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# Order of Service

## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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August 4, 2024

*Welcome to worship service at the First Presbyterian Church in Palestine, IL. Whether you are here in person, or watching us online, we are honored that you have chosen to worship with us!*

**\*\*INDICATES TO PLEASE STAND IF ABLE TO DO SO.**

### GATHERING

#### Gathering Music

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prelude

As our prelude is played, let us quiet our soul with meditation and prayer.

#### Call to Worship (from Ephesians 4:1-6)

**Let us live a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called, Let us live with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

There is one body and one Spirit,

**just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,**

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.**

Let us worship God!

#### **\*\*Opening Hymn    Our God, Our Help in Ages Past**

**Blue Hymnal #210 All Verses**

*Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home:  
Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received its frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.  
A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.  
Time, like an ever rolling stream, Soon bears us all away; We fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.  
Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.*

#### Invocation

#### Children's Moment

#### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God,

in Jesus, we have seen your glory.

Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ.

We are quick to accuse and slow to confess.

We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings.

We have squandered your gifts.

We have turned from your ways.

We have ignored your Word.

Have mercy on us, compassionate God.  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives.  
Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace  
that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us  
be. Amen

### Declaration of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

### **\*\*Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

## THE WORD

**Scripture**    **Ephesians 5:1-2; Philippians 2:3-8**

This is the Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**Message**            **“The Call to Set Oneself Aside”**

*Reverend Mick Laflin*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### Call for the Offering



#### **August giving- Grant-In-Aid Program**

How to Give: you can go directly to our website and use our online giving platform to set up a one-time or recurring gift; you can mail your offering directly to the church (POB 132, Palestine, IL 62451), or you can drop your tithes and offerings at the church office, Mon – Thurs, 10 am – 2 pm.

### Presentation of Offerings and Song of Dedication

#### **\*\*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (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.*

### Prayer of Dedication

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

**Communion Hymn**    ***Breathe on Me, Breath of God***

**Blue Hymnal #316 verses 1&2**

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew, That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.*

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure, Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.*

### Invitation to the Lord’s Table

### Breaking and Pouring

### Communion Prayer

### Partake of the Bread as it is Received

### Hold the Cup to Partake Together

## Prayers of the People and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

## SENDING

### **\*\*Hymn of Sending      In Christ There Is No East or West      Blue Hymnal #440 Verses 1-4**

*In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north; But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth.*

*In Christ shall true hearts everywhere Their high communion find; His service is the golden cord, Close-binding humankind.*

*Join hands, disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God Are surely kin to me. In Christ now meet both east and west, In Him meet south and north; All Christly souls are one in Him Throughout the whole wide earth.*

## Benediction

## Postlude

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# PRAYER REQUEST

## Newly Added or Updated

**Knoblett Family** – Andrew is home

**Auggie Martin** – Pulmonary Edema

**Pastor Akers** – Surgery August 16

**Aaron Earle** -pray for guidance

## Our Continuing Care Concerns

**Family of Polly Rapp**

**Nancy Conrad** – Released to Cardiac Rehab

**Family of Jim Ellis**

**Kim Alumbaugh**

**Chad Coleman** – Colon Surgery, starting Chemo

**Kathy Lutes** – Surgery June 20

**Dave Holubek** – Car Accident/Broken Back & Neck

**Bill Klein** – Prostate Cancer

**Darin Repp** – Surgery July 18

**Margo Riker** - Leukemia

**Kristen Shaw Eagleson** – Surgery Recovery

**Doris & Bill Powell** – Doris battling lung cancer

**Dave Hasty**

**People of Maui**

**Louise Calloway** – Congestive Heart Failure

**People of Ukraine**

**Rita Garrard** – Breast Cancer

**People of Israel**

**Jocelyne Ramsey & Family** – Brain Tumor

**Jamie Schell (Sandy Ellis's cousin)** – Aggressive breast cancer

**Please keep the PNC in your prayers for discernment and patience.**

## Remember those in our church family who are in assisted living or care homes

**Timber Creek Village**

Mary Laughead; Dave & Judy Winger  
1302 W Highland Avenue, Robinson, IL 62454

**Sisters of Providence**

Guileen Manual  
1 Providence Pl, St Mary-Of-The-Woods, IN 47876

**BridgePointe Health Campus**

Cheryl Mefford  
1900 College Ave, Vincennes, IN 47591

**Arbor Rose of Robinson**

Marilyn Henderson  
500 S Reed Street, Robinson, IL 62454

**Villas of Holly Brook Newton**

Sharon Biggs  
101 S Gregory Dr, Room 37, Newton, IL 62448

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## MEETING DATES

- August 20, 6:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

## IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Food pantry needs volunteers! Monday 1-3 and Wednesday 5-6. They could use any able-bodied workers!

## LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY

- The Upper Room –September & October
- 2023 Annual Report

Get the latest information on worship services, church activities, prayer requests, etc. by signing up to be on our email list. Go to our website, [www.firstprespalestine.com](http://www.firstprespalestine.com) and scroll to the bottom to fill out the subscription form or email the church office at [1stpresby.palestine@gmail.com](mailto:1stpresby.palestine@gmail.com).

**Please welcome Laura Dollahan as our new assistant! Feel free to stop in and introduce yourself!**