



**WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP**

First Presbyterian Church
Worship July 7, 2024
Welcome!

- **Prelude** *This is My Father's World* Jordan

- **Welcome, Announcements, and Invitations**

- **Call to Worship** Winnie Findley, Liturgist

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!

All: With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news of God's love.

Leader: Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming love.

All: God has poured such wonder into our lives!

Leader: Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and voices!

All: Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to the heavens!

- **Hymn # 418** *America the Beautiful*

- **Time for Reconciliation**

Leader: Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be.

All: You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways...

Leader: ... in wasting your gifts

All: ... in forgetting your love.

Leader: By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways,

All: for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Leader: We pause for a moment of silence, to privately confess our sins to God, and to forgive those who have sinned against us.

Moment of Silent Confession

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, all are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

- **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**

- **Kids Time** Pastor Matt



- **Scripture Reading:** Mark 12:12-17

When the Pharisees realized that Jesus had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

13 Then they sent to him some Pharisees and some Herodians to trap him in what he said. 14 And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality but teach the way of God in accordance with truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not? 15 Should we pay them, or should we not?" But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, "Why are you putting me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me see it." 16 And they brought one. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" They answered, "Caesar's." 17 Jesus said to them, "**Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.**" And they were utterly amazed at him.

- **Sermon:** **I'm in a Voluntative Optative Mood**

- **Special Music:** *God Bless America*
Pat Peacock, soloist

- **Hymn # 776** *Let Us Break Bread Together*

- **Offering** *I Vow to Thee, My Country*
Max Norvell, soloist



- **Doxology**

- **Lord's Supper**

- Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

- **Hymn # 417** *My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

- **Benediction**

- **Postlude** *Star Spangled Banner* Callahan