



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY**



The ♥ of Ashland

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

All Saints' Sunday | Reformation Sunday

October 30, 2022

10:50 a.m.

✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Bill Pollack

Prelude

Max Jackson

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
(Diderik Buxtehude)

Call to Worship

Jane Justice

Leader: Come, let us mingle our memories and our hopes together, for today is a special day, All Saints' Day.

People: Saints are made by listening to the call of God and saying, "Yes."

Leader: Hidden in a whisper or proclaimed in a hurting world, the call of God touches our hearts.

People: Give thanks for the ones who've gone before us and made it easier for us to believe in God and live the life of faith.

All: For all the saints, we magnify Your holy name! Amen.

† **Hymn of Praise**

#275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,

Were not the right Man on our side,
the Man of God's own choosing.

Doth ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He.

Lord Sabaoth His name,
From age to age the same; and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,

We will not fear, for God hath willed

His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever!

† **Call to Confession**

† **Prayer of Confession**

Source of all life, we confess that we have not allowed Your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear Your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Re-form us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of Your whole creation. In the name of the One who can make us new, Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

† **Assurance of Pardon**

† **Response**

#441 (vs. 2)

Hear the Good News of Salvation

All the sins I have committed, to my Savior now I bring.
I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing:
Jesus Christ, how much I love You! Jesus Christ, You save from sin!
How I love You! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

Children's Message

Lisa Stevens

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Hark! Ten Thousand Harps and Voices
(Robert Powell)

Hark! Ten thousand harps and voices sound the note of praise
above! Jesus reigns, and Heaven rejoices, Jesus reigns, the God of
love; See, He sits upon the throne; Jesus rules the world alone.

Halleluia, Amen! Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens all and gives it worth; Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens, cheers and charms Thy saints on earth; When we think of love like thine, Lord, we own it love divine. King of Glory, reign forever! Thine an everlasting crown. Nothing from Thy love shall sever those whom Thou hast made Thine own; Happy people of thy grace, destined to behold Thy face. Savior, hasten Thine appearing; bring, O bring this glorious day, When the mighty summons hearing, heaven and earth shall pass away; Then with all the saints we'll sing, "Glory to our King! Halleluia! Amen!

Naming and Remembering the Saints

† **Sally Hermansdorfer**, November 9, 2021

John Woods III, November 18, 2021

Rev. James Rucker, January 27, 2022
(Former FPC Minister)

Brianna White Lee, January 16, 2022
(Jan Holbrook's cousin)

† **Doris Raftery**, January 25, 2022

Sally Hollin Spurlock, February 7, 2022
(Jan Holbrook's aunt)

† **Bill Jackson**, February 9, 2022

† **Anna Calvert Adkins**, March 8, 2022

Cpl. Jacob M. Moore, March 19, 2022
(Jessica Goodwin's cousin)

Isaac Rigsby, April 3, 2022
(Melissa Rigsby's father)

Katie Stephenson, April 8, 2022
(Martha Gesling's cousin)

Taylor Nield Hollin, May 9, 2022
(Jan Holbrook's uncle)

Paul Kloes, May 29, 2022
(Jennifer Johnson's friend)

Ira Smith, July 29, 2022

Joy Theilen, August 2, 2022
(Martha Gesling's cousin)

† **Pollyanne Sager**, August 12, 2022

Tom Hastie, August 15, 2022

(Jennifer Johnson's friend)

† *Member of First Presbyterian Church.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Saints

Prayer for Illumination

The Epistle Lesson

1 Timothy 4:7 – 16 (NRSV)

⁷ The end of all things is near; therefore, be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins.

⁹ Be hospitable to one another without complaining. ¹⁰ Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. ¹¹ Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves

must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To Him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen. ¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

¹³ But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when His glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, a criminal, or even as a mischief maker. ¹⁶ Yet if any of you suffers as a Christian, do not consider it a disgrace, but glorify God because you bear this name.

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L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 46

#329

God is Our Refuge and Our Strength

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever-present aid,
and therefore, though the earth be moved,
we will not be afraid.

Though hills amid the seas be cast; though foaming waters roar,
Yea, though the mighty billows shake
The mountains on the shore.

Where God abides a river flows; that city will rejoice.
But nations fear, and kingdoms shake
Before God's thundering voice.

