

## SENDING

**\*Hymn** "Touch the Earth Lightly" Hymnal #713

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response**

"In Christ There Is No East or West" Hymnal #317 vs 1  
*In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.*

**\*Postlude**

Serving Today

**Greeter** LeRoy Lafferty  
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**Welcome Table** Kate Cameron

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# Faith Presbyterian Church

A family of Christ, welcoming all, worshipping God,  
growing in the Spirit and joyously serving others.  
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*Pastor: Rev. Dr. Sam Codington*

Please rise in body or spirit, where you see an asterisk. \*

## **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**

**NOVEMBER 5, 2023 9:30 AM**

### **GATHERING**

**Music for Meditation** "O Worship the King" J. Rodriguez

**Welcome**

**Words for Preparation:**

*"For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we may walk in them." Ephesians 2:10.*

**\*Gathering Song** "I Will Call Upon the Lord" Hymnal #621

*I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.*

*So shall I be saved from my enemies.*

*I will call upon the Lord.*

*The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,*

*And let the God of my salvation be exalted.*

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**Choral Introit** "Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" G. Young

**Call to Worship** Steve Wood

Leader: In the presence of empty hands outstretched, seeking care and love,

**All: we encounter the hands of Christ.**

Leader: In the sound of aching voices calling out, hoping to be heard,

**All: we hear the voice of Christ.**

Leader: Come, let us give thanks for the presence of Christ on our doorstep.

**\*Hymn** "Now Thank We All Our God" Hymnal #643

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Call to Confession**

Leader: Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Come, let us turn to God and lay down our burdens with a prayer of confession.

**Prayer of Confession**

All: Loving God, through Jesus the Christ you taught us, "where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Yet we continue to put our faith in earthly treasures, hoarding up possessions that moth and rust will destroy, clinging to power and privilege whenever we can. Set us free from greed and fear. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Teach us to trust in you alone; through Jesus the Christ, our true redeemer, amen.  
(Silent Confession)

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: We are God's beloved children, called, forgiven, and strengthened to share God's love.  
All: Thanks be to God for freeing us to grow in good works.

**\*Response** "Gloria Patri" Hymnal #582  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

**PROCLAIMING**

**Choral Anthem** "One Faith, One Hope, One Lord" C. Courtney

**Sermon on the Steps**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture Lesson (NRSV)** Matthew 25:14-30  
Leader: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us,  
All: Thanks be to God!

**Sermon** "Growing in Good Works" Rev. Dr. Sam Codington

**RESPONDING**

**\*Hymn** "In Remembrance of Me" Hymnal #521

**\*Apostles' Creed**

**Communion**

Invitation

Prayer of thanksgiving

Words of institution

**Prayers of the People**

**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.

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

All: God of grace, you have created us to grow in good works. Use what we have, where we are, and who we are. Help us to affirm human dignity, feed hungry bodies and souls, and nurture hope-filled dreams for the future. Amen.