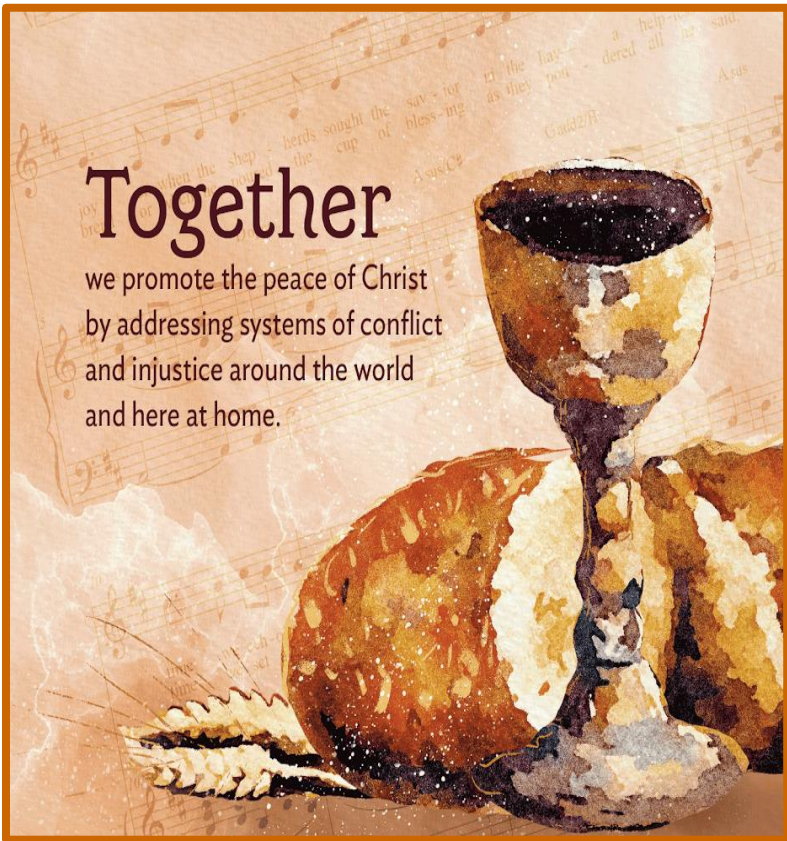


First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio

October 6, 2024

10:30 a.m.

## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



# Together

we promote the peace of Christ  
by addressing systems of conflict  
and injustice around the world  
and here at home.

Worship will be live streamed on  
**Facebook:** First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio  
**You Tube:** [www.youtube.com/FPCSALEM](http://www.youtube.com/FPCSALEM); and  
our website, [www.fpcsaalem.org](http://www.fpcsaalem.org).

*"We are centered in Christ and powered by love."*

## WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

### PRELUDE

*O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*  
*Prelude in G Major*

*Dale Wood*  
*Felix Mendelssohn*

*Let us silently turn our hearts, minds, and  
bodies to the worship of God as the  
light of Christ is brought forward.*

### PRELUDE

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

*Janet Linker*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please take a moment to sign and pass the Attendance Pad.*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Unison*)

"The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"** (*Psalm 27:1*)

**Let us worship God.**

### \*HYMN 507

*I Come with Joy*

### \*INVITATION TO CONFESSION

"Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!' Your face, LORD, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me." (*Psalm 27:7-9*) Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

**All Loving God, You reveal Your goodness in the dynamic wonder of creation, in the texts of holy scripture, and in the mystery of Christ's incarnation and resurrection. We confess that, in our sin, we have turned away from the earth, looking**

not for Your glory but our gain. We have not followed the guidance nor obeyed the commands of Your word. We have not trusted the good news of the Gospel to be truly good. Forgive us, according to Your mercy. Cleanse us from being wrong-headed and wrong-hearted. Unite us with the faithful communion of saints who know, trust and love You by the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of the Risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*(Moments of Silent Prayer)*

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard the sound of my pleadings.

**The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts...”** *(Psalm 28:6-7b)*

Believe the Good News!

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*GLORIA PATRI *(Unison; Hymn 579)*

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.

THE WORD OF GOD AMONG US

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God of surprises, You are not bound by what we expect, nor limited by what we can understand. By the Holy Spirit, draw us into the mystery of Your powerful love, revealed in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

*Acts 2:32-36*

<sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. <sup>33</sup> Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has

poured out this that you both see and hear. <sup>34</sup> For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup> until I make your enemies your footstool." ' <sup>36</sup> Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

This is the Word of the LORD!

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*Celtic Communion*

*The Haviland Choir*

*Mark Hayes*

*Cheryl McDevitt, Flute*

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Bread of the World in mercy broken,  
Wine of the Soul in mercy shed,  
by whom the words of life were spoken,  
and in Whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken;  
Look on the tears by sinners shed;  
And be Your feast to us the token  
that by Your grace our souls are fed!

Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, One in Three;  
Christ above me, Christ beneath me,  
Christ within me, Three in One. Amen.

THE GOSPEL READING

*John 20:19-23*

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with

you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

This is the Gospel of the LORD!

