

**HEALTH CONCERNS**

**Members:**

Rita Barger (health issues)  
Lucy Dillon (health issues)  
Lorna Foster (rehabilitating at home from shoulder replacement)  
Bernie Krecklow (health issues)  
Hamp Langdon (health issues)  
Judy Maxwell (home recuperating from health issues)  
Bob Myers (heart issues)  
Winnie Theobald (health issues)  
Rodgers White (health issues)  
Millie Vernon (health issues)

**Friends & Family:**

Bolen Ann Kirkman (recovering from a stroke); Faye Dean Watson (cancer treatment);  
Amy Ikerd; Cindy Strickland (diabetes & health issues); Carol Carroll (health issues)  
Briggs Rebecca Huminski (daughter—back in ICU at Baptist Hosp.)  
M. Newton Mike Lucire (Marcia's 41 yr. old son-in-law—stroke and Aortic leak)  
Polinsky Chad Amond (nephew—health issues)  
Self Gregory Martin (rare blood cancer)  
S. Sharp Dick Pauley (Ambassador at PTI—ICU with health issues)

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

Conrad **Dave Hoppes** (son-in-law—home doing well from massive seizure and cardiac arrest)  
Foster Nick Waver (Lorna's grandson—Ok'd to return to work after fighting Corona-virus)  
**Rosalie Nicholson** (completed radiation therapy)  
Mike & Darcy Polinsky's 48th Wedding Anniversary on 7/22

**SPECIAL CONCERNS**

N. Bolen Catherine Bolen (health issues); Carrie Hiatt

**SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO**

Watts **The family of Patricia Pittman Hanna** (Ellen's sister who passed away August 30)



# First Presbyterian Church

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September 6, 2020—14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Tell the whole congregation of God's people: This is a day for new beginnings

**People: This is a time of God's appearing. This is the moment for faithful response.**

Leader: Praise God in the assembly of the faithful. Make melody to God and sing a new song.

**People: Praise God for life enriched by love. Praise God for love that fulfills God's law.**

Leader: This is the hour to wake from our sleep. The energy of God's love fills this place.

**People: Here we claim our identity as Christians. Here we become the church of Jesus Christ.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN NO. 305

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

DARWALL'S 148<sup>TH</sup>

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we have not been faithful to your commands. We have been more ready to condemn than to console, more eager to justify ourselves than to work for understanding. We feed the flames of dissent instead of welcoming the freeing power of forgiveness. We gather as two or three, not to welcome your presence but to gossip about those who are absent. Our sins are destroying us, God. Turn us around to a new way of being. Amen.

*(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Salvation is nearer to us now than when we become believers. God's healing presence has come among us and dwells within us. Our openness to God's transforming love releases in us the potential for wholeness. We will be amazed at what we can do and who we can be as humble, joyous followers of the One who is the way, the truth, and the life. Friends, believe the good news...

**People:** *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

### \*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

*(Please share a sign of peace with others.)*

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

Exodus 12:1-14

Matthew 18:15-20

### SERMON

*"Working Things Out"*

Rev. John Pruitt

## SENDING

### \*HYMN NO. 754

*"Help Us Accept Each Other"*

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### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*"The Apostles' Creed"*

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 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.

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### \*DOXOLOGY

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 NO. 306

*"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

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### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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