

# 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

9:00 a.m.

*Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.*

\*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.

## Our Approach to God

Prelude

The Church's One Foundation

David Blackwell

The Call to Worship

The clarion call of the Christian faith is

**"God is on our side!"**

Whenever we are hurt or suffering

**Our help is in the Lord.**

Whenever we are full of joy

**The Lord rejoices with us.**

Come and see that the Lord is good.

**We praise God's holy Name!**

\*The Hymn of Praise

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

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\*The Call to Confession

God is light; in God there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Christ while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true. But if we walk in the light as Christ Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:5-7)

\*The Prayer of Confession

**Heavenly Father, we confess that too often we live in the shadows of sin rather than in the light of Your Word. Too often we seek our own will over Yours; too often we do what is best for ourselves and disregard the needs and well-being of others as You have called us to do. Forgive us our selfishness, remove from us the darkness of sin, and help us to live in Your light and Your love.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon

Almighty God, unconditionally loving and infinitely merciful, does not wish us to perish in sin but to live loving and grace-filled lives. Therefore, God through Jesus Christ forgives us all our sins and charges us to be similarly merciful and forgiving of others. **Amen.**

\*The Gloria Patri

*Glory Be to the Father*

579

**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. Amen.**

The Anthem

Seek Ye the Lord

J. V. Roberts

## The Word of God

The Time with the Children (children are dismissed to Sunday School)

The New Testament Reading

James 5:13-20

page 314 NT

The Gospel Reading

Mark 9:38-50

page 62 NT

The Sermon

Rev. Michael Hahn

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

hymnal, page 14

\*The Hymn

*To God Be the Glory*

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The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; 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 of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory

The Call

Ralph Vaughn Williams

\*The Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* 592

**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.**

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Hymn *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* 142

\*The Charge and Benediction

\*The Congregational Response *Go with Us, Lord* 535  
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**

\*Postlude *Allegro deciso* Léon Boëllmann

\* Congregation Standing – for those who are able.

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**Liturgist:** JoAnn Hunt

**Ushers:** Hugh Matson, Anne Schmidt, Larry Smith

**Greeters:** Rousseau Family

**Fellowship Hour:** Carol Poole and friends

**Musical Talents:** Thomas Heidenreich – Director of Music Ministry, joint choirs  
from First Presbyterian Church and Second Presbyterian Church.

**\*\*\*\*NO 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second today\*\*\*\***

**Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for  
refreshments and fellowship.**

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*Seeking and Serving Christ. We are a Place for Growing Christians.*

# Announcements and Upcoming Events



Office hours for the week of September 30 will be **Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** As unforeseen circumstances may occur, please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church. **Pastor Ruth will be on vacation thru October 1. Sonia will be out of the office on Monday, September 30.**

## For The Hearing Impaired

The service audio is being broadcast on 96.7-FM throughout the building and parking lot. Feel free to bring your pocket size radio, with headphones or earbuds, and listen to the service at an audio level that is more comfortable for you.

## Rescue Mission Lunches



Please join us Saturday, **October 5**, at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen to assemble bag lunches for the Saginaw Rescue Mission. On the first Sunday of each month, we provide a bag lunch for the Rescue Mission which is assembled the day before in our church kitchen.

## World Communion Sunday

**Sunday, October 6** Communion will be celebrated during the worship service. We hold an open Communion at Second Presbyterian Church which means all believing Christians are welcome to participate.



Feeding Individuals



Sharing Hope

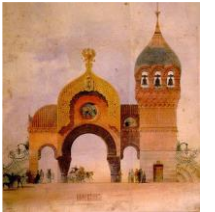
We also invite you to bring non-perishable items for **The Ecumenical Food Pantry at First Presbyterian Church.** Requested items are **Cereal, peanut butter, toothbrushes, small toothpaste, soup(all variety), sloppy joe, pasta(all variety), razors(large package from Dollar Store).** Monetary donations are accepted and appreciated.

## Peace & Global Witness – Special Offerings

The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be received in worship on World Communion Day, Sunday, October 6. Each congregation retains 25% of the offering it receives to use for local peacemaking within the church and its community. 25% is used by presbyteries and synods, and 50% is used by the General Assembly ministries for Presbyterian Peacemaking Programs. There are special envelopes in the pews for this offering.

## Concert Season

The first concert is an organ recital presented by Thomas Heidenreich on **Sunday, October 13, at 4:00pm** at First Presbyterian Church (121 S. Harrison St., Saginaw, MI, 48602). The recital is centered around a transcription of Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*—a piece that will be sure to use the full resources of the Casavant organ!



Our Fish Fry on **Friday, October 18, 2024**, is fast approaching! We will need plenty of help to make this fish fry a success. It really is a fun event! Sign-up sheets will be in the gathering area soon.

Proceeds from the sale go to the Presbyterian Men's Group, which pays for many of the maintenance jobs around the church. Please let one of the following individuals know if you are willing the help: Paul DeWyse (989)284-7975 [pdewyse@aol.com](mailto:pdewyse@aol.com), Adam Engel (989) 781-1218 [schmiel42@aol.com](mailto:schmiel42@aol.com), or Alan Poplewski (989) 928-7957 [alanpoplewski@hotmail.com](mailto:alanpoplewski@hotmail.com)



Second Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Trunk or Treat for the community Sunday, **October 27, 2024** from 11am-1pm. Please consider participating as we will need a minimum of 20 cars to make the event worthwhile. Sign-up sheets are out.

## James 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

<sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. <sup>18</sup> Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

<sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, <sup>20</sup> remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.