



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF  
**KIRKWOOD**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
October 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.  
Reformation Sunday

**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.

**Matthew 6:21**

*For where your  
treasure is, there will  
your heart be also.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

“Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott”

Johann N. Hanff

## WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, let us gather as one body, united in faith and purpose.

**People: We come to worship God, who calls us to build a legacy of love and generosity.**

Leader: Where our treasure is, there our hearts will be also.

**People: Let our hearts be set on God's kingdom, as we give, serve, and grow together.**

Leader: Together, we can build a future that is bigger than the past.

**People: Let us worship God with open hearts and hands, ready to share God's grace with the world!**

### **\* Processional Hymn**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Hymn #275

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

**Gracious God, we confess that we have often stored up treasures on earth, placing our trust in things that fade away. We cling to what is comfortable, forgetting that You call us to lives of generosity and grace. Forgive us for the times we have been more concerned with ourselves than with Your kingdom. Open our hearts to the ways we can give, serve, and love more fully. Help us to place our trust in You, knowing that where our treasure is, there our hearts will be also.**

### **\*Silent Confessions**

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

**\*Congregational Response**

"We Are Forgiven"  
*We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!*

Hymn #447

**\*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.

**A Moment for Stewardship**

Kurt Wunderlich

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 112:1-6; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 563

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

"A Place in the Choir"

Bill Staines

*All God's critters got a place in the choir. Some sing low, some sing higher, some sing out loud on the telephone wire, and some just clap their hands, or paws, or anything they got now. Listen to the bass, it's the one on the bottom where the bullfrog croaks and the hippopotamus moans and groans with a big to-do, and the old cow just goes "Moo!". The dogs and the cats they take up the middle while the honeybee hums and the cricket fiddles, the donkey brays and the pony neighs and the old coyote howls. Listen to the top where the little birds sing on the melodies with the high notes ringing. The hoot owl hollers over everything and the jaybird disagrees!*

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 6:19-21; Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

*Where is our treasure?*  
Rev'd. Gary Noonan

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn**

"Alleluia! Laud and Blessing"

Hymn #755

**Pastoral Prayer**

**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.**

## Offertory Sentences

**Offertory Anthem**                      "Treasures in Heaven"                      Joseph Clokey  
*Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Ask, and it shall be given you. Seek, and ye shall find. Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that asketh receiveth, and they that seeketh findeth, and to them that knocketh it shall be opened.*

## Prayer of Dedication

### WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

**\*Closing Hymn**                      "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"                      Hymn #305

## \*Benediction

**Choral Response**                      "Shalom"                      traditional Hebrew blessing  
*Shalom, dear friends, shalom. We'll see you again, shalom.*

**Organ Voluntary**                      "Toccata" (Suite Gothique)                      Leon Boëllmann

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### **Worship Leaders:**

Rev'd. Gary Noonan, *Senior Pastor*  
Cecil Wood, *Liturgist*

### **Music Ministry:**

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*; Kevin Chunko, *Music Associate*;  
Lori Wehrman, *Cherub Director*; Chancel Choir; Choristers; Cherubs

**Acolyte:** Alice Butler                      **Cross Bearer:** George Dunaway

### **Ushers:**

Mark McLean, Carolyn Sproull, Julie Jackson, Ven Houts

**Assistant Head Ushers:** Robert Schneider, Art McDonnell

**Usher Captain:** Amy Freshwater

**Livestream Host:** Gerald DeWulf