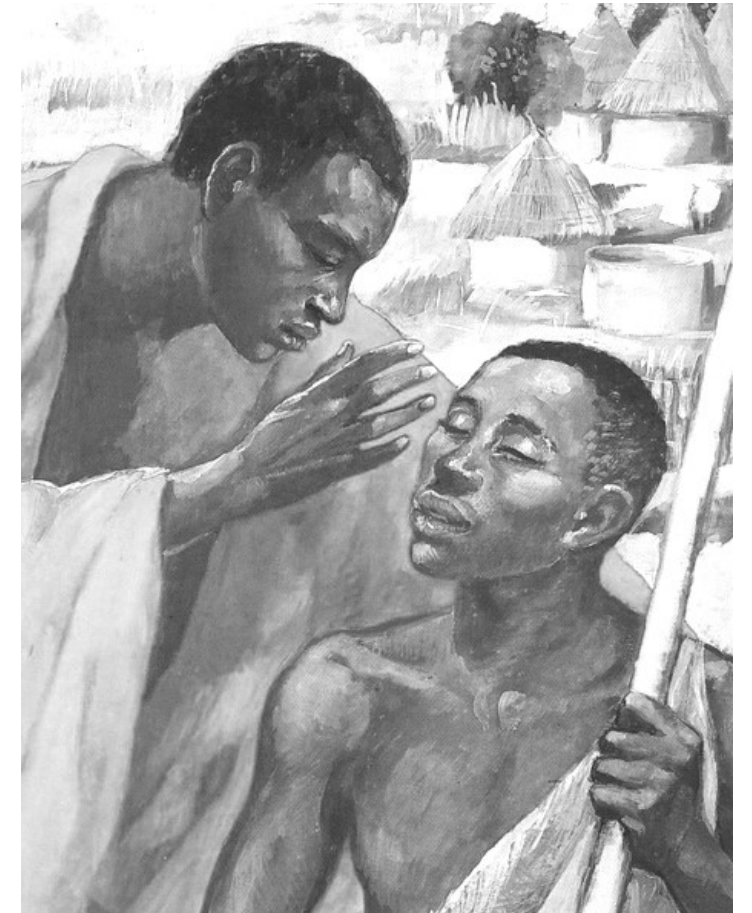
Elders:

<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>
Charles Leveridge	Sharon Mandt	Jo Salmon
Zack Vaught	Perry Waller	Laura Wright

First Presbyterian Church

October 27th, 2024

The Twenty-Third Sunday
after Pentecost



JESUS MAFA. Jesus Cures the Man Born Blind, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=57527> [retrieved October 21, 2024]. Original source: <http://www.librairie-emmanuel.fr> (contact page: <https://www.librairie-emmanuel.fr/contact>).

People of God, Welcome Home!

May Christ’s peace and presence fill your heart
as you worship this day, and may you go forth
with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any
electronic devices be placed on silent
so that all may hear what God has to say.