



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY**



The ♥ of Ashland

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

17th Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2022

10:50 a.m.

✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Bill Pollack

Prelude

Max Jackson

Clothe Yourself, O Soul, With Gladness (hymnal #514)

J S Bach

Call to Worship

Kim Whitman

L: In Your presence we have come this morning.

P: We are thankful for Your invitation to worship You.

Leader: In Your presence we join with others around the world.

P: We gather at Your table that welcomes all to Your grace.

L: In Your presence we celebrate Your gift to the world.

P: We give praise for Your Son, Jesus, and His sacrifice.

L: In Your presence we are made new.

P: We celebrate with the world Your offer of life.

† **Hymn of Praise**

#54

Make a Joyful Noise to God

All creation sings Your praise! Great Your wonders here displayed,
Unexcelled throughout our days. Glorious is Your sacred Name,
Ages old, yet still the same.

Come and see what God has done, Great the blessings to the just:
Walked the chosen through the sea,
Brought their enemies to dust.

Let us lift a thankful voice for God's mercies and rejoice!

Bless the Lord, our refuge sure. Let our songs of praise be heard!
By whose justice, we are tried, By whose grace, our guilt deferred.
When our life's sure end shall come,
Bring us to Your heavenly home.

† **Call to Confession**

† Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, forgive us. We place our trust in things that are fleeting, rather than in You and the sure promises You offer. We focus on the things that are before us, getting bogged down in the mundane and the trials of the moment. We fail to remember to cast our eyes on You. Forgive our doubt, our lack of hope, our fear. Restore our hope in those things unseen by our eyes. Revitalize our faith. Renew our hearts that we might worship You fully. Redeem us so we can be a sign of Your love to others who doubt. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon

† Response

#551

Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

Children's Message

Lisa Stevens

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 17:8 – 16 (NRSV)

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be

emptied, and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵ She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 145

#42

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

Your faithfulness, O Lord, is sure in all Your words,
Your gracious deeds.

You gently lift all burdened souls and well provide all our needs.

The eyes of all are fixed on You;
by You their wants are all supplied.

Your open hand is bountiful and every soul is satisfied.

Lord, You are just in all Your ways and kind in everything You do.
Forever near You stand to hear and help those who call on You.

My mouth shall speak Your praise, O Lord;
my soul shall bless Your holy name.

Let all things living join the song of praise
from age to age the same.

† The Gospel Lesson

John 6:1 – 15 (NRSV)

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following Him because they saw the signs that He was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with His disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When He looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward Him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for He himself knew what He was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰ Jesus said,

“Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, He told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that He had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.” ¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.

L: The Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Bill Pollack

The Table with Enough

Communion Anthem

Chancel Choir

Be Present At Our Table, Lord
(Arlen Clarke)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us. Be present at our table, Lord;
be here and everywhere adored; Thy people bless, and grant that
we may feast in paradise with thee. Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

✠ We Respond to God’s Word ✠

† **Affirmation of Faith**

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in
one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of
the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true
God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through
him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was

crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Acknowledgement Special Offering: *Backpack Ministry*

† **Doxology**

#606

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 of Communion

#515 (1,2,3,5)

I Come with Joy

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,
In love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
In Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.

The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are
friends, and strangers now are friends.

Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

✠ The Lord's Supper ✠

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

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

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise;

Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty.... Great is the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. (2 x)

Gracious God, pour out Your Holy Spirit.... Through Christ, all glory and honor are Yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

✠ **We Are Sent in God's Name** ✠

† **Hymn of Sending**

#703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Jesus, Thy boundless love to me,
No thought can reach, no tongue declare;
O knit my thankful heart to Thee,
And reign without a rival there.
Thine wholly, Thine alone, I'd live;
Myself to Thee entirely give.

O grant that nothing in my soul
May dwell, but Thy pure love alone!
O may Thy love possess my whole,
My Joy, my Treasure, and my Crown.
All coldness from my heart remove;
May every act, word, thought, be love.

