## ORDER OF SERVICE World Communion Sunday

## October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

## **Announcements & Affirmation of Community**

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Prelude** "The Secret"

By Dr. Adrian Carr, from the album 11.

**Silent Reflection Time** 

**Choral Introit** "Shall We Gather At the River"

Words & Music by Robert L. Lowry

Call to Worship See P&GW Insert: "A Psalm of Peacemaking"

\*Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" #307

**Call to Confession** 

## **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you have called us to live in sincere faith and to suffer for the gospel. We confess that we do not come before you with a clear conscience. Our faith is clouded by sin and uncertainty. We shrink from your call to live sacrificially on behalf of others. Too quickly, we seek our own ease and comfort first. We confess that in our own lives, and in the church, we rely on our power rather than yours.

Forgive us, we pray, for we are fractured and fearful disciples. Take away from us a spirit of cowardice, and restore us the spirit of power rightly used, of love unconditionally offered, and of self-discipline gracefully lived. In new mercy, forgive us and increase our faith, that we may be faithful servants at your table. In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.** (Silent Prayer)

### **Assurance of Pardon**

\*Gloria Patri #581

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.

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

First Reading Psalm 37:1-9 pg. 510

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

**Choral Anthem** "Walk With Me"

Words & Music by John S. Rice

Leader: The Word of the Lord for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:1–14 pg. 211-212

**Sermon** "Rekindle the Gift of God" Rev. Tim Luoma

**Silent Reflection Time** 

\*Hymn "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" #435

## **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

**Offertory Invitation** 

**Offertory** "God of the Sparrow"

Text by Jaroslav Vajda, Music by Carl Schalk

\*Doxology #606

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 Thanksgiving/Dedication

Lord, your steadfast love never ceases; your mercies never come to an end. Use these gifts, we pray, that through them your compassion may be known. **Amen.** 

#### Communion

## **Affirmation of Faith**

See Insert

## **Prayers of the People**

## 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 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.

**Prayer Response** 

"Prayers of the People"

Matthew 6:10,

Music by Bonnie Johansen-Werner

\*Hymn

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

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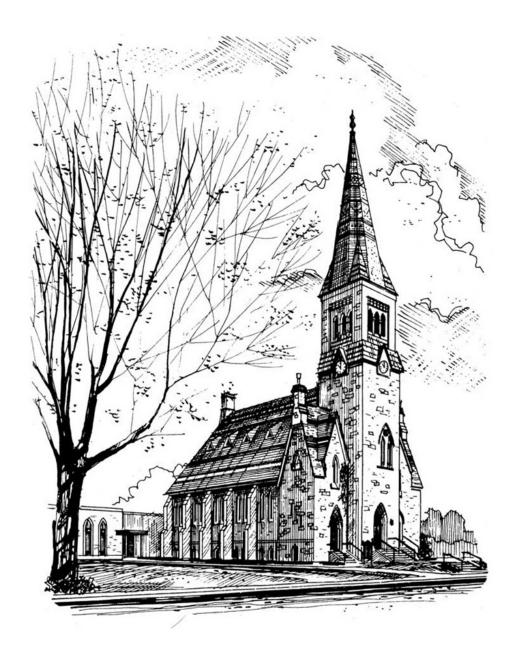
\*Benediction

**Benediction Response** 

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"
Words by Jeremiah Eames Rankin,
Music by Ralph Vaugn Williams

## **Postlude**

All are asked to remain seated for the postlude.



## The First Presbyterian Church

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## Happy Birthday!

Dianne Root	10/5	Julie Brunell	10/13
Jennie Booth	10/13	Joshua Burgin	10/17
Vicki Washburn	10/22	Benjamin Pomerance	10/24
Nancy Odnoha	10/27	Pamela Deeb	10/29
Andrew Baker	10/30	Jim Ashe	10/30
Jonathan Mulholland	10/30	Kenneth Hausrath	10/30
Kerry Haley	10/30		

## Fall Cleanup

On Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, the Building & Grounds Committee is coordinating a Fall Cleanup Day from 9am – noon. The committee will supply the materials, tools and instructions. If you are unable to attend on Saturday but wish to help, contact Bill Merrill.

