

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla

Worship Service for the 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Oct. 12, 2025

Pre-Service Music: *I Love to Tell the Story* - Arr. Matt Schinske

Welcome and Announcements:

Prelude: *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* - Arr. Brian Buda

Introit #652: *A Grateful Heart* Ps. 111 Chancel Choir

Responsive Call to Worship/Prayer of the Day

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**sing the glory of God's name;
give God glorious praise.**

Say to God:

How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

**All the earth worships you; they sing praises to
you, sing praises to your name.**

Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have understanding.
God's praise endures forever.**

Let us pray:

Prayer of the Day

**God of power and might,
you show us the wisdom of humility,
reveal the healing you have in store,
and bless us in our working and planting.
Release your Word within us,
that we may live brimming with gratitude
for the full, abundant life Christ gives to all. Amen.**

Opening Hymn #54 *Make a Joyful Noise to God!* (stand)

Call to Confession

God promises mercy for all those who repent.

**Trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ,
let us confess our sin.**

Prayer of Confession

**Compassionate Christ,
you send us to cure the sick,
but we blame the sick for their choices.
You ask us to restore the unclean,
but we separate them into high risk pools.
You compel us to raise the dead,
but we insist some are beyond help.
In your patient and persistent mercy,
forgive us, O Lord.
Teach us to heal without condition
and help without limitation.
Enable us to love one another as you love us,
that as recipients of unmerited grace,
we may freely shower care upon all people.**

Declaration of Pardon

The grace of God is given to us in Jesus Christ.

This is good news!

Peace be with you. **And also with you**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Glory to God #583

Anthem: *O Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me Out* Philip Stopford

Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Worship leader will lead the prayers.

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world.

God of grace. **Receive our prayer.**

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer, who taught us to pray;

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 #490: *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*
(seated)

Prayer for Illumination:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scriptures for the Day:

Old Testament Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 2:8 – 15

Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:22 – 31

Heaven and earth will pass away, but the word of the Lord is forever.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: *Don't Worry, Be Happy* Susan Murray

Sermon Hymn#175: *Seek Ye First*

Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings: (please be seated)

Offering #710: *We Are An Offering*

Prayer of Dedication: John Birch-www.faithandworship.com

We bring you only what is yours, Creator God, that you might use this offering and the giver for the building up of your kingdom and the glory of your name. Amen.

Sending Hymn #550: *Give Praise to the Lord* vs. 1,2, 3
(stand)

Charge and Benediction: John Birch-www.faithandworship.com
(remain standing)

Go in peace. Live in love. **Serve the Lord**

Postlude: *He Keeps Me Singing* - Victor Labenske

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