First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 29, 2017

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr.

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Call to Worship

We gather as the people of God, united through God's mercy.

We gather as one people, to worship and praise our God.

We gather as those who have been blessed by God's love.

We gather as those who will be sent out to bless God's world.

* Hymn 401 "Here In This Place"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession Psalm 15:2-4

God, we have not done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love.

We do not keep your word,

and when we participate in gossip,

our words and deeds cause pain.

Forgive us by the power of your mercy,

that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of his love. Amen.

* Silent Confession

* Response 583 "Glory to God"

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory in the highest! Glory to God! Glory to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12 (NT p. 4)

Psalter: Psalm 15 (Hymnal 419)

A Time with Children

10:00 a.m.

Anthem "Offertory" Beck

Second Lesson: Micah 6:1-8 (OT p. 866)

Sermon: "If The Offering is Not Enough" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 70 "What Does the Lord Require of You?"

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "Ar Hyd y Nos"

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arr. Young

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* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 172 "Blest Are They"

* Charge and Benediction

* Congregational Amen (Hymnal 601)

* Postlude "Trumpet Tune"

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given by Char Lyon to the glory of God and for the joy of my family and friends who make my life bright.

^{*} Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

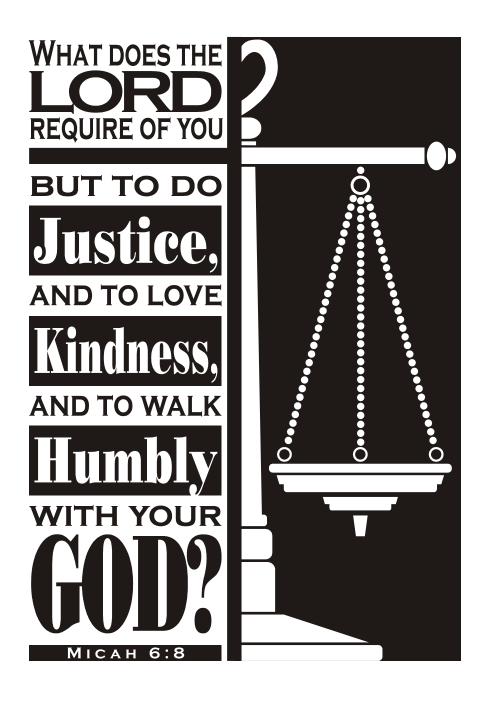
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Rev. William G. Carter
Director of Music Frank Jones
Coordinator of Children and Youth Jana Schillinger
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist Meg Hatch
Ushers Gwynne Gilbert, Greg Matthews
Welcomers Char and Fred Lyon



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Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?