ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for your offerings for the ministry of Christ's church.
Donations may be placed in the JOASH BOX, which is located in the front of the Sanctuary (on the wall near the piano).

To donate via mobile device, text FPCSunCity to 73256.
You may text STOP to cancel or HELP for assistance.

SAVE THE DATE -- Dr. Moyi Liu has established a Chamber Music Trio called "Iridescence Piano Trio," which includes piano, violin and cello. They will be presenting a Concert at 3:00pm on Sunday, November 22nd. A free-will offering will be collected, which will be directed to the musicians. All are welcome to attend; consider inviting a friend!

Orange Visitor Cards are available in the pew racks – drop in the Joash Box offering plate or give it to the Pastor.

Have a prayer request? Fill out the **Green** pew card and place in the Joash Box offering plate or give to the Pastor.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

Worship 9:30am **Sunday, November 1st**

MUSIC FOR GATHERING Dr. Moyi Liu, Piano
WELCOME AND CHURCH NOTICES Stewart Porter

Hearing Assistance is available! Please ask a sound technician.

HEARING LOOP INSTALLED
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

PRELUDE

UNISON responses are in **CAPITAL BOLD** text
*indicates to please stand, in body or in spirit

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Terry Olthoff, Liturgist

Leader: God brings forth every beautiful thing,
PEOPLE: LET US OPEN OUR MINDS AND HEARTS TO RECEIVE GOD'S SPIRIT!
Leader: The Lord of love embraces each of us,
PEOPLE: MAY OUR CREATOR'S GRACE REST UPON US, AND MAKE US WHOLE!

***OPENING HYMN** *Come, Thou Almighty King* No. 139 (vs. 1 & 3)

V.1 Come, Thou Almighty King, help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious,
O'er all victorious, come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

V.3 Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour: Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Pastor Ann Utke

**GRACIOUS GOD, HELP US TO BE HONEST WITH OURSELVES,
WITH ONE ANOTHER, AND WITH YOU. WE HAVE BURDENED OTHERS
WITH OUR NEGLECT. WE HAVE SOUGHT HONORS TO LOOK BETTER
THAN THOSE AROUND US. WE HAVE SOUGHT DISTRACTIONS
IN PLACES THAT TURNED OUT TO BE WASTELANDS.
O LORD, SEARCH OUR HEARTS THIS DAY . . . . (SILENT PRAYER)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God gathers us from the east and the west, the north and the south,
drawing us into a caring community where burdens are shared
and hopes renewed. In Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Terry Olthoff, Liturgist

*God of all worlds, grant us truly to hear your Word and follow it,
as we seek to humbly serve you. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING *1 Thessalonians 2:9-13* p. 248

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.

SUNG RESPONSE *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* No. 372 (vs. 1 & 3)

V.1 Lord, I want to be a Christian
In my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

V.3 Lord, I want to be more holy
In my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

SCRIPTURE READING *Psalm 43* p. 634

SERMON Rev. Ann Utke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

*Remember in your prayers the congregation of
Covenant, Bisbee (PCUSA); Valley View Food Bank;
and Shepherd of the Desert Lutheran Church.*

**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.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION (See Insert)

***CLOSING HYMN** *Here I Am, Lord* No. 525 (vs. 1 & 3)

V.1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry,
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

**Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart.**

V.3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hears be satisfied.
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? **(Refrain)**

***BENEDICTION** ***POSTLUDE**

As you leave, please dispose of your used communion cup in the wastebasket.
Thank you!