



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF  
**KIRKWOOD**

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

November 10, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

The 25th Sunday after Pentecost

***Mission:** We are called to be a welcoming and supportive community whose inspiring worship of God encourages everyone to deepen their faith and to respond to the needs of the world with the compassion of Christ.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

\_\_\_\_\_ **\*Please rise in body or spirit.** \_\_\_\_\_

### Chiming of the Hour

We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship at this time.

### Welcome and Announcements

Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor.

### Organ Voluntary

"Elegy"

George Thalben-Ball

## WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Lift up your eyes to the hills—where does our help come from?

**People: Our help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: In times of uncertainty and division, God is our keeper, watching over us day and night.

**People: We come to worship the One who guards our lives and guides our steps.**

Leader: Come, let us place our trust in God's unfailing love.

**People: We gather to worship and lift our hearts to the Lord, our refuge and strength!**

**\*Hymn**

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Hymn #367

**\*Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

**Gracious God, we come before You acknowledging the ways we have fallen short. We confess that we have put our trust in worldly powers, placing our hope in leaders and systems that cannot fulfill us. We have allowed division and fear to shape our hearts, forgetting that You alone are our source of peace and justice. Forgive us for our lack of faith and for the ways we have failed to love one another as You have called us to. Renew us with Your mercy, and guide us to walk in the ways of grace and truth.**

**\*Silent Confessions**

**\*Assurance of God's Grace**

**\*Congregational Response**

"We Are Forgiven"

Hymn #447

*We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!*

**\*The Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 121; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 571

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

"The Pure in Heart"

Patrick Hawes

*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.*

**Scripture Reading**

1 Kings 17: 8-16; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 324

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

*Where is our trust?*

Rev'd. Gary Noonan

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Joys and Concerns of the Congregation**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offertory Sentences**

## Offertory Anthem

"Lord of the Small"

text: Johanna Anderson  
music: Dan Forrest

*Praise to the Lord of the small, broken things, who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing, who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street, who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet. Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid, who girds them with courage and lends them His aid; He pours out His Spirit on vessels so weak that the timid can serve and the silent can speak. Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill, who heals their afflictions or carries them till they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly, to never be sick, and never to die. Praise Him, O praise Him, all ye who yet live, who've been given so much and can so little give, our frail, lisping praise God will never despise. He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.*

## Prayer of Dedication

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*All are invited to celebrate Communion. The bread is gluten-free to ensure that all are welcome to the table.*

## Sacrament of Holy Communion

### Invitation to the Table

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God

**People: They will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.**

Leader: This is the Lord's table and all are welcome

**People: Come, taste and see that the Lord is good.**

## The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Leader: It is indeed right...Therefore, we join our voices with all the faithful of every time and place, with the choirs of angels, and all creation to sing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

**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.**

## Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

**Communion Hymns**      "I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes"      Hymn #45  
   "I Come with Joy"      Hymn #515

## Prayer Of Commitment (Unison)

**Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which  
You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the  
world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

**\*Closing Hymn**      "For the Fruit of All Creation"      Hymn #36

## \*Benediction

**Choral Response**      "Go Forth for God"      Kenneth Dake  
*Go forth for God, go to the world in peace. Go forth for God, go to the world with love.*

**Organ Voluntary**      "A Rejoicing"      Alfred Fedak

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### **Worship Leaders:**

Rev'd. Gary Noonan, *Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Linda Maconochie, *Interim Associate Pastor*

### **Music Ministry:**

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*; Kevin Chunko, *Music Associate*; Chancel Choir

**Acolyte:** Dagny Dunaway      **Cross Bearer:** William Auer

### **Communion Servers:**

Ann Bronson, Julie Grant, Peter Hurd, Casey and Dave Mackenzie, Lindsay Marting

### **Ushers:**

Pam Cooper, Jim Cooper, Charlene McFarland,  
Terry McFarland, Wayne Ullery  
Amy Freshwater, Robert Schneider, Larry Erwin, *Assistant Usher Captains*  
Art McDonnell, *Usher Captain*

**Livestream Host:** Gerald DeWulf