Since God is in the midst of it, the city walls shall stand,
secure and safe with God's sure help, when trouble is at hand.

† **The Gospel Lesson**

John 17:1 – 5 (NRSV)

After Jesus had spoken these words, He looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son so that the Son may glorify You, ² since You have given Him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom You have given Him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom You have sent. ⁴ I glorified You on earth by finishing the work that You gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify Me in Your own presence with the glory that I had in Your presence before the world existed.

L: The Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Bill Pollack

"The Reason for It All"

✠ **We Respond to God's Word** ✠

† **Hymn of Response**

#828

More Love to Thee, O Christ

More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to Thee;
more love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest.
Now Thee alone I seek; give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to Thee;
more love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper Thy praise;
this be the parting cry my heart shall raise.
This still its prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to Thee;
more love to Thee, more love to Thee!

† **Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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 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.

Offering Acknowledgement

Special Offering: *Carpet Fund*

† **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.

✠ **We Are Sent in God's Name** ✠

† **Hymn of Sending**

#182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon My breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."

I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
look unto Me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
and in that Light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.

Closing Voluntary

Max Jackson

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
(Helmut Walcha)

† Benediction

† Standing if you are able

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Kelly Hanni*

Liturgist: *Jane Justice*

Videographer: *Ryan Whitman*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 72

Offering: \$2,191.70

Online Giving: \$351.65

Clean Start: \$144.94

Total Offering: \$2,688.29

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans

Bells Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2023

The 2023 Stewardship Campaign is **November 6 through November 20**. This year's theme is *A Life of Stewardship*. The green leaves in our logo speak to our growth in becoming greater disciples of Jesus. Stewardship speakers:



November 6: *Jane Justice*

November 13: *John Ferguson*

November 20: *Heather Whitman*



LET YOUNG VOICES BE HEARD



When

NOV 6, 2022

FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICE

TELL US YOUR IDEAS

The First Presbyterian Church Membership Committee is seeking ideas and ways to bring families and friends of the younger generation (39 and younger) to church and to become closer to our Lord.

If you are 39 years and younger, we invite you to our Pizza Party in the Bethesda Room immediately following church service to hear any of your ideas or thoughts.

It should take no longer than 30 minutes

Bring the kids for Pizza, there will be plenty!!



YOU ARE INVITED!

Please join us for a piano recital by Calving Riggs here at FPC on **November 12** beginning at **4 p.m.** in the upstairs Choir room.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please return your filled box by **November 13**. We will dedicate the boxes and deliver them to the collection center. Thank you!

THANKSGIVING DINNER WITH A TWIST!

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, November 20**, when we will gather in the Bethesda Community Hall for a time of celebration and thanksgiving for our Stewardship Emphasis success! We will have our dinner catered. We will not be asking anyone to provide a covered dish. Our menu will include turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, desserts (and maybe some cranberry sauce for Pastor Bill). We would like to celebrate our Thanksgiving with a slight twist. We are asked to bring non-perishable items to help provide for the Ashland Blazer High School Youth Service Center Thanksgiving Baskets. Please turn in items by **November 14**. There will be a collection box located in the Narthex.

Items Needed:

Instant Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Stuffing
Biscuit or Roll Mix
Cranberry Sauce
Canned Green Beans

Cream of Mushroom Soup
Crispy Onion Straws
Canned Sweet Potatoes
Brown Sugar
Marshmallows
Pecans

Canned Corn
Pumpkin Pie Filling
Pie Crust
Canned Milk
Coffee, Tea or Hot Cocoa Mix



**The Highlands Museum Christmas
Tour of Homes**

Saturday, December 3, 2022

Sunday, December 4, 2022

Sign-up sheets/Donation area is in the Narthex, Bulletin Board on your left. Call or text, Kelly Hanni, 606-923-7826, for questions.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Week ending October 28, 2022

Pastor Bill
Judy Fannin
Donna Isaacs (Kelly Hanni's mother)
Helen Ross (Nanette)
Kim Whitman

Week ending October 21, 2022

Lorelai Shay
Scott Woods (Jane Ann Goodwin)

Week ending October 14, 2022

Family of Jim Burgin (Pastor Bill's brother-in-law's father)
Deepak Dey (online request)

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)

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.**

To visit the church website, scan the code below.



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