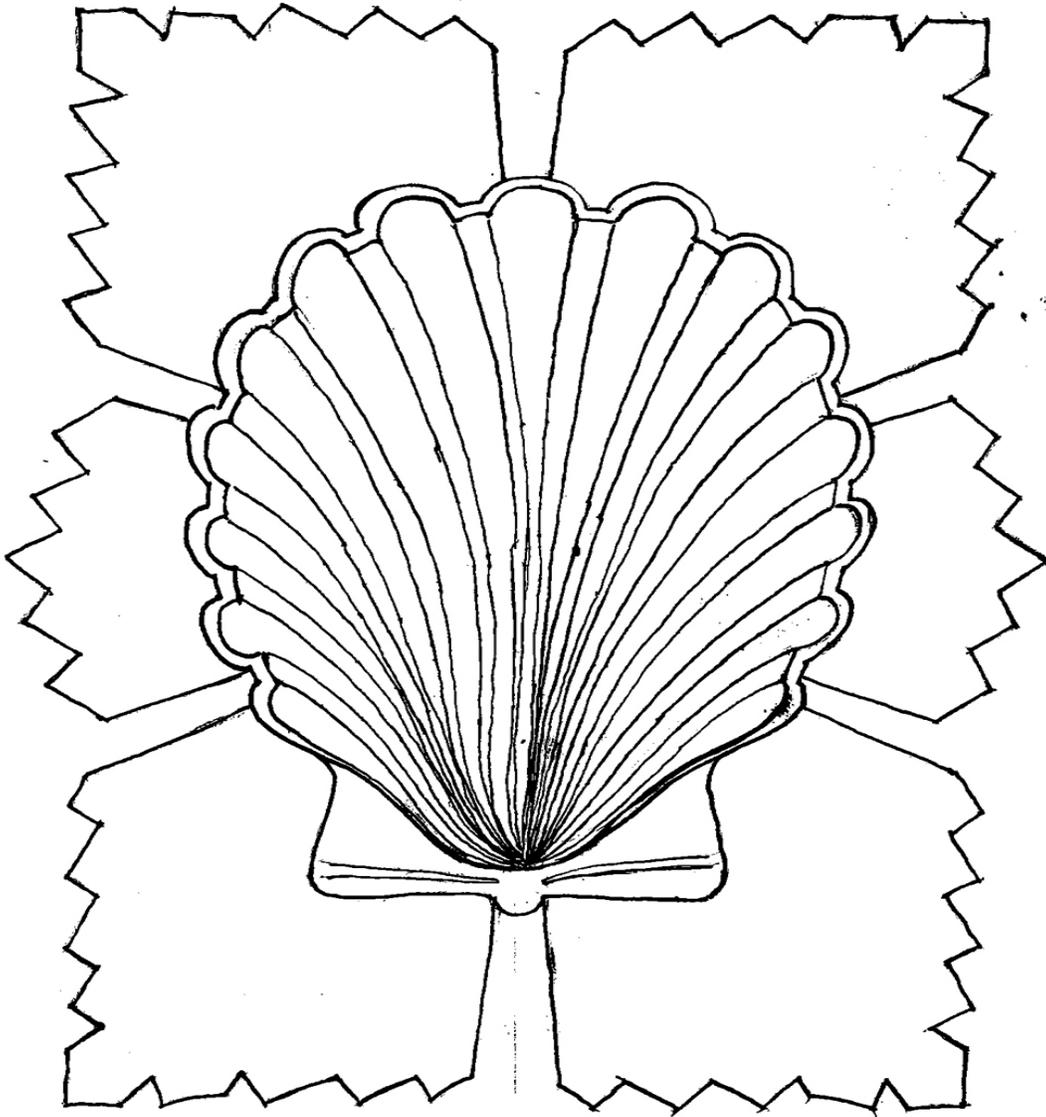


# First Presbyterian Church

June 6, 2021

Second 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

*"Organ Sonata no. 2 (op. 65, no. 2)"*

Felix Mendelssohn

Call to Worship

We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole hearts.

**Let your name and word be exalted above all things as we worship you.**

\*Hymn

["Great God of Every Blessing"](#)

No. 694

Prayer of Confession

Judy Pidcock

**We say that nothing is impossible with you, Great God, but then live with a narrow vision of your love and your power. Instead of heeding your call to obedience, we seek to forge our own path. Instead of serving you with joy, we find excuses for not loving our neighbor. Restore our relationship with you, Mighty God, and equip us for the walk of faith. We make these confessions before you and offer our personal prayers in silence now.**

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 (11:00)

Edward Sawyer Finley

Response to Baptism (11:00)

**"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

Ed McLeod

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

Scripture Reading

Mark 4:30-32, 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Sermon

"Seeing Differently"

Laurie Taylor Weicher

## We Respond to God's Word

\*Hymn

["O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"](#)

No. 833

\*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

(8:30) Crown Him with Many Crowns

George Elvey

Sloan Wagner, Piano

(11:00) God is my Shepherd

Antonin Dvorak

Andy Eaton, Baritone

\*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!

## We Bear God's Word into the World

\*Hymn

["Be Thou My Vision"](#)

No. 450

\*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

"Organ Sonata no. 2 (op. 65, no. 2)"

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\*All those who are able may stand.

Today's acolyte is Luke Poisson.

The Chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by John and Bill Pridgen, together with their families, in loving memory of their mother, Virginia Easley Pridgen.