\*HYMN 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE

O God, You Are My God

**David Strasser** 

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.
I will seek You in the morning.

and I will learn to walk in Your ways.

And step by step You'll lead me,

and I will follow You all of my days.

\*POSTLUDE

Blessed Assurance

arr. Mrs. J.F. Knapp

# **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP**

Elder # - Beverlee Witty (8:45); Brenda Greer (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers - Bennett Doughton, Mike Lee,
and Robbie Lee (8:45);
Bennett Doughton and Mary Claire Doughton (11:00)

The second notice is hereby given of a **called congregational meeting**, to be held in the church sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, October 2. The purpose of this meeting is to hear and act upon the report from the Church Officer Nominating Committee.

ELDER:		<b>DEACON:</b>	TRUSTEE
Roger Foltz		John Futrell	H.C. Allen, Jr (Pete)
Linda Fricke		Rodney Graham _	
John Kusewitt		Patty Kim _	
Paul Luce Gina Villafana		Alberto Villafana	(Youth Deacon)
Bennett J Doughton (Youth Elder)			

#### **FLOWERS**

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by Duane and Joanne Moon in loving memory of Clifford Moon, honoring him on the 110th anniversary of his birth.

#### **NEED TO KNOW COLUMN**

Thursday, September 22 through Sunday, September 25

Rev. Doughton will be away for his High School Reunion & family visit

#### Sunday, September 25 - Guest Preacher, Rev. Krueger

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

## Wednesday, September 28

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner

6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen

6:30 p.m. - Adult Class by Rev. Doughton, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Saturday, October 1

TBD - Addressing Mesquite Day

#### **Sunday, October 2 - World Wide Communion**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Called Congregational Meeting (Church Officer Nominations)

4:00 p.m. - Church Picnic at Town Center Park in Sunnyvale

6:00 p.m. - Vespers at the Picnic



Wednesday Night Live will return for an eightweek run starting Wednesday, September 28 through November 16.

Chef Rod Graham will prepare a light meal. The price is \$5 each. Please sign up to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.

Pete Allen will offer a different type class, "Art Anywhere." Pete will cover drawing, sketching, and using colored pencils.

Rev. Doughton will begin a short series on his trip to the Holy Land.

We offer for children and youth "First Wednesdays" on October 5, Brenda Greer will lead the class. We will also have a class on November 2. There will be a special program for them on those nights.

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know you would like to utilize childcare, we want to have someone scheduled on staff.

#### 18th Annual Addressing Mesquite Day

This year's AMD will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022. Each year we volunteer our time as an All-Church Mission Outreach. Please sign up to help at the Welcome Center. There is a form to be completed and submitted to Eric Schwartz, who is our representative this year.

We will meet at the home of Mrs. Judy Woody, 1402 Carson Dr. at 9am We will be trimming trees and branches, general yardwork, debris removal, fence & mailbox repair, and small amount of painting. Shovels, rakes, wheelbarrow, chainsaws, tree saws, & ladders. There is still time for you to fill out your volunteer form and participate.

# Mission Opportunity for All!

The Presbyterian Women are collecting school supplies for Florence Black Elementary School. Please drop off school supplies in the container near the Welcome Center through September.





#### THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues. . .

Let us carry on THE CHALLENGE to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total for September is currently 78 items.



Please use the QR Code on the signs in the hall to sign up for our next blood drive, Sunday, October 9, 2022.

This drive will have 30 slots for donors, our goal is to have at least 20 or more successful donors.

Let's be mission-minded and save lives through our donation of blood.

# **GUIDE TO WORSHIP**

September 25, 2022 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in bold is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!

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## THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor Ben Clifton, Director of Music Ministries Ryoji Shimpo, Organist Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Fantasia on 'Coronation' Todd Kendall

INTROIT Be Not Afraid arr. John L. Bell

Be not afraid; sing out for Joy! Christ is risen, alleluia! Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Philippians 1:2; Psalm 8:1,3,4,9

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

Oh Lord our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above in the heavens. When we look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, who are we that You are mindful of us, that You care for us. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

\*HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Holy, and Gracious God; we confess that we have not looked to Your light, we have not followed Your ways, we have not sought Your perfect wisdom. We have done what we should not have done. We have neglected to do the actions You call us to do. We have not loved as You call us to love. We have not thought through our days as You call us to think. Forgive us, we pray, by the forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit give us minds to think, wills to act, and hearts to love that bring honor and glory to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

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. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

ANTHEM (11:00)

Go Down, Moses arr. Richard E. Frey Chancel Choir

When Israel was in Egypt's land: Let my people go;
Oppressed so hard they could not stand, Let my people go.
Go down, Moses, 'Way down in Egypt land,
Tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.
The Lord told Moses what to do, Let my people go;
To lead the children of Israel through, Let my people go.

Go down, Moses, 'Way down in Egypt land,
Tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.
Oh, let us all from bondage flee, Let my people go;
And let us all in God be free, Let my people go.

Go down, Moses, 'Way down in Egypt land, Tell old Pharaoh to let my people,

Let my people go!

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All knowing God-as we hear Your word read and preached may it startle us from our status quo, may it heal us where we are wounded, and may it inspire us where we are discouraged. May it light our paths and lead us to a new day in Jesus name. Amen.

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 32:1-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. Now at that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the guard, which was in the house of the king of Judah, because Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, "Why do you prophesy, saying, 'Thus says the LORD, "Behold, I am about to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he will take it; and Zedekiah king of Judah will not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but he will surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he will speak with him face to face and see him eye to eye; and he will take Zedekiah to Babylon, and he will be there until I visit him," declares the LORD. "If you fight against the Chaldeans, you will not succeed ""?" And Jeremiah said, "The word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Behold, Hanamel the son of Shallum your uncle is coming to you, saying, "Buy for yourself my field which is at Anathoth, for you have the right of redemption to buy it." "Then Hanamel my uncle's son came to me in the court of the guard according to the word of the LORD and said to me, 'Buy my field, please, that is at Anathoth, which is in the land of Benjamin; for you have the right of possession and the redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD. "I bought the field which was at Anathoth from Hanamel my uncle's son, and I weighed out the silver for him, seventeen \* shekels of silver. "I signed and sealed the deed, and called in witnesses, and weighed out the silver on the scales. "Then I took the deeds of purchase, both the sealed copy containing the terms and conditions and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, in the sight of Hanamel my uncle's son and in the sight of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, before all the Jews who were sitting in the court of the guard. "And I commanded Baruch in their presence, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, "Take these deeds, this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, that they may last a long time." 'For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, "Houses and fields and vineyards will again be bought in this land."

# SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Timothy 6:6-19

But godliness actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment. For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. But flee from these things, you

man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate, that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which He will bring about at the proper time -He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen. Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Krueger The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

\*HYMN 286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

SERMON

A Little at a Time

Rev. Krueger

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 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.