

THE  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH  
AT CALDWELL

***Our Purpose:  
To help all people build life-transforming  
relationships with God and each other.***



***The members and friends of FPC welcome people from all backgrounds - -  
people of faith from throughout the world, people who profess no faith,  
Christians of all denominations and those who are searching  
for religious and spiritual meaning.  
Welcome!***

**June 23, 2019  
Ten o'clock  
2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

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**GATHERING**

**REFLECTION**

*"There are all kinds of voices calling you to all different kinds of work, and the problem is to find out which is the voice of God rather than of society, say, or the Superego, or Self-Interest."*

*Frederick Buechner*

**PRELUDE**

Reflections on "Candler"  
First Church Ringers

Arr. Derek Hakes

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Like the tender parent who supports a child's first steps,

**God guides us along.**

Like the loving grandparent who gathers us into an abundant lap,

**God holds us in our times of need.**

Like a lasting friend who seems to sense our needs,

**God is mysteriously working for good in all our days.**

In many ways and with many faces,

**God is loving us. Hallelujah!**

## OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN NO. 488

*“I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”*

Waterlife

## CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Faithful God, persistent friend, you weave so many wonderful people into our lives: fathers and mothers, children and youth, friends and neighbors, teachers and mentors. Yet do we stop to acknowledge them as blessings from God? Do we say a word of thanks or whisper a prayer of gratitude? Have we told our appreciation, written a word of encouragement, sung their praises? Faithful God, forgive us for taking anyone for granted. Give us eyes to see the miracles around us. Give us hearts that know you care for each and everyone. Give us voices to sing our thanks.**

### PERSONAL CONFESSION

In the name of Jesus, who remains faithful even when we do not, we pray.

**Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

...Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 157 (stanza 1) *“I Danced in the Morning”*

Lord of the Dance

**I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had my birth.  
Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance said he.**

## PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING

### ANTHEM

*“The Plans I Have for You”*

Allen Pote

Text based on Jeremiah 20:11-14

Westminster & Pilgrim Choirs

Youth Choir Alums & Advisors

### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

***Please note:*** Children through 7th grade may leave the sanctuary for Sunday School following the Time with the Children. Please exit through the doors on either side of the Choir loft.

### PARISH LIFE

***Members, friends and visitors,*** please sign the Friendship Pad in each pew and pass it to the person next to you. **Worshipers are invited to use the cards in the pew racks for prayer requests so we may share one another's joys and concerns.** *The ushers will collect the cards during the hymn following the sermon and they will be offered during the Prayers of the People.*

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 12:1-9

Page 9, OT

SERMON

“Competing Voices”

Dr. Sommers

\*HYMN NO. 51

“To Abraham and Sarah”

Llanfyllin

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION

STAFFORD SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Ave Maria” Op. 93

Gabriel Faure’ (1845 - 1924)

Translation: **Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.**

**Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**

**Hail Mary, Mother of God. Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Lauren Dwyer & Eliana Salierno, Duet

\*RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING

Taizé Chant

**The kingdom of God is justice and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.**

**Come, Lord, and open in us, the gates of your kingdom.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### GOING FORTH

\*HYMN NO. 177

“I Will Come to You”

You Are Mine

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 157 (stanza 5)

“I Danced in the Morning”

Lord of the Dance

**They cut me down and I leap up high; I am the life that will never, never die;**

**I’ll live in you if you’ll live in me: I am the Lord of the dance, said he.**

**Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the dance, said he,**

**And I’ll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I’ll lead you all in the dance said he.**

\*THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please exchange greetings of welcome and peace with your neighbor.*

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***\*Please rise in body or in spirit***

†If you are new to the church...**Welcome!** We're glad to have you here. Please ask an usher to direct you to *Visitor packets* at the rear of the church. They can be found on the table near the usher's closet under the balcony stairs. After the 10:00am service today, we hope you will join us for Coffee Hour in Room 120.

† The red rose today celebrates the birth of.....

...Eleni on June 13th to Cori Bruchac and Bobby Kakavitsas. She is the granddaughter of Barb and Mike Bruchac and Eleni Souliot.

†The flowers this morning, are given to the glory of God...

...In loving memory of our parents by Max & Elizabeth Oehler.

†The white rose on the communion table celebrates the life of First Presbyterian Church Member, Don Hults, and remembers the promise of the resurrection in his death on Wednesday, June 19th, 2019. Our sympathy is extended to the Hults family and friends.

†The white rose on the communion table celebrates the life of First Presbyterian Church Member, Georgianna Brixius, and remembers the promise of the resurrection in her death on Thursday, June 20th, 2019. Our sympathy is extended to the Brixius family and friends.

† Your prayers of intercession are requested for those members and friends known to be currently or recently hospitalized or who continue to need our prayers and support:

...Maggie Bischoff, Alice Brackmann, Harry Coppens, Ray Corbin, Jay Courter, Catherine Fleming, Neil Garland, Bill Hartman, Sandra Harvey, Bill Hayden, Christopher Kerwin, Edna Lawshe, Dottie Leonard, Marge Lucas, Thelma Mitchell, Kara Nancoz, Kaye Prasad, Barbara Piggery, Louise Ritscher, Richard Rose, Barbara Romaine, Bob Scarrillo, Debbie Wefferling, Laura Winter and Helena Wispelwey.



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