

First Presbyterian Church

June 24, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

"And God saw that it was good." Genesis 1

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 19)

One: The heavens keep telling the wonders of God, and the skies declare what he has done.

All: Each day informs the following day; each night announces to the next.

One: They don't speak a word and there is never the sound of a voice. Yet their message reaches all the earth, and it travels around the world.

All: The heavens keep telling the wonders of God, and the skies declare what God has done. Let us sing God's praise!

*Hymn *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* #14

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

We acknowledge, great Lord, that you have made all things well. We see your hand print in the beauty of the earth. We confess, dear God, that we take your earth for granted and continue to use it for those things that are in our best interest. Heal us from such blindness and carelessness. Make our hearts grateful for the goodness we have been given, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

*Assurance of Pardon

One: The Lord is slow to anger and quick to forgive. Hear the good news; in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

All: Amen, and Amen.

*Choral Response *"Glory to God"* #582

*Passing of the Peace

One: Jesus has spoken peace; to those who are near and those who are far away. Let us be peacemakers together in Christ. The peace of the Lord

be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time for Small Disciples Rev. Dr. Lisa Ruth Mays

Special Music *"Put Your Hand in the Hand"* Bea Mooney, soloist

Prayer for Illumination

Lord God, as we come to your holy Word, help us to see you, help us to know you, help us to love you. Help us to follow your will for us in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Genesis 1:1-2:3 (page 1-2 OT in the pew Bible)

Psalm 8 (page 492 OT in the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn *"Morning Has Broken"* #664

Sermon *"God's Earth"* Rev. Dr. Lisa Ruth Mays

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Sung Affirmation of Faith *"I Believe in God the Father"* #481

(Ushers gather in the narthex at this time.)

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offertory *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"* Bea Mooney, soloist

*Choral Response *"The Doxology"* #606

*Prayer of Dedication

We offer ourselves to you this day. We give back to you of our means with our thanks. Bless our giving. Bless others through us we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

... "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

*Song on the Way *"All Things Bright and Beautiful"* #20

*Benediction

*Hymn

*Postlude

* *You may stand.*

"How Great Thou Art"

#625

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committed to growing in faithfulness to God, serving the whole human family
and welcoming all people into God's love.
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