

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2014

10:00 a.m.

* Silent Confession
* Assurance of Pardon
* Passing of the Peace
* Gloria Patri (581)
Special Music

“The House of the Lord”
Chapel Choir

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ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Hymn: Hymn 336, verses 1-2
Concerns of the Church

Prelude “Minuette” Boellmann

Call to Worship

Come, the Lord has prepared a feast for us!

The Lord has provided many good things for our benefit.

The Lord has opened the door and is ready to greet us!

Come, let us enter into the house of the Lord.

Let us greet our Lord with praise and singing!

For the Lord of all creation is wonderful.

Let us worship the Lord!

* Hymn 69 “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Mighty and Loving God,

We have gathered at your call, bringing with us the hurts and brokenness of our lives. We admit that we are too often consumed with the worries and concerns of the day, which prevents us from noticing your presence in the here and now. When we fail to see your face in the people you send our way, when we harden our hearts to protect ourselves, and when we allow ourselves to become complacent in the face of challenges, have compassion on us, Lord, for we are frail and prone to believing we are on our own. Help us to see the goodness you have provided in the past and are planning for the future. Help us to make haste to follow you wherever you lead. Amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Jeremiah 18:1-11 (OT, p. 720)

Psalter: Psalm 1 (OT, p. 489)

A Time with Children

Anthem “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” arr. Johnson
Our young children are invited to attend “Joyful Noise” in room 103.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 14:12-24 (NT, p. 77)

Sermon: “The Best Party Ever”

Ms. Lorrie Loughney

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 372 “O for a World”
* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Minute for Organ Donation Sabbath

Offering

Offertory

“Petite Prelude”

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* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 367 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”
Joyful Noise! participants will return to the sanctuary.

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

“Appassionato”
John Weiss, cello

Saint-Saens

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God

- in loving memory of Anna Marsh by her family, and
- in honor of her sister, Marjorie, on the occasion of her birthday, by Janet Stansbury.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Preacher	Lorrie Loughney
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Director of Music	Susan Kelly
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Diane Scheuer
<i>Joyful Noise</i> leaders	Bill Farrell and Char
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Ushers	Debbie Traettino and Betty Keen
Welcomers	Jane and Dick Maurer



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Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it.

Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Psalms 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Luke 14:12-24

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, "Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" Then Jesus said to him, "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.' But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.' So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled,

the blind, and the lame.' And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.'" Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.'"