

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2015

10:00 a.m.

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music (9:45)
Concerns of the Church
Prelude

“Ivory Palaces”

Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Sing with joy, all the earth!

Come into God's presence with singing.

* Hymn 305 “Come Sing, O Church, With Joy”
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God,

in your presence we confess

our failure to be what you created us to be.

You alone know how often we have sinned

in wandering from your ways,

in wasting your gifts,

in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, forgive our sin,

and help us to live in your light and abide in your ways,

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response: “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!” (591)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22 (NT, p. 192)

Psalter: Psalm 89:20-37 (Hymnal 67)

A Time with Children

Special Music

“The Compassion Hymn”

K. Getty

Gospel Lesson: John 6:1-14 (NT, p. 97)

Sermon

Margo Tomlinson

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 498 “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

“Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”

* Doxology (Hymnal 606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 761 “Called as Partners in Christ's Service”

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

“March”

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning are given by Nancy and Paul Ford to the Glory of God and with gratitude for our families.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Preacher	Margo Tomlinson
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Pianist	Beverly Bright
Liturgist	Nancy Post
Special Music	Rebekah and Nicole Bailey
Welcomers	Alice and Dick Broxton
Ushers	Ginny O'Brien, Wayne Griffiths



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*"Here is a boy with
five small barley
loaves and two
small
fish,
but
how
far
will they
go among so many?"
John 6:9*



Ephesians 2:11-22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

John 6:1-14

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”