

Order of Worship, May 22, 2016

Prelude “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” arr. Raney

Welcome and Opening Prayer - Rev Matt Schultz

Introit

Hymn - 403 - When in Our Music God Is Glorified

Time for Reconciliation Sarah Laughlin, Butler, PA

Leader: We bless you, Holy God, with everything we have. We bless your holy name.

People: You are the God who forgives us, redeems us, heals us. You are merciful and gracious, slow to anger and full of love. As far as the east is from the west, so far do you remove sin from us.

Leader: Sins for which we can't forgive ourselves, sins for which others cannot forgive us.

People: Forgive us, Lord, and show us how to forgive.

Leader: Free us from the things that get in the way—of our relationship with others, with ourselves, and with you. Cast out our sin and enter into our lives, that we might be your people grounded in love, grace, humility, and peace.

Unison: Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance Sarah Laughlin

We have taken time to admit some things that we want or need to change— a mistake, some guilt, a lie, the brokenness of it all. Something somehow has made us feel distant from God. But in Jesus Christ, we can be assured: We are not distant. We have been heard. We are loved. And we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

Response Gloria Patri #805

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.

Passing of the peace Jamie Linderman

L: Through his death, Jesus demolished all the things that divide us, the walls we put up to keep others out— walls of hatred, walls of fear, walls of pride. In his resurrection, he proclaimed peace—peace to those both near and far, friends, enemies, neighbors and rivals. Through him, God dwells among us, and we live into his peace. May the peace of Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you.

L: Please take a moment and share the Peace of Christ with one another.

Anthem 1 “To God All Praise and Glory” Martin

Children’s Choir

“The Butterfly Song” Brian Howard

“Praise the Name of Jesus” Psalm 2

Kids Time Paige Baierl, Erie, PA

Anthem 2 “Beautiful in His Time” Forrest

Paul Lindemuth, cello; Corinne McVee, flute

Prayer of Illumination Becky Arturo, Butler, PA

L: We fail to see the needs of those surrounding us. In fact, we fail to see when you stand right before us.

P: Open our eyes, Lord,

L: so we may catch a glimpse of your walking in our midst: in the halls of First Presbyterian Church, on the streets of Anchorage, as we gaze to the mountains. We fail to listen when you call. Be it through your Word or through someone standing right next to us.

P: Open our ears, Lord,

L: so we can hear what you have to say: during worship, through prayer, as we travel, during conversations with friends and families.

Unison: By your Spirit, through your Word, Help us to see and hear and know that we are loved. Amen.

Scripture: DT 5:1-7 (p 177) - Read by Danny Owoc

Special Music "Blessing" Sydney Barger

Scripture: I Cor 10:31-33 (p 1135) Read by Amanda Muraca

Sermon - "Life Lessons" Rev. Jim Mohr

Hymn 295 – Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Moment for Mission – Cory Hughes

Call for the Offering Caity Kourakos

Offertory "Trio No. 3" Andante

Response: Doxology

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

Prayer of Dedication Georgia Kourakos

Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer (using debts/debtors)

Hymn - 840 – God Be with You

Charge & Benediction Jim Mohr

Postlude

First Presbyterian Church welcomes you to worship!

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