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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PENDLETON, OREGON – NOV. 10TH, 2024
TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



REV. JONATHAN MITCHELL

MUSIC LEADERS: STEVE MULLER, CARLY ELDER

LITURGIST: JOHN TURNER

- **Bold** words are spoken together.
- The nursery is open for children aged 0-5
- There are children's activity booklets available to keep!
- Judy and Don Witte brought beautiful flowers in memory of their parents, Ruth & Anker Pedersen, and Dorothy & Conrad Witte.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM MARK 12

Holy One, we long to perceive ourselves as you see us.

We yearn to look through your eyes and envision whom you created us to be.

Yet, we often get caught up in shallow appearances.

Help us love ourselves as you love us so that we may truly love others.

Help us love others freely from the love you give to us.

(time for silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FROM MARK 12

...Join me in these words of forgiveness:

By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

FROM PSALM 127

...May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

Greet one another with the peace of Christ

ANTHEM

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

BELLS OF JOY

Carly Elder

Vocalist

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

OT P. 309

1 KINGS 17:8-16

GOSPEL LESSON

NT P. 46

MARK 12:38-44

SERMON

The System

*HYMN #708

We Give Thee but Thine Own

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY GTG #607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN #610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at the end of the pews. It is a great way to find out who sits in the pew next to you.
- Please join us for coffee hour following worship in the Rogers Room.
- There is a 6-week Bible Study for those who want to dig deeper into the following Sunday's passage. More information is displayed on the flyer at the back of your bulletin.
- Church workday, Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9 AM to Noon. We need volunteers to help clean up planting beds, trim the hedges, and get our landscape looking good for fall. Many hands make light work.
- Presbyterian Women meet for Bible study the second Wednesday of each month, 9:30am at the church.
- Dear Friends, please advertise that Westminster Woods will be open to church members for Christmas tree cutting on December 7th , 1 to 3pm. Remember that it's wintertime up there, and dress accordingly. Hot coffee, hot chocolate and cookies provided. Westminster Woods members will be on hand to help. If you want to cut a tree, please call Dave Powell, 541-656-6041, by 5pm, Friday the 6th. He will keep track of names, and call you if the weather is bad or the freeway is closed.
- Thrill of Hope - The Living Nativity. A non-profit called Thrill of Hope now organizes the living Nativity at Roy Raley Park. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity, contact either Cate Reynolds or Doreen Matteson. See the flyer at the back of the bulletin.
- All quilters are invited to a community-quilting group at Peace Lutheran Church 9 AM to Noon on Thursdays.

FEASTING ON THE WORD

AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S PASSAGE

WHO: Anyone who wants to dig deeper into the following Sunday's passage.

WHAT: A 6-week Bible study based on the preaching commentary: Feasting on the Word.

WHY: This is great preparation for Sunday's sermon and worship. There is a lot of material, information, questions, and ideas that don't make it into Sunday worship. This is an excellent venue for a more in-depth investigation.

WHERE: First Presbyterian Church Vert Room

WHEN: Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Date	Passage	Topic
10/10/24	Mark 10:17-31	The Rich and the Kingdom of God
10/17/24	Mark 10:35-45	The Request of James and John
10/24/24	Mark 10:46-52	Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight
10/31/24	No Class, Halloween	
11/07/24	Mark 12:38-44	The Widow's Offering
11/14/21	Mark 13:1-8	The Destruction of the Temple
11/21/24	John 18:33-37	Christ the King Sunday

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There are several opportunities this Fall and Winter to study and grow in spiritual discipline. Choose one, or try them all!

1) From Horizons, the Presbyterian Women magazine, “Let Justice Roll Down: God’s Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation.” This is an in-depth examination of how we respond with justice and equity to God’s call to care for the nations and our earth. Join us the second Wednesday of each month at 9:30 am, beginning in October. ***For questions, please call Lori Powell, 541-278-6738.***

2) Pastor Jonathan will be offering “Feasting on the Word: furthering our understanding of the sermon texts.” Pastor will be offering this as a time to deeply engage with the Word, as preached and taught from the pulpit. The study will be happening this fall. Details about dates/times will be forthcoming

3) The Congregational Vitality Commission is pleased to offer “Forty Days with the Gospel of Matthew” starting in the New Year. This unique study is in a prayer journal format, outlining 40 days of Bible study and reflection, with Bible text, thoughtful comment, challenging questions and space for you to think, write, draw and pray. ***The person to call for questions is Darcey Ridgway.***

**Three different kinds of Bible study, Three different times and places.
Three ways to connect your spiritual questions with informed
direction, discussion, laughter and love. Three ways to grow closer to
God’s will and purpose for your life. See you there!**



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- COSTUMES
- SETS
- LIGHTS
- MUSIC
- SOUND
- ANIMAL WRANGLERS
- PRAYER
- TRANSPORTATION
- SET UP/ STRIKE
- PARK SECURITY

Please contact our Thrill of Hope Board Members for more information.

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