## The cleanup will consist of the following:

- · Put winter covers on room air conditioners.
- · Verifying ice melt and snow shovels are at church entrances.
- · Weeding and raking the east and west lawns and the front gardens.
- · Clean out grates for rainwater exterior drains
- · Cleaning the ceiling light covers for the Education Building and Fellowship Hall hallway.
- · Organizing and cleaning the garage.
- · Closing the windows in the choir loft.
- · Flat roof inspections for the Education Building and Garage.
- · Installing hooks for Holiday decorations in Fellowship Hall.
- $\cdot$  Washing windows for the east and west glass door entrances and Education Building windows.
- · Verifying the emergency exit signs and lights in the classrooms are working. (Location of lights to be provided.)

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Dr. Adrian Carr
CLERK OF SESSION: Judy Bunnell
CO-MODERATORS OF DEACONS: Karen Merrill & Dianne Root
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Sadie Prinsen
SEXTON: Sally Ann Blow

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## PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK of October 5th, 2025

Keith Porter
Tony & Maria Poveda
Tom & Keryn Rafferty
Stan & Chris Ransom

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

Matt Burgin and family
Barbara Thompson
John Mazur
Joy Mazur
Nancy Olsen
Tish Landis
Morgan Dupell

Marj & Terry Harmon

## **JOYS**

Eusung & Olivia Choe welcomed daughter Lily Evangeline on 9/25/25.

This Sunday we thank:

WORSHIP LEADER: Rob Meisenheimer

**USHERS:** Terri Mahoney

FELLOWSHIP: Terri M. & Julie B. ZOOM COORDINATOR: Carl Payne

Oct 12- Karen Merrill Oct 19- Kerry Haley	Oct 12- Karen Merrill & Carol Czaja Oct 19-
Ushers	Zoom Coordinators
Oct 12- Donna Hanrahan	Oct 12- Jennie Booth

Worship Leaders

Oct 19- Bill & Kerry Haley

Fellowship time

Oct 19- Jim Snook

## Fellowship Time

Hosts are needed for fellowship time. Please consider stepping up and signing up. If you would like to host *Fellowship Time*, please sign up in Fellowship Hall or by contacting the church office via phone at 518-561-3140 or by e-mail at office@presbyplatt.org

## **Peace and Global Witness Offering**

Today we are receiving the Peace and Global Witness offering. Congregations retain 25% of this offering for local peacemaking ministries. By the recommendation of your Local Mission Council and with Session's approval, our share will help address food insecurity in our community by supporting the Community Meal Program at Trinity Episcopal Church and the Plattsburgh Interfaith Food Shelf at Plattsburgh United Methodist Church. For both the Community Meal Program and the Interfaith Food Shelf, usage has continued to increase as have food costs, plus there are additional expenses for take out food packaging.

## Choir

Choir is back in session, and we are always looking for new members. Please feel welcome to join us at 6pm on Thursdays and before worship on Sunday mornings and bless us with your gifts of music!

## **Community Meal of Trinity Church**

The Community Meal of Trinity Church is starting back up on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 3pm-6pm. They are currently looking for volunteers to help prep and serve meals. This is an excellent opportunity to serve and support one another in our community. Volunteer times are Thursdays Noon-3pm for prep and 3-6pm for service and cleanup. For information on volunteering, email them at <a href="mailto:trinitycommunitymeal@gmail.com">trinitycommunitymeal@gmail.com</a>

Sunday, Oct 5:	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:00 am	Choir Practice Adult Church School Worship Service
Tuesday, Oct 7:	10:30 am Noon	Bible Study AA Meeting
Wednesday, Oct 8:	1:30 pm 5:30pm 7:00 pm	Parkinsons Support Group Finance Committee Meeting Plattsburgh Table Tennis
Thursday, Oct 9:	9:15 am Noon 6:00 pm	Quilting Group AA Meeting Choir
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