November 7, 2021

24th Sunday after Pentecost Remembrance Sunday

PRELUDE

Agnus Dei

Bach

2nd Movement from "Moonlight Sonata"

Beethoven

OPENING SENTENCES

Ps. 118:1; Ps. 149:1; Rev. 21:6

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Sing to the Lord a new song;

let all the faithful praise the Lord. Then the Lord said: "It is finished!"

Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+HYMN #751

"For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE

(all six verses)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Matt. 5:6

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God,

in every age you have raised up men and women

to live and die in faith.

We confess that we are indifferent to your will.

You call us to proclaim your name,

but we are silent.

You call us to do what is just,

but we remain idle.

You call us to live faithfully,

but we are afraid.

In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past,

who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Matt. 5:7

... we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN #379

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

AR HYD Y NOS

LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

Today we honor and remember saints and loved ones who entered into eternal glory between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021:

> Robert Baldus John Frank Davenport Fred Graham Jean Graham Jill Stephens, Larry White Nancy Whyte

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Luke 13:29; 24:30-31

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1 Cor. 11:23-26

COMMUNION

There's a Fountain

Traditional, arr. Bagrazyan

You will be invited to come forward to receive an individually pre-packaged juice cup with a wafer inside the lid. Return to your seat and we will share the elements together.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory, in this holy feast you have made us one with Christ and with that great multitude of the faithful those who hunger and thirst no more and worship night and day in your temple. Lead us in the paths of righteousness and guide us to the springs of the water of life, until we join the choir of the redeemed, singing: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Heb. 13:16

OFFERTORY Prelude in D-flat Major "Raindrops" Chopin

+RESPONSE #809 Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

PSALM

Psalm 127

Unless the LORD builds the house. their labor is in vain who build it.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, in vain the sentinel keeps vigil.

It is in vain to rise so early and go to bed so late; vain, too, to eat the bread of toil; for you, LORD, give sleep to your beloved.

Children are a heritage from the LORD, and the fruit of the womb is a gift.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth.

Happy is the one whose quiver is full of them! Such a one will not be put to shame when contending with enemies in the gate.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 9:24-28

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 12:38-44

Eph. 1:13

DARWALL

RESPONSE This is the word of truth.

the gospel of our salvation.

Thanks be to God.

"A Son Has Been Born to Naomi" **SERMON**

Rev. Bill Pinches

+**Hymn** #262

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

Rev. 1:8

... be with you now and always.

Amen.

+CHARGE

+BLESSING

Col. 3:17 ... giving thanks to God through him.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia **POSTLUDE**

Mozart

Join us for fellowship after worship in the Memorial Room.

SERVING US TODAY

Liturgist: Steve Sowles **Greeters:** Will Ozee and Steve Van Dyke

Sound and Livestream:

Marty Subject and Andrew Pinches

THE STUDY CATECHISM

Question 14. If God's love is powerful beyond measure, why is there so much evil in the world?

No one can say why, for evil is a terrible abyss beyond all rational explanation. Its ultimate origin is obscure. Its enormity perplexes us. Nevertheless, we boldly affirm that God's triumph over evil is certain. In Jesus Christ God suffers with us, knowing all our sorrows. In raising him from the dead, God gives new hope to the world. Our Lord Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is himself God's promise that suffering will come to an end, that death shall be no more, and that all things will be made new.

A PRAYER FOR GOVERNMENT LEADERS

O Lord, our governor, your glory shines throughout the world. We commend to your merciful care our nation, state, and community, that we may be guided by your providence. Give all in authority the wisdom and strength to know your will and to do it. Help them remember that they are called to serve the people as lovers of truth and justice; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CREDITS

Prayers and Psalm: *Book of Common Worship*, Office of Theology and Worship, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), © 2018 Westminster John Knox Press. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Other Scripture Readings: New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989 the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Music: "For All the Saints." Text by: William W. How, 1864, alt. Tune by: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906. Music used by permission of Oxford University Press. Used with permission, One License #A-717602. "For the Fruit of All Creation." Text by: Fred Pratt Green, 1970. Tune by: Traditional Welsh melody, c. 1784; harm. attr. Luther O. Emerson, 1906. Words © 1970 Hope Publishing Company. Used with permission, One License #A-717602. "Holy, Holy" (Sanctus); "Christ Has Died, Christ Is Risen" (Memorial Acclamation); "Amen". Text: traditional liturgical text. Tune by: Thomas Pavlechko, 2006. Music © 2006 Augsburg Fortress. Used with permission, One License #A-717602.

Art: *Ruth in Boaz's Field*. By Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld (1828). Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Julius_Schnorr_von_Carolsfeld-_Ruth_im_Feld_des_Boaz.jpg. Public domain.

The Study Catechism (Full Version): Approved by the 210th General Assembly (1998) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Mason First Presbyterian Church

131 E Maple St, Mason, MI 48854-1655 (517) 676-9333 info@masonpresbyterian.org www.masonpresbyterian.org Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00-11:30am

MINISTERS

All Members

STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Bill Pinches
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Charlie Herrick
Spiritual Growth Director: Lori Filka
Office Manager: Sheren Wright

Sanctuary Choir Director / Bell Choir Director: Deb Melse Choral Music Accompanist / Pianist: Hrant Bagrazyan Adult Spiritual Growth Coordinator: Michelle Mackey Child Care: Emme Koutz and Lucy Simons

ELDERS

Class of 2021: Lucinda Davenport, Ginnie Gibson, Tonya Seely.
Class of 2022: Jenny Bond, Ed Clarke, Debbie Shellenbarger, Gladys Welker.
Class of 2023: Bruce Archer, Tim Hammond, Mary Ozee, Steve Sowles.
Clerk: Bruce Archer.

DEACONS

Class of 2021: Ann Butler, Laurie McGonigal, Colin Pinches, Peg Shaub.
Class of 2022: Marge Clarke, Sandy Diehl, Linda Myall, Mari Nicol.
Class of 2023: Lisa Castle, Jay Harkness, Vern Schrock.
Moderators: Sandy Diehl and Mari Nicol.

WORSHIP

10:00 am on Sundays

DAILY PRAYER

search for "Daily Prayer (Presbyterian Book of Common Worship)" in your podcast app, or go to www.buzzsprout.com/1466482

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday	Jesus In Me Study	2:00 pm
Wednesday	Prayer Fellowship	12:00 pm
-	Worship and Music Committee	1:30 pm
	Wonderful Wednesday (children/youth)	4:00 pm
	Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:15 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thursday	Finance Committee	8:00 am
Friday	Church Office closed / Pastor's sabbath	

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Nick Trout	Oct. 5
Sarah Fay-Koutz	Oct. 6
Chloë Caltrider	Oct. 9
Kaitlyn Caltrider	Oct. 9

Mason First Presbyterian Church

November 7, 2021 24th Sunday after Pentecost Remembrance Sunday



Ruth in Boaz's Field by Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld (1828)

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26