



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 4, 2012

Eleven o'clock

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

THE GATHERING

The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. In the spirit of Christian fellowship, we invite you to wear a name tag which is available from the greeters. As a community that prays with and for one another, we invite you to share your joys and concerns by using the blue cards available from the ushers and in the welcome pad folders. Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in bold type.

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE The Joy of the Redeemed Clarence Dickenson

* **HYMN 526** For All the Saints Sine Nomine

* **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses.

People: Death has no dominion over them.

Leader: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord,

People: For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: Let us remember and celebrate the blessed saints of God.

People: Christ, come among us. Alleluia!

INTROIT Belief (from *Eternal Light: A Requiem*) Howard Goodall
IRIS KARLIN, SOPRANO; RON LEVY, PIANO; KAREN LUNDQUIST, HARP;
GEORGE MATHESON, ORGAN

*I have to believe That you still exist Somewhere,
That you still watch me Sometimes,
That you still love me Somehow.*

cont.

*I have to believe That life has meaning Somehow,
That I am useful here Sometimes,
That I make small differences Somewhere.*

*I have to believe That I need to stay here For some time,
That all this teaches me Something,
So that I can meet you again Somewhere.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please use the welcome pad in the blue folder at the end of the pew. Record your presence. Pass it back, noticing who is worshiping with you. When the pad has been returned, please tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Lauren Bigler and Lizzie Palo

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of our parents in faith, through the ages you called forth people – courageous, faithful, and steadfast. Forgive us when we disregard the witness of those who have gone before us. Our memories are dim. Our faith does not burn with a passion as that of those who offered their entire lives to you. Open us to the past and to their bold testimony to faith in our world today. Connect us to the great cloud of witnesses so we may proclaim Christ's justice and compassion in our own time. In Jesus' name we pray.

PRAYERS OF SILENT AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Friends, believe and proclaim the Good News:
in Jesus Christ, love breaks through hatred, hope breaks
through despair, life breaks through death.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, loved, and set free.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymnal No. 579

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.*

* EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Leader: Let us open our hearts to one another as Christ has opened his heart to us, and God will be glorified.

People: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

(Exchange Signs of Reconciliation and the Peace of Christ with your neighbor - e.g., *"The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you."*

Response - *"And also with you."*)

+ Children and Youth leave for their Church School Classes. +

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

ANTHEM

Kyrie: Close Now Thine Eyes
SANDRA RUGGLES, SOPRANO

Goodall

*Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua. Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.*

*(Give them eternal rest, Lord, and eternal light. Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.)*

Close now thine eyes and rest secure;

Thy soul is safe enough, thy body sure;

He that loves thee, he that keeps

And guards thee, never slumbers, never sleeps.

The smiling conscience in a sleeping breast

Has only peace, has only rest;

The music and the mirth of kings

Are all but very discords, when she sings;

Then close thine eyes and rest secure;

No sleep so sweet as thine, no rest so sure

FRANCIS QUARLES (1592-1644)

SECOND LESSON

Mark 12:28-34

SERMON

"In Your Own Words"

Rev. Richard S. Hong

* NICENE CREED

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY Lacrymosa: Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep
MALCOLM COUDEN, BARITONE

*Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am in a thousand winds that blow, I am the softly falling snow.
I am the gentle showers of rain, I am the fields of ripening grain.
I am in the morning hush, I am in the graceful rush
Of far-off birds in circling flight, I am the starshine of the night.
Lacrymosa, dies illa (That sorrowful day)
I am in ev'ry flower that blooms, I am in still and empty rooms.
I am the child that yearns to sing: I am in each lovely thing.
Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there. I did not die.*

MARY ELIZABETH FRYE

* THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Eternal and ever-living God...

... who forever sing to the glory of your name.

SANCTUS 581 (choir and congregation)

Joseph Roff

Pastor: Holy God, in Your mercy . . .

. . . Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pastor: We take this bread and wine and joyfully celebrate this Holy Sacrament. ... And now, with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray:

*People: 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 SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. —Revelation 3:20

All who trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to participate in this celebration.

BREAD: To be taken individually, symbolic of your personal commitment to God through Jesus Christ.

CUP: Please wait until all are served, symbolic of your corporate belonging together in the body of Christ. Grape juice is the fruit of the vine used in our celebration of the sacrament.

COMMUNION Recordare: Drop, Drop Slow Tears
SANDRA RUGGLES, SOPRANO

*Drop, drop, slow tears, And bathe those beauteous feet
Which brought from Heaven The news and Prince of Peace:
Cease not, wet eyes, His mercies to entreat;
To cry for vengeance Sin doth never cease.
In your deep floods Drown all my faults and fears;
Nor let His eye See sin, but through my tears.* (PHINEAS FLETCHER 1580 – 1650)

*Recordare, Jesu pie, quod sum causa tuae viae; ne me perdas illa die
(Remember, kind Jesus, my salvation caused your suffering; do not forsake me on that day.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING OUT

* **HYMN 451** Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones Lasst Uns Erfreuen

* **BENEDICTION**

CHORAL POSTLUDE In Paradisum: Lux aeterna

In paradisum deducant te angeli, in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres, et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem. Chorus angelorum te suscipiat, et cum Lazaro quondam paupere aeternam habeas requiem. Lux aeterna luceat eis cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. Requiem aeternam, dona eis, Domine. Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda quando coeli movendi sunt et terra. Requiem aeternam, dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

(May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs receive you in your coming, and may they guide you into the holy city, Jerusalem. May the chorus of angels receive you and with Lazarus once poor may you have eternal rest. Let light eternal shine on them with thy saints forever, for thou art merciful. Rest eternal grant them, O Lord. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death, on that fearful day when the heavens and the earth are moved. Give them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.)

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (NRSV)

Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children's children, may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Mark 12:28-34 (NRSV)

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" ²⁹Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." ³²Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; ³³and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,' —this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." ³⁴When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.