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

*“Centered in Christ, Powered by the Holy Spirit”*

*Rev. Dr. Frank Lewis*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD IN OUR LIVES

\*HYMN 316

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Unison; The Apostles’ Creed*)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day He rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

WORLD COMMUNION CONNECTION

*Grace Seefeldt*

CALL TO OFFERING / OFFERTORY

*Offertory in E Flat*

*Theodore Dubois*

*Loose Cash Offering today will go to the Board of Deacons.  
Peace and Global Witness Offering envelopes  
are in the Pew Racks.*

\*RESPONSE HYMN 592 (*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*)

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Unison*)

**Almighty God, we join our voices with all the generations of Your people, and with those in every nation under heaven to praise You for the gifts of life, faith and love. May we be united in Christ. Help us to share hope that comes from trusting in the coming of Your peaceable Kingdom. Amen.**

### GOD'S WORD IS SEALED

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*All who seek the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ  
are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *including* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION /  
THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sins*)

The Lord be with you. / **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. / **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

Then in the fullness of time,  
out of your great love for the world,  
you sent your only Son to be one of us,  
to redeem us and heal our brokenness.

Therefore we praise you,  
joining our voices with choirs of angels,  
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,  
and with all the faithful of every time and place,  
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,  
we take from your creation this bread and this wine  
and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising,  
as we await the day of his coming.  
With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you  
to be a living and holy sacrifice,  
dedicated to your service.

According to his commandment:

**We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

**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 sins, as we  
forgive those who sin against us. 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 SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*The bread and the cup will be received by coming forward and given  
a piece of bread, taking the cup, and returning the cup to a tray. If  
you cannot come forward, you will be served in the pew.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*Unison*)

**Gracious God, you have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service. Transfigure us by your Spirit, and let your love shine in all we do and say, so that the world may see the light of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WE ENTER THE WORLD AS GOD'S PEOPLE

\*HYMN 440

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*The Haviland Choir*

*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

*Bradley Ellingboe*

*Cheryl McDevitt, Flute*

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Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.  
Jesus lives again earth can breathe again  
pass the word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express.  
Jesus lives again earth can breathe again  
pass the word around: loaves abound!

Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) everywhere!  
Jesus lives again earth can breathe again  
pass the word around: loaves abound!



*Please remain standing as the Light of Christ  
is carried into the world.*

POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune*

*Robert Hebble*

\*Please stand if you are able.

**Question for thought:**

How do you show that Christ is the center of your life?

**Head Ushers:** Wanda Navoyosky, Sandy Quinn

**Liturgist:** Rev. Trina Lewis

**Lightbearer:** Knox Tonkinson

**Bulletins and Flowers** have been given by Lucy Works in memory of Lucy B. Works' 86<sup>th</sup> Birthday on October 8.

**Flowers** have been given in honor of Mary Bryan's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday given by her family, and by Margaret Winch in honor of Peter's birthday and Anne Janavitz.

**Café Justo's great Organic Coffee we serve every Sunday during Coffee Hour is for sale today in Fellowship Hall!** Cost is \$12.00 for a 1-pound bag of regular, decaf, or whole bean coffee. Cooperative members own the entire business from the growing through the roasting, and the coffee is famous for its smooth taste and low acidity. It is Organic certified and has a Fair Trade Plus certification.

Our ***Peace and Global Witness Offering*** enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. Envelopes are in the Pew Racks and at Sanctuary entrances. To date, we have received \$ 910. towards our goal of \$2500. The Christina House will receive 25% share of this offering.

**SOCK-TOBER:** The Congregational Care Committee is asking church members to bring socks to church during the Sundays in October. Any kind of socks are welcome. Baskets for your donations are at Sanctuary entrances and in Fellowship Hall.

**Troop 3 B** is having a recruiting drive seeking adult leaders and young persons, ages 11-18. Qualifications: adherence to the Scout Oath and Law, a love of adventure, learning and teamwork. Perks: a world-class team, adventure, and learning amazing things. For more information, see Mark Smith or Frank Lewis.

**Preschool Supplies Needed** – Clorox Wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Facial Tissues, Markers, Fruit and Vegetable Cups, Granola and Cereal Bars. The Preschool will appreciate it very much if anyone can donate any of these items.

**Preschool Ongoing Fundraiser – Little Critters Soda from Kast Iron**  
Root Beer, Orange, Black Cherry, and Blue Raspberry  
1 bottle for \$3.00 or 2 bottles for \$5.00.

**A 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration** will be held today from 1:00-3:00 for Mary Bryan in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited!

**Frank will start a new Tai Chi class**, Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning Monday, October 7, from 10:00 to 11:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. The class is free and open to all, especially beginners. It focuses on balance and fall prevention.

Charity Ricciardi (*Carol Ricciardi's daughter-in-law*)  
Roselyn Stephens  
Special Care and Military / Pastor Search Committee

### Vision Statement

*To glorify God and share the Spirit and love of Christ  
with our community and the world.*

Sunday, October 6

1:00-3:00 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party for Mary Bryan (FH) – *All are invited!*

6:00 Cub Scouts (B)

Monday, October 7

10:00-11:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)

6:30 Troops 3 and 2003G (B / 209)

**7:00 Board of Deacons (L)**

Tuesday, October 8

**8:30 am Investment Committee** *via Zoom*

Wednesday, October 9

10:00-11:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)

6:15 Carillon Ringers (200)

7:00 Haviland Choir (S)

Thursday, October 10

5:00 SHS Tennis Team Banquet (FH/K)

**5:30 Preschool Board of Trustees (L)**

**7:00 Finance and Administration Committee** *via Zoom*

Sunday, October 13

9:00 Adult Church School Class (Library) / Confirmation (209)

10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)

10:30 Service of Worship

**Gratitude Reception for Frank and Trina after Worship (FH)**

6:00 Cub Scouts (B)

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