

First Presbyterian Church

Rally Day

Morrison, Illinois

September 11, 2022

14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:15AM

Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!



PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in D Minor

J.S. Bach

THE GATHERING WELCOME

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

INTROIT

For the Beauty of the Earth

No. 473 Vs. 1

OPENING PRAYER AND MOMENT FOR MEDITATION (1 Timothy 1:12-17)

“I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.”

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) ((Psalms 130:1-7)

Pastor: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

All: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

Pastor: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

All: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

Pastor: O Israel, hope in the Lord!

All: For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

***HYMN**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

No. 482

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Lord, in our life, we transgress from your ways. Even though you always offer us forgiveness and new life, we still stray. Lord, help us break from this cycle. Help us stop doing what we have always done that leads us away from you. Help us truly be able to begin again in a new life lived only for you. We pray this in Jesus’ name.....*Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen’.*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Unison)

God is patient and God waits for us to stop our sinful ways. Through Christ, we have gained the power to leave behind our unwanted past. The Holy Spirit will be in us as we start over. It is possible to live fully for Christ. Praise be Jesus forever and ever! Amen.

***HYMN**

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

No. 579

TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH (Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

GOSPEL READING

Luke 15:1-10

SERMON

***HYMN**

The Summons

Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Concluding with “Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers”)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***HYMN**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)

No. 592

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** (Unison)

We thank you Lord, for this “rally day.” We thank you for calling us together so that we might be able to serve you to the greatest of our potential. We pray that we be able to leave our old life behind and begin anew with you in this day. Take our lives from us so that we may serve only you in all that we do. With great thanksgiving, we rededicate our lives to you. Make us new in your love and with your Spirit. Help our actions pour out your love so that we may help those in this world who are vulnerable and in need. Help us create your heaven here on earth this day. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***HYMN**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

No. 376

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE**

Laudation

G. Martin

PASSING OF THE PEACE (*greeting: “Peace be with you,” response: “and also with you”*)

*You are invited to stand for this portion.

**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).



Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!

Remember in prayer: Individuals and families fighting COVID-19 infection; residents and staff of Resthove, Homestead of Morrison (formerly Windsor Manor) and Pleasant View; medical workers, essential employees, school teachers & staff; Dan Brandon, Orville Goodenough, Janet Johnson, Joyce Mathew, Shirley Mills, Wayne Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), the family of Vonda Shank, Cooke Shawver, Jean Temple, Dick Vandermyde, Michael Vegter, Jr.

Love one another!

Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 9:30am from the church's Facebook group page: www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison. And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZlobAb6lcNXGA0cbuuVdg>

Bible Study In September, we will meet at 9:30 a.m. on the 6th and 20th at Pleasant View.

Deacons Are Here For You Do you have a physical or spiritual need? Our deacons want to help! Please feel free to reach out to a deacon!

Prayer Requests

Have a prayer request? You can now email them to prayers.firstpresmorrison@gmail.com

Drive-Up Meal The next meal will be on October 13. We will be serving Chili. Meals will begin at 5:00PM.

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Mavis Best
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*May you be made strong
with all the strength that comes from his glorious power,
and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience,
while joyfully giving thanks to the Father,
who has enabled you to share in the inheritance
of the saints in the light.
He has rescued us from the power of darkness
and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of sins.
He is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—
all things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.
He is the head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning,
the firstborn from the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross.
And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind,
doing evil deeds,
he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death,
so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—
provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith,
without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard,
which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven.*

—Colossians 1:11-23a

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