

## **WELCOME TO**

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MORNING WORSHIP

### First Presbyterian Church Worship September 24, 2023

Welcome! Here at First Presbyterian Church, Masks are Optional

- Prelude Dearest Jesus We are Here





- Call to Worship (inspired by Matthew 5:13-20)

Leader: We are called to share the good news that God loves the world.

All: We are the salt of the earth.

We are called to share the hope that God gives us new life.

All: We are the salt of the earth.

Leader: We are called to follow the commandments and the law:

All: To love God and to love one another.

Leader: Let us be the salt of the earth, and the light of the world.

All: Let us worship God!

- Hymn # 498 / Love to Tell the Story

#### - Time for Reconciliation

Leader: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.

# All: Cleanse our hearts and minds, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may better love you.

Leader: We are witnesses of your grace and glory, but we too often allow others to silence our praise.

## All: Through your grace, free us from shame. Illuminate our souls, so that we may shine your light for the world.

Leader: We pause now for a moment of Silent Confession, and gratitude for God's grace.

#### **Moment of Silent Confession and Gratitude**

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, join me in proclaiming the good news of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, all are forgiven!

### - Response: 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.

- Passing of the peace
- Choir Anthem African Psalm

Arr. From Kenyan folksong by Patrick Liebergen

- Kids Time
- Blessing & Celebration with our Sudanese Sister Church
- Moment for Mission: Raissa D'Antonio from F.I.S.H.
- Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:13-16

13 [Jesus said], "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

- Sermon: Take This With A Grain Of Salt
- **Hymn # 715** Lord, You Give the Great Commission Versus 1, 2 and 5
- Offering
- Doxology
- Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
- Hymn # 697 In Christ There is No East or West
- Benediction
- Postlude Trumpet Tune Boyce

