

The First Presbyterian Church
300 South Main Street
Greensburg, Pennsylvania
The Tenth Sunday of Pentecost – August 14, 2022 – 10 a.m.
Simulcast Service

PRELUDE

Grave and Adagio from Organ Sonata No. 2

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

O come let us bow down and worship; let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

For the Lord is our God; we are the Lord's people, the flock that God shepherds.

✠**HYMN 301**

Let Us Build a House

✠**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

✠**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 82

SOLO

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Edward C. Bairstow

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever. Where streams of living waters flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth! Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and gently on his shoulder laid, and home rejoicing brought me. And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:1-21

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Martin R. Ankrum

✠**HYMN 300**

We Are One in the Spirit

✠**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - APOSTLES' CREED** (*unison*)

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

OUR JOYFUL RESPONSE - TITHES & OFFERINGS

✠**RESPONSE** Doxology (hymnal p. 606)

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.

✠**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

✠**HYMN 610**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

✠**BENEDICTION**

✠**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Go with Us, Lord

Hymn 748

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 Maestoso e Vivace from Organ Sonata No. 2 *Felix Mendelssohn*

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP THIS MORNING:

Rev. Dr. Martin R. Ankrum, Pastor / Head of Staff

Ms. Gloria Christofano, Interim Choir Director

Ms. Hazel Braun, Interim Accompanist

Mr. Jacob Gruss, Guest Organist

Ms. Nancy Wallace, Lector

Mr. Gregg Brandt, Soloist

Mr. Rick Terrill, Video Technician

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FIRST NEWS: The News of FPC – August 14 - 21, 2022

CHURCH PICNIC - Sunday, August 21 JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY following the morning worship service for our annual Church Picnic at the Heather Lund Pavilion in Mt. Odin Park, Greensburg, just off Route 30. The Church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and paper products. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. If you are not a cook, no worries!! We always have plenty of food and your presence will make the event a memorable one! Come meet and socialize with family and friends from the congregation. Events for the kids are being planned. If you can bring along food to share, please call the church office to indicate your contribution. We are following CDC and local guidelines in all our planning for the gathering and safe distancing of our church family and friends. This event will be held rain or shine! Please join us!!

YOUTH GROUP SPONSORED SUNDAE BAR - Please join us after the service on Sunday, August 28 in the Dining Room for a sundae. The Youth will meet at 9:15 a.m. in the kitchen to set up before going to church. After the service, we'll return to the kitchen to serve our guests. If interested in helping prepare and serve, please RSVP by emailing jennifer1996slater@gmail.com, texting 724-217-3448 or by using the BAND app.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Adult Sunday Class Returns in mid-September - Karl Barth in Plain English
Coming Soon: Return of the 9 a.m. Sunday Adult Forum on famous theologians and their thought. This year our subject will be Karl Barth, oft quoted by Dr. Ankrum in sermons. More information to come!

LAST TUESDAY BOOK CLUB RETURNS ON SEPTEMBER 27 – 7 P.M. Join the LTBC, a monthly literary discussion group re-starting in September. The club will read three short stories a month, paired by Dr. Ankrum from the Oxford Book of American Short Stories. These stories are fairly easily obtained even without the book, but the procurement of the collection is a worthy investment. Please gather with us on Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. in the PW Lounge. This month we read and discuss: Cynthia Ozick – ‘The Shawl’; Annie Proulx – ‘The Mud Below’; Joyce Carol Oates – ‘Heat’.

THRU THE BIBLE CLASS RESUMES IN SEPTEMBER -- PLEASE MEET IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM: On the last Monday of every month, Dr. Ankrum holds a progressive Bible study working our way through the entire canon of scripture. We meet at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Room and discuss usually a whole book of the Bible each month. Please join us on Monday, September 26 for a discussion that opens the New Testament with the Gospel of Matthew.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SAVE THE DATE: August 21 – First Floor Art Room - PreK/K Sunday School Orientation Event - Are you new to children’s Sunday school? Join us for art, games, and fun before worship. Parents are invited to stay and will have the opportunity to ask questions and review curriculum.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING - SEPTEMBER 11 – FLETCHER ROOM – Sunday School returns for children, youth, and their families in the form of breakfast! Join with friends for fruit, donuts, and fun as we gather and celebrate another year of growing in God’s love. The first actual Sunday school class is September 18. Please contact Wendy McCann with any questions.

YOUTH SUMMER BLAST POOL PARTY – August 14, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. - Join us for a pool party at the Slater’s house this afternoon, 1022 Quincy Drive, Greensburg. Please RSVP by emailing jennifer1996slater@gmail.com, texting 724-217-3448 or by using the BAND app.

FALL MUSIC PROGRAM - Any youth who may play a band instrument(s) and are interested in participating in the FPC fall music program, please contact Karen Cole at bandikac@yahoo.com or 724-244-1672.

PRAYER LIST: Jane B., Ann Bagley, Becky, Lisa B., George Chambers, Sandy Cole, Edna Mary Cox, Dan, Kaitlyn Daniels, Lou DeRose, Chris Dieck, Bob Dittman, Joanne & Dennis Doyle, Michael Felice, Janis Garofalo, Richard Gracik, Edgar and Joanne Highberger, Gretchen Highberger, Jake Hinson, Frank Hodges, Lucas James, Lee Jamison, Kathy McIlhattan Kostrick, Ray Kuyat, Paige Lucas, Rupert Martinko, George Maser, Carol Mateer, Jeff Mateer, Peg & Doug Newman, Nancy Pallitta, Pat Panza, Chuck Phillips, Kathleen Piekut, Colton Reid, Aksel Rockhold, Bill Rumshock, Ron Russell, Dr. John Salveson, Nico & Stacey Salvio, Joan Scales, Vivian Schwing, Gene Sember, Dana Shafer, Barbara Sill and family, Janet Sutherland, Emory Tanos, Isabelle Taylor, Ray Tietsworth, Lynda Turin, Linda & Tom Turin, Lois Ann Watson, Jay and Sue Woodward, Tom Yacko, and Marsha Zoruba.

Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
C7 F C F B^b C Dm



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
Gm C F B^b




vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

THE CHURCH

(D)
(G)
(F#7)
(Bm)
Refrain
(Em)
(Bm)


F
B^b
A7
Dm
Gm
Dm



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m)
(Em)
(D)
(Em)
(A7)
(D)
(G)
(D)
(A7)

Am
Gm
F
Gm
C7
F
B^b
F
(C7)



all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm Cm Fm

1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)
Bbm Fm

we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)
Bbm Fm

and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain (C) (Em)
Db Fm

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)
Bbm Fm Bbm Cm Fm Bbm/F Fm

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - jice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

SPANISH

1 *Mil voces para celebrar
 a mi Libertador,
 las glorias de su majestad,
 los triunfos de su amor.*

KOREAN

1 만 입이 내게 있으면
 그 입 다 가지고
 내 구주 주신 은총을
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

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