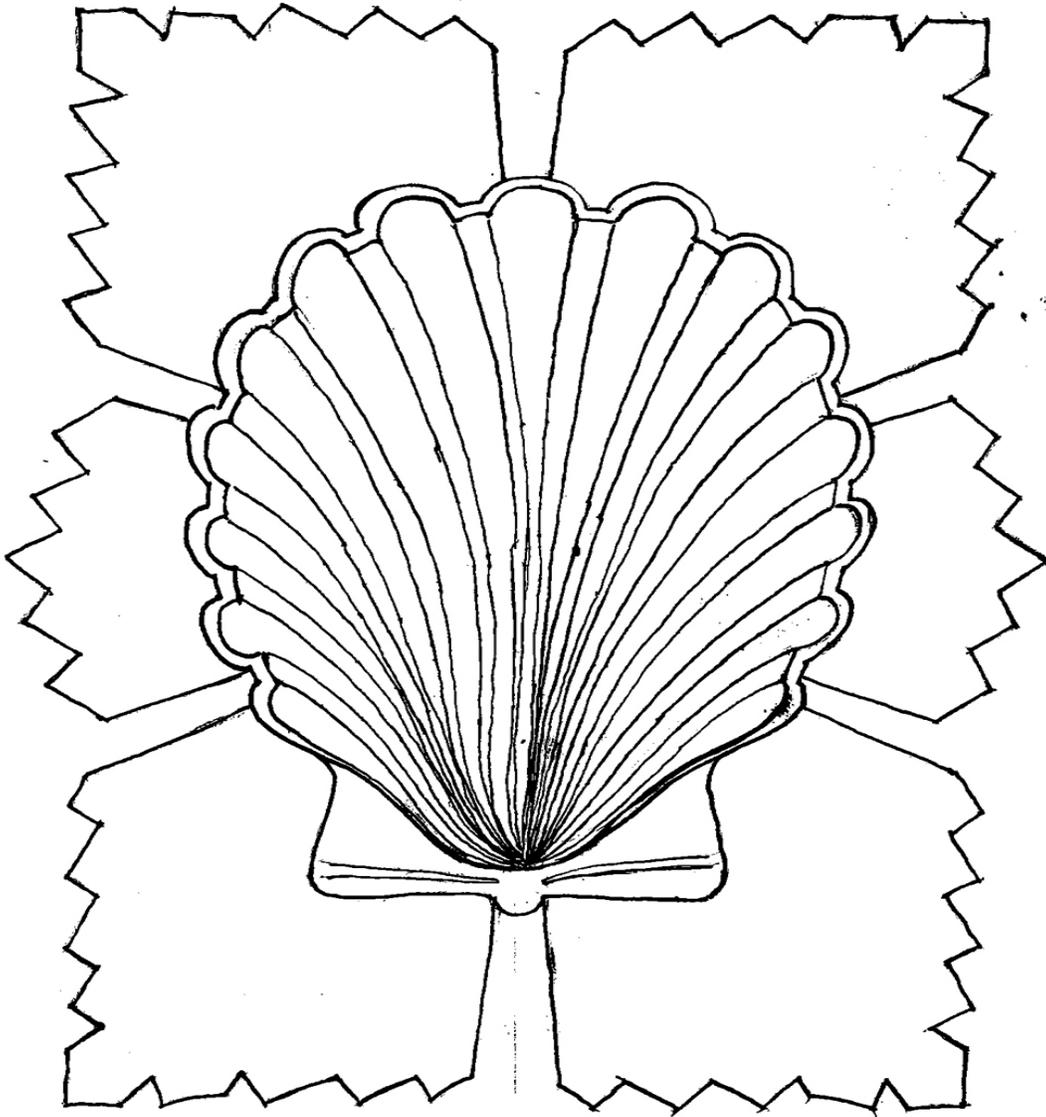


# First Presbyterian Church

June 20, 2021

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



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*Serving Christ from the heart of the city to the ends  
of the earth with love, faith and action.*

# We Gather in God's Presence

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*"Gavotte en Rondeau from Partita No. 3"*

J. S. Bach

Carol Chung, Violin

Call to Worship

I lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence does my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth!**

Hymn

["Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"](#)

No. 1

Prayer of Confession

Laurie Taylor Weicher

**Merciful God, forgive us for calling you "Lord" and then giving our allegiance to gods which cannot save us. Forgive us for trusting in ourselves, when you alone are our strength and shield. Make us aware of our dependence upon you, that we might discover the joy of resting in your divine grace, through Christ our Lord. And now hear our particular confessions, offered in silence, trusting in your mercy..**

**Kyrie | Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Pardon

Friends in Christ, in response to this gift of God's grace, how then shall we live?

**With gratitude, following after the Lord Jesus Christ, who calls us to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.**

This is the way of Jesus, in whom we find life!

**\*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.**

## We Celebrate our Life Together

Sacrament of Baptism

Julianne Denison Clark

Response to Baptism

**"Jesus, Friend, so kind and gentle, little ones we bring to Thee; Grant to them Thy dearest blessing, Let Thine arms around them be. Now enfold them in Thy goodness, from all danger keep them free."**

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession 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.**

## Congregational Response to Prayer

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

### **We Listen to God's Word**

Moment for Children

Katy Schafer

Children ages 4-5th grade can leave for a LEGO lesson for the remainder of the service.

Pick up in Memorial Hall.

Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 7:7-9; I John 3:1-3

Sermon

"Security in an Insecure World"

Ed McLeod

### **We Respond to God's Word**

Hymn

["A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"](#)

No. 275

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 at 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.

An Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*"Come, Thou Fount"*

arr. Molly Ijames

Carol Chung, Violin

\*Doxology | Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above; ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

### **We Bear God's Word into the World**

Hymn

["Give to the Winds Thy Fears"](#)

No. 815

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in Your Spirit, strong and true, our lives may be our gift to you.

Postlude

*"Toccata in B Minor"*

Eugène Gigout

Today's acolyte is Avery Thaxton.

The Chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given in loving memory of our fathers, Louis Kalmar and Gunnard Johnson, by Karen and Albin Johnson.