

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 16, 2022 10:30 a.m. Worship



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Across the plaza a cloud of dust was rising from a group of people who were walking toward Creator Sets Free (Jesus) as he was teaching. They were forcefully dragging a woman along with them. He could see her tears and the look of terror on her face.

John 8:2b *First Nations Version*

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# Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

This service is being **livestreamed** and can be viewed on our YouTube channel in real time or as a recording. **Large-print copies of this order of service**, as well as **audio enhancement devices** are available **from the ushers**.

## We gather on Sunday for 3 reasons:

- **To seek God**- whom we find in sacred text and sacrament, in music and in song, in prayer, in the beauty of this space, in the stillness where we can hear our hearts. We offer God our thanks and praise, our lament and longing, and our resources. We let go of burdens and receive grace and forgiveness. We see the One our hearts love.
- **To practice Community** – rejoice w/those who rejoice, weep w/those who weep. To break bread with those whom we love and those whom we need to love more fully. We practice things our culture does not emphasize: resting, forgiving, sharing. Jesus asked us to love one another as he loved us, and we cannot do so without practice.
- **To listen for our Call**- often an invitation to go out and be or do or remember. God is speaking all the time: through conscience, nature, friends, and certainly scripture. We gather to listen for that Call and to recommit ourselves to discipleship.

Information on our common life can be found on our website [www.fpcsb.net](http://www.fpcsb.net), along with sermons and newsletters. You can participate in our work by supporting us financially with a one-time or sustaining donation.

Children are **welcome** in worship. Younger children may go to the Nursery at any time.

**OUR NEXT COMMUNION will be Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.**

# Morning Worship†

## REFLECTION BEFORE THE SERVICE

This weekend we have been exploring our relationship with our neighbors and the land on which we dwell. Some of us participated (along with others from other places and time zones), in a morning session called *Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change*; some of us joined in an in-person conversation called *Nurturing Seeds of Change*. This morning's worship is a continuation of this theme, inviting us to new understandings and open hearts. It is our prayer that we will allow the Spirit of God to guide us into a future of honest and humble relationships that help us love our neighbors in new ways.

Nancy Wiens is a friend of this congregation and has been our guide in this conversation along with her partners Suanne Ware-Diaz (Kiowa), Sylvia Mendivil Salazar (O'odham & Yoeme), Christine Salazar (Gabrielino-Tongva). We have been listening to the insights and experiences of others and reflecting on what we have heard.

## GATHERING MUSIC

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*Carol Cooper*

*Allow the music to usher you into sacred space and time.*

### INTROIT

*From the Rising of the Sun*<sup>1</sup>

*Eric H. Thiman*

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, the Lord's name be praised.

### \*CALL to WORSHIP

Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord:

✘ **Hear our voice and answer our prayers**

**As we gather to worship you!**

### \*HYMN 293

*Loving Spirit*

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*Verses 1,2,3,5*

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† The symbols you will see in this order of worship mean:

**\* Stand if you are able**    **✘ The congregation will read.**

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## TIME with the CHILDREN

*[Children are always welcome in worship. After the time with Children, 4–11-year-olds are invited to go with Jeanne Clark to KidSpace in the Children's Courtyard.*

*Parents, please pick children up immediately following worship.  
Infants through pre-Kindergarten may go to the Nursery at any time.]*

**ANTHEM**                    *Here I Am, Lord*<sup>2</sup>                    Daniel L. Schutte/Craig Courtney  
Susan Addington, Flute

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? 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. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord . . . 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 hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord . . .

## SCRIPTURE

**Isaiah 43:16–21**

*Pew Bible, pp 672-673*

**John 8:1–11** (*First Nation's Version*)

**SERMON**                    *My Apologies*                    Rev. Dr. Nancy Wiens

## PRAYER of LAMENT

## MINUTE for STEWARDSHIP

## THE OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS

*(We invite you to respond to God's Word. We offer our gifts to be part of God's purposes in the world. You are invited to bring your offering up to the basket during the offertory. You may also place it in a basket on your way out or send gifts through the mail or online.)*

**\*OFFERTORY**                    *Partita for Flute Alone*                    J.S. Bach (1685-1750)  
*in A minor, Sarabande*

## \*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

✘ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost, Amen.

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**PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and OUR 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 649**

*Amazing Grace*  
*Verses 1,2, 3, 5*

AMAZING GRACE

**\*MOMENT for REFLECTION**

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE**      *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*      *Peter C. Lutkin*  
The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift His countenance upon you;  
and give you peace, and give you peace, the Lord make His face to shine upon  
you, and be gracious unto you, be gracious, the Lord be gracious, gracious  
unto you. Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

*(For health reasons we are not greeting at the door)*

**The Rev. Dr. Nancy Wiens is our guest preacher today.** She says:  
Following the form of introduction I have learned from Grandmother  
Mona Polacca of the 13 Indigenous Grandmothers, I will introduce  
myself by telling you about those upon whom I am dependent for my  
life—my matrilineal line, including Mother Earth.

I was born in the lands of the Serrano people and in the Oak Glen  
creek watershed. I am the daughter of Marion Draper Wiens, who  
was born in the lands of the Meherrin, Saponi, Skaurhreh/Tuscarora,  
Lumbee, and Kawwets'ka peoples and in the Roanoke River  
watershed. Today, I live on the lands of the Coast Miwok people in  
the Mt. Tamalpais watershed. My ancestors came from Russia,  
England, and Scotland to settle on this land, now known as the  
United States. I follow the Way of Jesus, son of Mary, born on the  
lands of the ancient Palestinians and in the Sea of Galilee watershed.

**GREETERS:** Gill & Jane Snyder

**USHERS:** Brad Smith, *Lead Usher*

Tim Usher, David Grindahl, *Security Ushers*

**SOUND ENGINEER:** Dan Direen

**VIDEO ENGINEER:** James Welte

**CAMERA OPERATORS:** Kevin Lamb

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK**

**Judy Brewer, Jeannie & Larry Marona**

*Elders:* Carol Cooper, Margaret Doane, Stephanie Fletcher

*Deacons:* Steve Smith, Mark Adelson, Carmen Avila

**This Weeks' Celebrations**

*Oct 17*      Jacob Babcock  
                 Bobbi Cummings

*Oct 20*      Robin Edwards

*Oct 21*      Marilyn Kraft

*Oct 22*      Adam Nord  
                 Neal Williams

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