

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church
Please join us for fellowship and refreshments at “Coffee Hour” in the
Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.
(✚ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

1st Sunday in Lent

February 14, 2016 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Praeludium

Donovan Klotzbeacher
Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the red “friendship pads” found at the end of each pew by the center aisle. Note the names of those worshipping around you as you pass the pad back. We encourage you to greet each other after the service.)

INTROIT

“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving” **Donovan Klotzbeacher**
(Ps. 100) **The Chorale**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Louis Mitchell

In the wilderness of life, we have hope:

We live by the Word of the Lord.

In the face of temptation, we proclaim:

We worship the Lord our God alone.

Let us worship God.

HYMN # 467 (Hymnal)*

“How Great Thou Art”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you. We desire earthly kingdoms and dismiss your heavenly realm. We seek to provide for ourselves and spurn the bread of life you offer. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to rely on your saving word, to trust in your sustaining care, and to worship and serve you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✚

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? **I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? **I do.**

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.**

(Elders) Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the Church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

(Deacons) Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the people of the church accept ***Samantha Andrews, Dennis Chonko, Joan Fraser, Janet Furchak, Kay Gartner, Flo Kremann, Andy Kremann *Gail Geijer, Anne Gordon, Jean Randazzo, Ann Riemann, Ron Riemann, *Vicki Waciega, Janet Wheeler and Don Winchell** as Elders and Deacons chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? (*to be ordained) **We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. [the prayer continues]

PRONOUNCEMENT OF INSTALLATION AND WELCOME

Many thanks, to those who have completed their term as active officers.

Elders: James Dixon, Martha Donovan, Kenneth Gordon and John Kirkenir

Deacons: Nancy Chonko, Jean Dunham, Carol Edelson and Barbara Hannon

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 91

Joan Fraser
Pew Bible pg. 548

ANTHEM

"Come thou fount of every blessing"

Crawford Thoburn
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4: 1-13

Pew Bible pg. 61

SERMON

"The Wilderness Experience" Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates

THE RESPONSE

HYMN # 80 (Hymnal)* *“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Mitchell

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Aberystwyth

Donovan Klotzbeacher

Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Rev. Schafer-Coates

HYMN # 527 (Hymnal)*

“Near to the Heart of God”

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

Rev. Schafer-Coates

POSTLUDE*

Concluding Voluntary

Anon.

Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**