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# 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2023

10:00 AM

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## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE: "Wings of a Dove" *Joyce Stanton, Soloist & Guitarist*

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 105) *Andy Brussel, Liturgist*

One: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

**All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.**

One: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**All: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

One: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered.

**All: Let us come to worship today with all of these wonderful works in our minds. Let us come to the Lord with joy in our hearts.**

\*HYMN (insert) "I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew"

CALL TO CONFESSION

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God in confidence.

Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Heavenly father, we know that you are always present, even during stormy times. Help us to model your love and be present for others in the world who are struggling in the winds of turmoil, poverty and loneliness. May we give generously of our time, talents, and money so that we can be a calming source of strength for others in this world, in your Holy name. Amen.

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**Lord of sea and storm, of sunshine and meadow, we present these offerings as tokens of our lives in grateful praise for your love for us.**

**Use these gifts for the ministries of hope and justice in this, your broken world. We ask this in Jesus' name. AMEN.**

\*HYMN #2212 "My Life Flows On"

\*CHARGE

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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\*For those who are able, please stand.

# **First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY**

## **August 13, 2023**

- **Today's Ushers:** Heidi Henderson & Barb Winegard
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Barb Winegard
- **Flowers:** in the Sanctuary today are provided by Joanne Rodriguez in honor of August Celebrations.
- **BeeFull Food Pantry:** needs Aldi gift cards during the summer months instead of food donations.
- **Deacons:** Tues., Aug. 15, 7 p.m. in the Media Center
- **Bible Study:** An informal Bible discussion and viewing of The Chosen, Wed., Aug. 16, 11 a.m. in the Media Center
- **Baldwinsville Community Band:** Weds., Aug. 16, 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- **Syracuse Mets Baseball:** Faith & Family Night, Fri., Aug. 18
- **Work Day:** Sat., Aug. 19, 8:30 a.m. Please join us to help clean-up and paint the outside of the Nursery School. Contact Rush Pond if you can lend a hand at 315-440-6208.
- **Church Choir:** anyone considering singing in our choir is invited to meet at 9:15 am next week, Aug 20. Come to the choir room and warm up your voices for worship following at 10 am. No experience necessary and no auditions required. Come and sing praise to God.
- **Church Pews:** Are still for sale and are on display in the Choir Room. Contact Marty or Bea if you are interested.



### **Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence**

Nancy Dobbins

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Financial Secretary-----Andrea Ducharme	Treasurer-----Diana Anastas
Nursery School Director--Jessica Newcomb	

### **Identity Statement**

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**Heavenly Father, we confess that we come to this day of resurrection as imperfect people. Although we declare our faith, we also sometimes carry doubts and apprehensions. Just as Jesus’s disciples were unsure of his presence with them, we are sometimes unsure of your presence with us. We go out into a world of demands without the full confidence that you are our guide and our sustainer, and we are too often motivated by our own shortcomings and anxieties than by your grace and love. Forgive us and help us to see your Holy Spirit’s work in all things. Help us to seek the Lord and his strength and his presence continually. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

**WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	1 Kings 19:9-18 red Bible p.451, black Bible p.326	<i><b>Liturgist</b></i>
MUSICAL OFFERING		
EPISTLE LESSON	Romans 10:5-15 red Bible p.1379, black Bible p.160	<i><b>Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret</b></i>
GOSPEL LESSON	Matthew 14:22-33 red Bible p. 1190, black Bible p. 16	<i><b>Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret</b></i>
SERMON “Take Heart, it is I”		<i><b>Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret</b></i>

**WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The 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.**

\*HYMN (insert) “Be Still, My Soul”

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER