



First Presbyterian Church

OF LAKE FOREST

*sending well-equipped disciples of Jesus into the world—
compassionate, generous, resilient and wise*

OCTOBER 10, 2021

SEASON OF PENTECOST

PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Almighty God, we pray for your blessing
on the church in this place.*

*Here may the faithful find salvation,
and the careless be awakened.*

*Here may the doubting find faith,
and the anxious be encouraged.*

*Here may the tempted find help,
and the sorrowful comfort.*

*Here may the weary find rest,
and the strong be renewed.*

*Here may the aged find consolation
and the young be inspired;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

PRELUDE

Resounding Rings of Praise
Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Barbara B. Kinyon, 1992
arr. Hart Morris, 2004

THE WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

Jubilate Deo

Jacques Berthier, 1978
(text Psalm 100)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands. Serve the Lord with gladness. Alleluia.

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

People: Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

Leader: Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

*** HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 409**

God is Here!

Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

Romans 3:23-24

Leader: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

People: Have mercy on us.

(A time for silence.)

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed, and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

*** SONG INVOCATION, No. 820**

Nothing Can Trouble

Tune: NADA TE TUR

Nothing can trou-ble; noth-ing can fright-en. Those who seek God shall nev-er go want-ing.
Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te. Quien a Dios tie - ne na - da le fal - ta.

Noth-ing can trou - ble; noth-ing can fright - en. God a - lone fills us.
Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te. So - lo Dios bas - ta.

TEXT: Attr. Teresa of Avila, 16th cent.; para. Taizé Community, Spanish 1986, English 1995
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1986
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*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God.

*** GLORIA PATRI, No. 581**

***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.***

* Please stand if you are able.

* **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

— **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** —

Receiving the sacrament of baptism are
Thomas Sanford Carton, child of Field (Osler) and Sandy Carton;
Molly Pippitt Langworthy, child of Brittany (Hall) and Sam Langworthy;
Gianni Marco Priola, child of Allie and Nicholas Priola

Congregational Question

Leader: Friends, do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture these children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Jesus, and to be faithful members of his church?

People: We do.

The Baptism

The Charge

The Welcome

**People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church.
We are all members of the household of God and family through
Jesus Christ.**

SUNG RESPONSE, No. 188 (stanza 1)

Jesus Loves Me!

Tune: JESUS LOVES ME

*Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong.
They are weak, but He is strong.*

Refrain

*Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 42:1-4

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to Christ.

SERMON

"The Priesthood of Jesus"

Rev. Clinton G. Roberts

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

"Lord, Whose Love through in Humble Service"

BEACH SPRING, arr. David Cherwien, 2004

Text: Albert F. Bayly (1901-1984)

Lord, whose love through in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed, we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart, consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness, dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

* DOXOLOGY

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our redeemer,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

*** HYMN OF SENDING, No. 436**

God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

Tune: O QUANTA QUALIA

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Humble Service

BEACH SPRING, arr. Tropp

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

*** POSTLUDE**

O, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. David R. Cherwien, 2004

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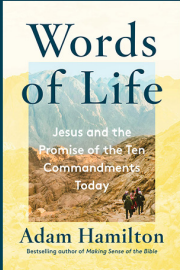



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Pastor Clint's day off is on Monday. Pastor Kristie's day off is on Friday.

Worship Participants

The Reverend Clinton G. Roberts, Senior Pastor
The Reverend Kristie W. Finley, Associate Pastor
Sarah Seccombe, Director of Children's Faith Formation
Dr. Tom Tropp, Director of Music and Arts
Dr. Barry Wenger, Director of Bell Choirs and Organist
Elyse Bagan
Koen Brown, Liturgist
Lakeminster Ringers
Sanctuary Choir
Rick Day, AV Support and Production Leader
Alex McDowell, AV Support
Aaron Helms, AV Support




explorations of faith
PRESENTS
The Contemporary Relevance
of the Ten Commandments
Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:15 PM
in the Great Room or Zoom

**Words
of Life**
Jesus and the
Promise of the Ten
Commandments
Today
Adam Hamilton
Bestselling author of *Healing Sense of the Bible*



**Trunk
or
Treat**
Saturday, October 30 4:00 - 5:30 PM



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