

The Worship of God
2nd Sunday after Pentecost – June 19, 2022 – 9:00 Morning Worship
Welcome to First Presbyterian Church via Zoom!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, we wait,
and our waiting is for you.

O God, we long,
and our longing is for you.

O God, we yearn,
and our yearning is for you.

And in silence,
we listen for your Spirit.

And in silence,
we hear our names.

And in silence,
we are found.

OPENING PRAYER

Sacred space, holding all silence;
silence, holding the whole word of God;
word of God, holding all truth for the world;
truth for the world, holding every hope of life;
hope of living, holding every grace of God;
the grace of God, holding every moment of heaven;
moments of heaven, held in sacred space;
sacred space, holding all silence; in this silence, God, we meet.

Amen.

SING

"In Christ There is No East or West"

#317

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"What are you doing here?" asks God.

"What are you doing here in the silence, among those who have no voice,
among those who have been silenced?

What sound will fill the silence?

"What are you doing here in the injustice,
amid the imbalance of the world,
amid the unfairness of people's lives.

What act will transform the suffering?

"What are you doing here in the pain, amid the hurt of people,
amid the brokenness of the world?"

What response will make whole the healing?

“What are you doing here?” asks God.

(silent prayers)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“I am forgiving,” says God.

“I am holding you and believing in you.

I am waiting to change your living,
to whisper love into every silence,
echo truth into every lie,

 speak healing into every brokenness.

I am forgiving. Come and let us start anew.”

Thanks be to God. We start anew.

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

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 19:1-15a

SECOND LESSON

Luke 8:26-39

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

REFLECTION

Rev. Susan Phillips

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

SING

“As the Deer”

#626

GIVING OUR GIFTS

DOXOLOGY

“Santo, Santo, Santo”

#595

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FROM THE CHAT WINDOW

Creating God, may all our words be filled with silence:

 a space broad enough to pray for the world’s needs,
 and a place deep enough to meet you in it.

We place a silence here for all conflict,
where words can never heal,

 only the witness of peace-filled living, and the touch of love.

We place a silence here for all hurt, where words can never repair,
only the witness of grace-filled living, and the touch of love.

We place a silence here for all injustice, where words can never break through,
only the witness of truth-filled living, and the touch of love.

We place a silence here for all victims, where words can never say sorry,
only the witness of compassion-filled living, and the touch of love.
We place a silence here for all people, where words are confusing and confused,
and only the witness of patient living, and the touch of love, speaks.
Creating God, may all our words be filled with silence:
space broad enough to pray what the world needs,
and a place deep enough to meet you in it.

LORD'S PRAYER (debts & debtors)

SENDING INTO GOD'S WORLD

SING

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

#795

SENDING

Go now in silence, listening always for God in the world.

Our ears are open to God.

Go now in silence, listening always for love in our neighborhood.

Our hearts are open to God.

Go now in silence, listening always for grace in our living.

Our lives are open to God.

Amen.

POSTLUDE