

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Interim Pastor

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 30, 2026

Preservice Music (*a time to quiet our souls*)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Announcements / Opening Prayer

Prelude: *Father in Heaven* (Handel)

Jackie Laing

*Praise Medley

Insert

Prayer of Confession:

Jesus Christ gives His life to us;

Let us pray for the grace to give our lives to Him without reservation.

In times of prosperity and peace;

Forgive us for taking You for granted.

In times of trouble and turmoil;

Forgive us for being anxious, thus doubting Your love for us.

In life and death, we belong to You;

Into Your hands we commend our lives.

(silence for personal reflection and confession)

Response:

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Assurance of Pardon:

Dearly beloved, hear and believe the good news of the gospel,

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

Christine Sericati

Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:1-15

Pg. 46, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 26

Pg. 459, Pew Bible

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Text: Matthew 16:21-28

Pg.822, Pew Bible

Sermon: *A Sacrificial Lifestyle*

Special Music: *Climb Every Mountain* (Rogers & Hammerstein)

Jackie Laing

Affirmation of Faith (*Philippians 2:5-11, JB Philips*)

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord and Savior.

Jesus, who had always been God by nature, did not cling to the advantages of being God's equal, but stripped Himself of all divine privileges by consenting to be a slave by nature and being born as mortal man. And, having become man, He humbled Himself by living a life of utter obedience to His heavenly Father, even to the extent of dying, and the death He died was the death of a common criminal. That is why God has now lifted Him so high, and has given Him the name beyond all names, so that at the name of Jesus "every knee shall bow", whether in Heaven or earth or under the earth. And that is why, in the end, "every tongue shall confess" that Jesus Christ is the Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayers of Intercessions

Prayer Concerns:

Susie Neitzel, Theresa Ozzello, Phil Peterson, Sue Fraker,
Margaret Spooner, Anne Starr, Chuck Jennings, Geri Anderson,
Charlie Novara, Scott Doda, Kathy Eavenson, Bonnie Hyde, Mary
Rushford; the PNC; missionaries, Sam and Cayla

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: *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

No. 602

***Charge and Benediction**

***Response:**

***Postlude**

***Those who are able, please stand.**

CHURCH NOTES

Tuesday: 1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry

Thursday: 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That

Our Wednesday Programs will begin September 9th. Please pray for the volunteers and youth as we start the year. There is still room for any youth or adults interested in joining us. See Sonia with any questions.

Ushers: Amber, Alaysa, Brielle and Adelyn Bacon

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_____ Meal Prep (Noon - 3:00p.m.) **2 people needed**
_____ Kitchen Helper (4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.) **2 people needed**

2nd Monday: Coordinator: **Sandy Petroff**

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3rd Monday: Coordinator: **NEEDED**

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4th Monday: Coordinator: **Mike & Susan Corcoran**

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5th Monday: Coordinator: **Curtis and Sonia Donnelly**

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