

Bearing the Word Into the World

*Charge and Benediction Rev. Dr. Lacy S. Sellars, Jr.

Postlude

Congregational Meeting

*Congregation Standing (Please remain seated if standing is uncomfortable.)

Following worship we invite members, friends and guests to the Fellowship Hall, for light refreshments. Please exit the doors at the front of the Sanctuary. We want to get to know you better!

Announcements

Today's Sanctuary Flowers are given to the glory of God, by Mary Nell Baltz, in memory of Robert and Genelle Triffet.

Please keep these Arkansas Presbytery congregations in your prayers this week: First Presbyterian, Van Buren; First Presbyterian, Batesville.

Committees Meet the week of October 14. Contact your Moderator for specific place, date, & time.

Session Meets October 23, 6:30p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Diaconate Meets October 23, 5:00p.m. in the Library.

Welcome Visitors! Please take a moment to sign, and include your email or street address, in the red Attendance Registration Book, as it is passed to you. Once it reaches the end, please pass the book back to its original location so that those sitting in the pew with you may learn your name. The bookmarks in the pew in front of you, depicting our stained glass windows, are available for all to take home. Thank you for worshipping with us!

Children are always welcome in worship at First Presbyterian Church. Childcare is also available for children who are newborn through Kindergarten in Room #208, upstairs from the Sanctuary. Older children are encouraged to participate in worship and are welcome to pick up a clipboard of activities on the front row near the entry doors. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

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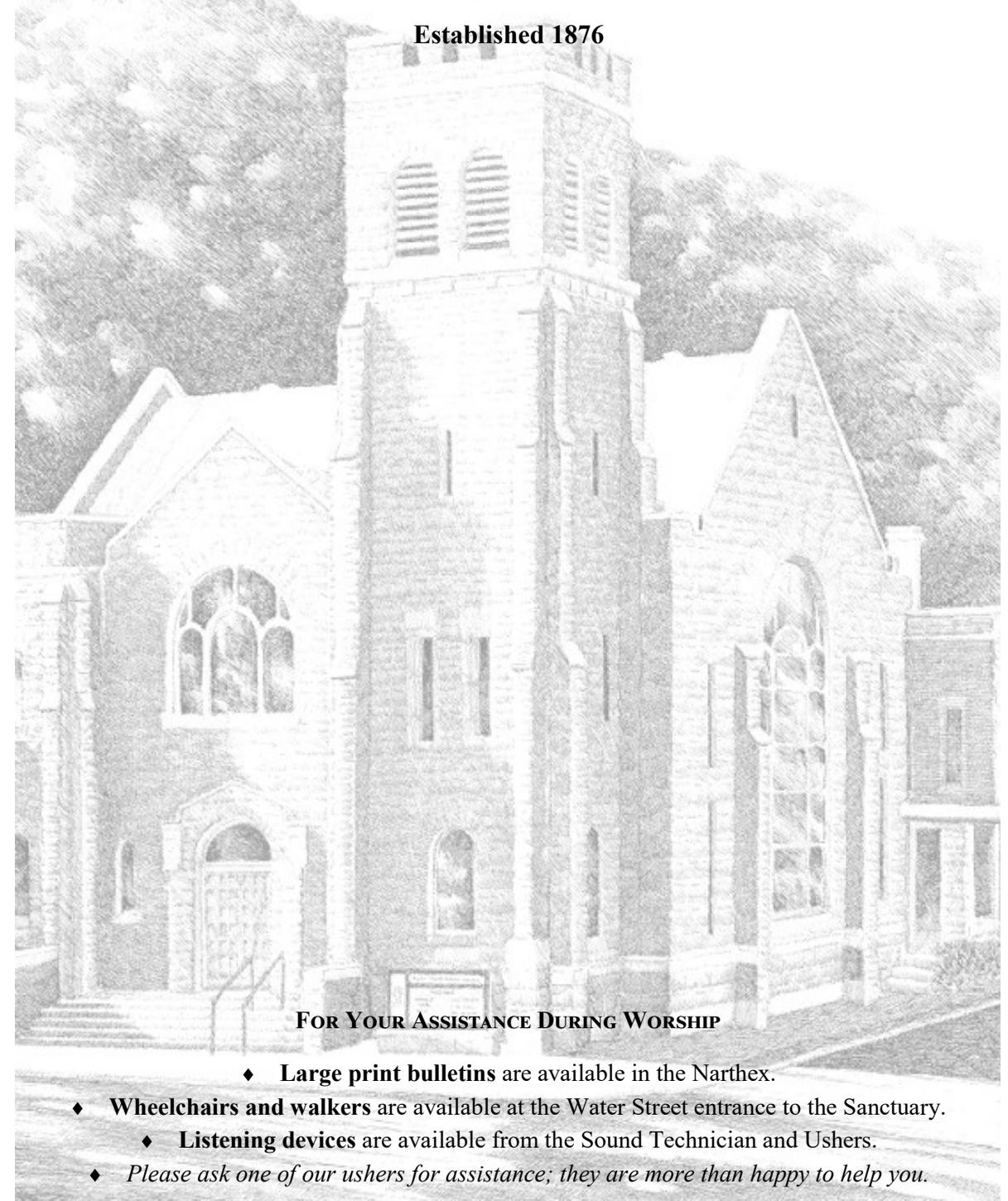
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FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE DURING WORSHIP

- ◆ **Large print bulletins** are available in the Narthex.
- ◆ **Wheelchairs and walkers** are available at the Water Street entrance to the Sanctuary.
- ◆ **Listening devices** are available from the Sound Technician and Ushers.
- ◆ *Please ask one of our ushers for assistance; they are more than happy to help you.*

Order of Worship
October 13, 2019
Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word

Today's Liturgist Ian Poole

Welcome the Community, Sharing Concerns, and Prayer Requests

Prelude

Introit..... *"Give God Thanks!"*Lloyd Larson

Call To Worship reflects Psalm 66

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

People: Sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise!

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

People: He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot.

Leader: There we rejoiced in him, who rules by his might forever,

People: Whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

Leader: Bless our God, O peoples!

People: Let the sound of his praise be heard!

Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn No. 554..... *"Let All Things Now Living"*ASH GROVE

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you and our neighbor. You offer us your grace, but we fail to show our gratitude. By your mercy, you heal our infirmities but we turn away and forget to give you glory. Forgive us, God of grace. Strengthen us in faith, so that we may be made whole and live to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Silent Prayers of Confession

*Lord Have Mercy Upon Us (Kyrie) (Unison) Hymn No. 574

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Glory to the Father (Gloria Patri) (Unison)..... Hymn No. 579

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.

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Sermon

*Hymn No. 371 (Red Hymnbook)...*Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know*" HENDON
The Red Hymnbook is located in the rack underneath the pew in front of you.

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7pg. 731, OT

Anthem..... *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*Kocher/Pethel
"For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies: Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. For the church that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise, grateful praise."

Second Scripture Reading..... Luke 17: 11-19pg. 80, NT

Sermon *"Seeing and Believing"*Rev. Dr. Lacy S. Sellars, Jr.

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 555..... *"Now Thank We All Our God"*NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)..... Adapted from the Confession of Belhar
We believe that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream We believe that the church, as the possession of God, must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged. We believe that in following Christ the church must witness against the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interest and thus control and harm others.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor: God our Savior,

People: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)..... Hymnal, page 16

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology (Unison)Hymn No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication