



The Enemies of Gratitude

Twenty-Second Sunday
After Pentecost

October 18, 2026
10:30 A.M.

FIRST 
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

**Rise in body or spirit*

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Toccata in d minor, BWV 565

Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stephanie Dube

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

INTROIT

We Are Standing on Holy Ground

We are standing on holy ground, and we know that there are angels all around;

Let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in His presence on holy ground.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

You have found favor in my sight, says the Lord;

I know you by name.

Show us your glory.

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.

Where you are is our rest!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that we do not live as those worthy to be entrusted with the good news of your grace. We relate to others callously as though we do not trust that gospel ourselves. We seek to please and manipulate, we flatter and mask our insecurities with grabs for power. Our motives are mixed and impure. Lord, reassure us and cleanse us, in Jesus' name.

Brief moment of silent prayer.

PRAYER RESPONSE (HYMN 535)

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

BLESS THE LORD

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

Glory Be to The Father

GLORIA PATRI

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I 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. I 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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

PEACE RESPONSE (HYMN 654)

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

TAIZE

BLESSING OF YOUNG DISCIPLES

Stephanie Dube

May God be with you in worship here.

May God be with you in worship there.

Children may depart the sanctuary for Kids' Kirk. They will return before communion.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (N.T.p. 203)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Disappointment"

The Rev. Dr. John Hagmann

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (O.T.p. 191)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(The Scots Confession)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

Begin Anew

Karen Marrolli

Begin anew. Sing of transformation to the Lord.

Begin anew, certain that peace and joy will surely be restored.

When the shadows fall, let the promise of hope and a future light the way.

Your defender is with you, guiding your footsteps from darkness into day.

When the world seems dark, let the power of Christ be a beacon, giving light,

From our spirits reflecting, saving the broken from hopelessness and night.

And if God walks beside us to strengthen and guide us,

then blessing can flow through our hands.

We will plant a lush garden of blessing and pardon,

a refuge where that Love divine eternally expands.

Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen! Revive us again!

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Sung by all: (Hymn 572)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The prayer continues.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek God are invited to the table. Ushers will guide you forward to partake by taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Servers will come to those who prefer to remain in their seats.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living Christ, as you open the scriptures to us you make yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Let us now go forth from this place, fed at your table and filled by the Spirit, to walk with you all the days of our lives, and proclaim the glory of your resurrection to all the world. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Prelude on *St. Ann*

Samuel Sabastian Wesley

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY ARE

IN MEMORY OF PAM KIRTLEY

GIVEN BY BOB KIRTLEY AND FAMILY

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: The *Rev. Dr. John Hagmann*

Music Director: *Patrick Ritsch*

Liturgist: *Ashley Johnson*

Communion Servers: *Debbie Hutchinson & Linda Kabalen*

Kids' Kirk: *Allison Bates*

Financial Update Our ministry is funded by the giving of members and friends. Thank you for your generosity.

Year-To-Date (thru September)	Month of October To Date	Week of October 18
Income: \$ 362,987.60	Income: \$ 48,008.91	Income: \$ 27,696.00
<u>Expense: \$ 376,308.00</u>	<u>Expense: \$ 27,335.02</u>	<u>Expense: \$ 502.99</u>
Balance: (-\$ 13,320.40)	Balance: \$ 20,673.89	Balance: \$ 27,193.01

*If you have any questions, our bookkeeper is in the office on Tuesdays from 10-4

The Life of the Church

We have printed copies of the **PresbyNotes** available for pick up in the hall.

Steeple Repairs will begin on Monday. There may be areas of the church grounds that will be inaccessible during the repairs.

The Mission Committee will be accepting donations for the CrossRoads to Hope Women's Emergency Shelter. Next week: **November 1** – Seasonal Needs: ponchos, hot hands (extremely important in fall and winter months), cough drops, Tylenol, ibuprofen, refillable water bottles (there is a water station to refill their bottles before leaving in the morning)

The **Worship Committee** is excited to restart the sanctuary flower ministry. The arrangements will cost \$75 each if done in house or you can arrange to bring your own arrangements. Contact the church office to reserve a date and order. Please see PresbyNotes for more information.





First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith called to proclaim the good news of the love of Jesus Christ for all people, and to join God in the building of a just, peaceful, and compassionate world.

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