

The Worship of God
8th Sunday after Pentecost – July 18, 2021 – 10:30 Morning Worship
Welcome to First Presbyterian Church via Zoom!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us join in, all together with each other.

Let us build a community of worship.

God, be with us as we worship together

OPENING PRAYER

As we gather for worship today, we look around and pay attention to where we are.

We smile.

Smiling at those who worship with us,

or as we think of friends who are gathering in other places.

We recall that you, our God, are with us when we worship in ones and twos,

in groups and crowds, in our homes, inside church buildings and outside in your creation.

We pause in our weekly doings to gather together and with you.

Be with us, we pray. Amen.

SING

"The God of Abraham Praise"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

we recognize the times and ways we put distance between ourselves and you,

between ourselves and others.

We recognize the times and ways we build walls that separate us from each other and you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Remember, God promises steadfast love and reconciliation.

God is not far away but close.

God loves and forgives us.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

I invite you to turn to one another and share a sign of peace:

You're invited to unmute yourselves and exchange peace with one another

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSON

Eph. 2:11-22

...The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Chaplain Tim Haworth

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SING

"The Church's One Foundation"

GIVING OUR GIFTS

DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Accept our gifts today, we pray.

By offering our time, concerns, and resources,

we seek to participate in your work of care and compassion.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FROM THE CHAT WINDOW

LORD'S PRAYER (debts & debtors)

SENDING INTO GOD'S WORLD

SING

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

SENDING FORTH

As we leave worship today, we look around and pay attention to where we are.

We smile. Smiling at those who worshipped with us, or as we think of friends in other places.

We recall that you, our God, are with us in ones and twos, in groups and crowds,

in our homes, inside church buildings, and outside in your creation.

As we go back to our weekly doings, be with us, we pray.

Amen.

POSTLUDE