

# First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Interim Pastor

15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Preservice Music

Boyd Thomas

Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**Response: And also with you.**

Announcements

Choral Anthem: *Hear Me Singing, Lord*

arr. E. Lojeski

Opening Prayer

\*Praise Medley

Insert

Prayer of Confession:

If your wealth increases, don't make it the center of your life.  
(*Psalm 62:10 NLT*)

Those who trust in their riches will fall like dead leaves,  
but good people will blossom. (*Proverbs 11:28 ERV*)

A sterling reputation is better than striking it rich; a gracious  
spirit is better than money in the bank. (*Proverbs 22:1 MSG*)

Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless  
to think that wealth brings true happiness! (*Ecclesiastes 5:10 NLT*)

Here is a misfortune on earth that I have seen: Wealth hoarded by  
its owner to his own misery. (*Ecclesiastes 5:13 NET*)

But if it's only money people are after, they'll self-destruct in no  
time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going  
down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and  
live to regret it bitterly ever after. (*1 Timothy 6:10 MSG*)

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content  
with what you have; for God has said, 'I will never leave you  
or forsake you.' (*Hebrews 13:5 NRSVA*)

No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one  
and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the  
other. You cannot serve God and money. (*Luke 16:13 ESV*)

**Kyrie: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy**

Assurance of Pardon:

Friends, hear and believe the good news

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen. Alleluia!**

\*Gloria Patri (*Avery & Marsh*):

**Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world**

**without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning is now and ever**  
**shall be world without end.**

**Amen. A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A---men. Amen!**

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Time with Young Disciples

Prayer for Illumination

Barb Kramer

Scripture Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Pg. 769, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 113

Pg. 510, Pew Bible

Sermon Text: Luke 16:1-13

Pg. 875, Pew Bible

Sermon: *The Spiritual Attitude Toward Money*

\*Hymn: *Jesus Calls Us*

No. 592

\*Affirmation of Faith: **We believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son  
our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the  
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He  
rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth  
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He  
shall come to judge the quick and the dead. We believe in the  
Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life  
everlasting. Amen. -- The Apostles' Creed**

INTERCESSIONS / PRAYER CONCERNS:

Suzannah Holsworth, Geri Anderson, Joy Palzewic, Phil Peterson,  
Jon LaCourt, Holly Werner, Mary Rushford, Scott Doda,  
Kathy Eavenson, Chris Hanley, Bonnie Hyde, Anne Starr;  
the family of Jean Thekan; the PNC; missionaries, Sam and Cayla

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.**

The Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye  
heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn: *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated*

No. 597, vs. 1, 4, 5

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Response: *Take My Life...*

v. 6

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

**CHURCH NOTES**

**Monday:** 5:00p.m. Soup Kitchen (*drive-thru only*)  
**Tuesday:** 1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry  
**Wednesday:** 10:00a.m. Reflections with Pastor Bob  
3:30p.m. Young Disciples 4-yrs. - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
5:00p.m. Young Disciples 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades  
6:30p.m. Adult Choir  
**Thursday:** 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That  
*No The Chosen Study*  
**Next Sunday:** 8:45a.m. Sunday Conversations  
**10:30a.m. Breakfast Celebration**

**Flowers are given by the family of Jean Thekan** who died this  
past Wednesday, the 17<sup>th</sup>, which would have been her 76<sup>th</sup> wedding  
anniversary (Joe preceded her in death in 2023).

**Ushers:** Joe and Lulu Floriano; Bill and Laura Stanek

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**BREAKFAST CELEBRATION**

**IN HONOR OF PASTOR BOB**

**Next Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>  
10:30a.m. in Fellowship Hall**

**Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, marks  
50 Years**

**since Pastor Bob was ordained.  
(Yes, it's the exact same date!)**

**Everyone is invited to come and celebrate  
Pastor Bob's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination.**

**A breakfast in his honor will be served in  
Fellowship Hall following worship next Sunday.**

## YOU ARE HOLY (PRINCE OF PEACE)

Marc Imboden and Tammi Rhoton CCLI Song #2332149 © 1994 Imboden Music; Martha Jo Publishing

### Men

You are holy,  
You are mighty,  
You are worthy,  
Worthy of praise,  
I will follow,  
I will listen,  
I will love You,  
All of my days,

### Women (echo)

(You are holy)  
(You are mighty)  
(You are worthy)  
(Worthy of praise)  
(I will follow)  
(I will listen)  
(I will love You)  
(All of my days)

### CHORUS: (Everyone)

You are Lord of lords, You are King of kings,  
You are mighty God, Lord of everything,  
You're Emmanuel, You're the Great I AM,  
You're the Prince of peace who is the Lamb,  
You're the living God, You're my saving grace,  
You will reign forever, You are Ancient of Days,  
You are Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End,  
You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and Friend.  
You're my Prince of Peace  
And I will live my life for You.

## I WILL TRUST IN YOU

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When I can't see You, I know You're here  
When I can't feel You, I will not fear  
I will trust in You and I will not be afraid

And when the battle is close at hand  
I know You're with me to help me stand  
I will trust in You and I will not be afraid *chorus*

### CHORUS:

I will not be afraid, I will not be afraid  
I will trust in You, I will trust in You

And when the darkness is closing in  
And I am running against the wind  
I will trust in You and I will not be afraid

'Cause when I'm standing upon that shore  
And all the battles they have gone before  
I will trust in You and I will not be afraid *chorus*

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Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Alleluia, Alleluia. *(repeat)*

He's my savior, He's my savior.  
He's my savior, He's my savior. *(repeat)*

He is worthy, He is worthy.  
He is worthy, He is worthy. *(repeat)*

I will praise Him, I will praise Him.  
I will praise Him, I will praise Him. *(repeat)*