

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024



First Presbyterian Church
220 North Cullen Street - Rensselaer, Indiana 47978
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Stephanie Davisson, Accompanist

Welcome
to
First Presbyterian Church
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Church Mission Statement: We are a Presbyterian church responding to new mission frontiers presented by our changing culture. Guided by our Lord Jesus Christ, we love, serve and embrace all people.

Sunday Offering: \$1,120.00

Attendance: 16

Pastor: Rev. Michelle J. Bartel, Ph.D.

Youth Minister: Stephanie Davisson

Director of Music: Stephanie Davisson

Office Administrator: Bethany Dodge

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Maintenance/Housekeeping: Pat McKinney

Prayer concerns: David Wilma, Larry Alexander, Joan Butler, Tony's grandmother, Joyce Cady, Carol Geisel, Dawn Jefferson, Rob Jefferson, Trent Jefferson, Kristian Jefferson, David Wilma, Joy Mendenhall, Jennifer Perez, and Pat Sheffler.

If you would like a child's folder or a wireless hearing assistance device, let the usher know.

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, and the power and the glory,

for ever. Amen.

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✦ Please stand in body or spirit

Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Michelle Bartel

Call to Worship

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Worship the Lord with gladness.

Leader: Come into God's presence with singing.

People: Come, let us worship the Lord!

✦ Hymn of Praise #19, *God of Great and God of Small*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of the Lord, that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Alleluia, Amen!

✦ Response #581 *Gloria Patri*

Announcements

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm Reading Psalm 23 p.501 OT

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 9:23-24 p. 711 OT

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading Ephesians 4:1-6 p.193 NT

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: One Body and One Spirit Rev. Bartel

"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

✦ Hymn of the Word #702, *Christ Be Beside Me*

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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
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.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE BAPTISM ~ BAUTISMO

Laying on of Hands

Welcome

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (we use "debts "and debtors" in the prayer)

The Offering

(The Offering plates will not be passed. You may place your offerings
in the plates on the pedestals either before or after Worship.)

✠ Doxology #607 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you
have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, our possessions. Use
us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love;
through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✠ Hymn of Sending #700, *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me.*

✠ Benediction

Congregational Response *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Postlude

