

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, July 1, 2018

8:30 & 11:00am

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 "Prelude on 'St. Christopher' (Beneath the Cross of Jesus)" – Southbridge
"Jesus in the Morning" – arr. Colvin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord all nations; praise God everyone

People: For God's merciful kindness is great toward us

Leader: If the Son of Man makes you free, you are free indeed

ALL: Let us Praise the Lord!

* HYMN "My Country 'Tis of Thee" No. 561

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Almighty God, we thank You and praise You for Your reconciling love that sets us free from the bondage of sin. We confess that while we hope for a permanent place in Your household, despite our best efforts we constantly return to bondage. Forgive us for not understanding how to live consistently as Your free people. Open our hearts and minds to Your word and Your Spirit so we can learn how to live free indeed. We pray in the name of Your Son who has made our freedom possible, Jesus Christ. 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 Ali Elias
(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Leviticus 25:8-12a (OT p112)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 8:31-36 (NT p101)

SERMON "Let Freedom Ring" Rev. David Drain

*HYMN "I Come with Joy" No. 507

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "May the Mind of Christ" – arr. Schrader

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (pg. 16 in the hymnal)

Welcome

Words of Institution

Distribution

**[As you come forward, the leaders will offer the bread with words such as,
"The body of Christ for you"; and the cup with words such as, "The blood of Christ for you."
As you receive these gifts, you may simply respond with, "Amen" –
in this way you acknowledge the bread and cup as God's gifts to you through Jesus Christ.]*

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Allegro Maestoso" from "Water Music"– Handel

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

*Praise & Worship

*Your Grace Is Enough
God With Us
How He Loves*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Ali Elias

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Scripture Reading

Leviticus 25:8-12a; John 8:31-36

Sermon

"Let Freedom Ring"

Communion

*Offering/Closing Song

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

Next Week

Genesis 3:1-7

Romans 16:17-21

"You Can Never Be Too Careful"