O love, how gracious is Thy way!
All fear before Thy presence flies;
Care, anguish, sorrow, melt away,
Where'er Thy healing beams arise.
O Jesus, nothing may I see,
Nothing desire or seek, but Thee.

Closing Voluntary

Max Jackson

Sonata No 6 - Felix Mendelssohn
2. Fuga
3. Finale, Andante

† **Benediction**

† *Standing if you are able.*

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Cathy Wilson*

Liturgist: *Kim Whitman*

Videographer: *Ryan Whitman*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 62

Offering: \$1,104.17

CARes: \$75.00

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans
Bells Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

OCC shoeboxes are available in the Narthex. Please return your filled box by **November 13**. We will dedicate the boxes and deliver them to the collection center. Thank you in advance! (*Mission Ministry Team*)

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

Through the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we connect with each other to confront systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world—and right here at home.

→25% stays with our congregation.

→25% goes to our region.

→50% supports Presbyterians across the globe. The offering will be received **October 2—16**. Please mark "peace offering" on your check. Envelopes are available on the table in the Narthex. Thank you!

(*Mission Ministry Team*)

JOIN US FOR LUNCH!

On **Sunday, October 23** (following morning worship) we will gather for a time of good food and fellowship. We will enjoy soup, salad, grilled cheese sandwiches, and homemade desserts. We will experience a "Table & Treat" with our children.

Children are invited to wear their costumes. We are encouraged to bring a treat for our kiddos. It is always a fun time for us all! We will also observe a time of Pastor & Staff appreciation. Please plan to come and share in the fun!



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



All Saints' Sunday is **October 30**. Please join us as we pay homage to our dearly departed saints and loved ones. If you have a loved one who has passed into the kingdom within this last year, please notify the Church office by **Sunday, October 23** for inclusion of his or her name in the bulletin.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Week ending September 30, 2022

Jim Burgin (Pastor Bill's brother-in-law's father)
Phil Chavez (online request)
Delayna Crookes (Amy Crookes' daughter-in-law)
Mike Hall (Geri Willis' brother)
Anders Pedersen (Kris Adkins' brother)
Arvind Poncho (online request)
Lee Virgin (Brett Gehringer's grandfather)

Week ending September 23, 2022

Mary Brown (Kim & Mike Whitman's daughter)
Judy Fannin
Donna Isaacs (Kelly Hanni's mother)
Nancy Payne
Mary Vanderhoof (John Ferguson's mother)
Kim Whitman

Week ending September 16, 2022

Pastor Bill
Nancy Jackson (Steve Jackson' wife)

Prayer requests will rotate off after three weeks. If you have an ongoing concern, please contact the church office.

Ongoing: Derek Payne, Nancy Payne, Janet Winans,
Ann & Jim Wiseman

Morning Pointe: Carolyn Graber

Military:

Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, Dayton, OH, son of Kris Adkins)
Cadet Katie Brown
(West Point, granddaughter of Kim & Mike Whitman)
Major Scott A. Brown (husband of Mary Whitman Brown)
Lieutenant Colonel Chris Potter (USAF, Germany, nephew of Max
& Lois Jackson, Bruce & Cindy Roe, and Roger & Pam Potter)
Major Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lily)

SERMON NOTES

The Table with Enough

[John 6:1 – 15]

STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*
Choirmaster, Organist: *Max Jackson*
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*
Custodian: *Glen Thomas*
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Mitch Hall*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2022	2023	2025
<i>Judy Fannin</i>	<i>Cathy Wilson*</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni</i>
<i>Mitch Hall</i>	<i>J.T. Norris</i>	<i>Kim Whitman</i>
<i>Ryan Whitman</i>	<i>Breck Tarr</i>	<i>Geri Willis</i>
		*2nd term of service

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Building & Grounds:

Judy Fannin

Christian Education:

Kim Whitman & Lee McCloud

Congregational Life:

Cathy Wilson

Finance: *Trish Hall*

Membership: *Breck Tarr*

Mission: *Geri Willis*

Personnel: *Janet Holbrook*

Worship: *Ryan Whitman*

If you would like to join any of these ministry teams, please contact the Chairperson or call the Church office.

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