

11:15

**Worship**

November 12, 2023  
Monteith Hall

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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# WELCOME

## We're glad you're here!

Welcome to 11:15 Worship! This service will run until the end of November as we try out new liturgical patterns and explore ways of being more participatory, responsive, and intergenerational in our expressions of worship. Join us as we listen for the Holy Spirit and try new things! No two weeks will be exactly alike, but each service will seek to help us encounter God in meaningful ways. Join us on the journey! This month we will focus on a theme of creation care.

November 12: Celebrating the Gifts of the Earth

November 19: Lament and Climate Justice

November 26: Creation as a Model of Rest

## Ways to Give

Your gift allows us to carry out our mission as an inclusive and diverse faith community.

### CASH/CHECK

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<https://bit.ly/FPCvanco>

### TEXT-TO-GIVE

Text the amount to 855-904-1523

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# WORSHIP

24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY after PENTECOST

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*\* When this symbol precedes an element of the service,  
please rise in body or spirit.*

## GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & CENTERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Side A: We come here to worship God and celebrate this beautiful creation!

Side B: We see God's beauty in the hand of creation.

Side A: We see God's love in the care for this earth and all God's children.

Side B: Let us rejoice in the beauty that surrounds us.

Side A: Let us rejoice in this creation.

All: Let us worship our God of creation together.

\*OPENING HYMN 35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy one, we confess that we have all been reluctant to do what is right by your creation. We have struggled, we have kept on driving our cars run by pollutants, and we don't change. Help guide us, inspire us, and empower us, as we seek to be better stewards of your creation. Encourage us to live truly, by your word, and to protect, preserve and defend your creation, for this is the only planet Earth that we have.**

Silence is kept.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

During the passing of the peace, you are invited to reflect with those around you on how you saw God in creation this week.

\*RESPONSE 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

## PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION "Spirit of the Living God"  
(sung, Hymn 288)

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 147

SERMON "All the Earth"

## RESPONSE

INTERACTIVE AND  
RESPONSIVE SPACE

During this time, we will invite all of those in attendance to choose a rock from the table in the middle of Monteith, that speaks to them. Following a period of reflection accompanied by some music, you will be invited to share with your neighbor and those around you why the rock you chose resonated with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
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.**

## SENDING

CLOSING HYMN 853 "We are Marching in the Light of God"

\*BENEDICTION ...We go out in peace,  
**To love, to serve, to imagine.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

