

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR OCT. 15, 2023

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

INTROIT 744 *Arise, Your Light Is Come! (vrs.1,3,4)* FESTAL SONG

## Gathering Around The Word

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The God who has searched us and knows us, who is acquainted with all our ways, that God calls us each by name.

All: **Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!**

One: The God who liberated slaves from Egypt, the Lord of the Sabbath who bids us rest, that empowers us to make Jesus' life visible in our very bodies.

All: **Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!**

One: Let us sing aloud to God, our strength, and shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

\*HYMN 409 *God Is Here!* ABBOT'S LEIGH

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. In Christ name, we pray. Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The God of peace, who calls all creation to live in unity, hears your plea. In the spirit of feasting and thanksgiving, in the mercy of Almighty God, you are forgiven! For the sake of Christ Jesus, our Savior, who died and rose from the dead to destroy the shroud of despair, rejoice!

All: **Glory to God!**

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

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

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

### \*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.

## Listening To the Word

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING DEUTERONOMY 5:12-15  
*(The scripture readings can be found on the side panel of the bulletin)*

ANTHEM 410 *God Is Calling through the Whisper* W ZLOBIE LEZY

SECOND READING 1 SAMUEL 3:1-20

SERMON "Somerset, Somerset" Rev. Darryl Baker

## Responding to the Word

\*HYMN 722 *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak* CANONBURY

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

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; on 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 life everlasting. 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

*Because God has given you a great banquet, let your thanksgiving overflow with joyous giving for the sake of others.*

## OFFERTORY

### \*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 726 *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE

### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

### \*BLESSING

HYMN 726 *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE

## POSTLUDE

### Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us a little about yourself! You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form. We would love to get to know you better!



### This Week

TODAY! @ 12:30pm - Congregation Listening Session & Pizza!  
TODAY! @ 3:00pm - Finance Committee Meeting  
TODAY! @ 4:00pm - Interracial Dialogue  
Wed., Oct. 18 @ 5:30pm - BBQ Fellowship Meal  
Wed., Oct. 18 @ 6:30pm - Congregation Listening Session  
Wed., Oct. 18 @ 6:30pm - Choir Practice  
Thur., Oct. 19 @ 12:00pm - Congregation Listening Session  
Thur., Oct. 19 @ 4:00pm - Deacon Meeting  
Thur., Oct. 19 @ 5:45pm - Centering Prayer  
Thur., Oct. 19 @ 6:00pm - Session Meeting  
Fri., Oct. 20 @ 11:30am - Lunch Ladies @ The Chalet

### Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist.....Marshall Judy  
Ushers.....Jo & Jimmy Salmon  
Audio.....Josh Jones  
Video.....Jon Burlew  
Coffee Plus.....Linda Bonardel

**First Reading—Deuteronomy 5:12-15**

<sup>12</sup>“Observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

**Second Reading—1 Samuel 3:1-20**

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. <sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord called, “Samuel!” and he said, “Here I am!” <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup>The Lord called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup>Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.” <sup>11</sup>Then the Lord said to Samuel, “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever.” <sup>15</sup>Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” He said, “Here I am.” <sup>17</sup>Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, “It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.” <sup>19</sup>As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup>And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

*Scripture verses taken from the New Revised Standard Updated Edition*



**Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing**

Carol Prater’s brother, Ken Osborne; Lynn Cain; Rogelio Castillo; David Bosh; Don Haney; Pauline & Bill House’s son, Jack Wood; Autumn Brock’s mom, Marie; Jennifer Williams; Rebecca Davis; Richard Wright’s sister, Peggy; Glenda Wilson; Pat Carpenter; Bill House; Ed & Joyce Mick; Leslie Phillips

**Current Giving**

	Rec’d month of Sept.	Needed Monthly	Received YTD	Needed YTD
<b>Pledged Offering</b>	\$9,239	\$13,934	\$114,827	\$125,404
<b>Non-Pledged</b>	\$3,167	\$3,154	\$37,976	\$28,389

**Blessing Box Attendant**

**This Week**.....Christie Adams  
**Next Week**.....Bill & Cindy Fountain

**Assisting In Worship Today**

**Ministers**.....Every Member  
**Liturgist**.....Mary Beth Waller  
**Ushers**.....Erin Stephens & Marty Whitson  
**Audio**.....Josh Jones  
**Video**.....Jon Burlew  
**Coffee Plus**.....Sue Guffey  
**Director of Music**.....Theresa Jean Kibby  
**Piano & Organ**.....Debby McDonald  
**Preacher**.....Rev. Darryl Baker

**Deacons:**

Paula Burlew	Eileen Stockham	Carol Prater
Cindy Fountain	Mary Beth Waller	

**Elders:**

<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>
Forrest Brock	Charles Leveridge	
Kimberly King	Zack Vaught	Sharon Mandt
Chris Phillips	John Wright	Perry Waller

All Rights Reserved – Copyrighted reprints are made under OneLicense.net A-719430

**First Presbyterian Church**

October 15th, 2023

**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**



Vintage drawing or engraving of biblical story of prophet Samuel anointed David as the future king, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=55980> [retrieved October 12, 2023].

**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.