First Presbyterian Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, October 25, 2015

8:30am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ

who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE "Amazing Grace" Soloist: Nancy Klimcheck

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL (Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 13

Leader: But I trusted in Your steadfast love; My heart shall rejoice in Your salvation.

People: I will sing to the Lord, because He has dealt bountifully with me.

*HYMN "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" No. 260

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God of laughter and giver of joy to our souls, we praise you this morning for your love and care. You provide us with a life that is joyful based upon your great sacrifice. We enter into a covenant with you with thanksgiving, not dread. Forgive us for turning to you out of fear or guilt. Show us that the way of your salvation leads through a joy that can only overwhelm our existence. Through Jesus our Savior we pray, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE: [Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Carol McComsey

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

John 16:20-24 (NT p110)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21:1-7 (OT p 16)

SERMON GENESIS SERIES Rev. Robert Bronkema

"God's Laughter"

*HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" No. 420

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Soloist: Nancy Klimcheck

"Surely the Presence of the Lord Is In This Place" - Wolfe

*DOXOLOGY

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.

*HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" No 442

*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*POSTLUDE

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## 11:00am

**Greeting & Announcements** 

| *Praise & Worship Today is The Day Hosanna (Praise Is Rising) Revelation Song |
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| Prayer & Peace                                                                |
| Children's Message: Carol McComsey                                            |
| Scripture Readings  John 16:20-24; Genesis 21:1-7                             |
| Sermon: "God's Laughter"                                                      |
| *Offering/Closing Song King of Heaven                                         |
| *Benediction                                                                  |
| Sermon Notes:                                                                 |
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