*Hymn "This Is My Father's World"

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Bidding Prayer of Confession

Refrain: Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

Mighty One, you hear the prayers of children all over the world. Together we pray for refugee children, fleeing violence, slavery, persecution, abuse and destruction. Bring your Promise Land, Your Kingdom Come into sight as Christians everywhere will become good neighbors to the least of these and safe pasture secured at last. Lord, awaken us to the prayers of your children all across the globe. *Refrain*

O Lord, You hear the prayers of children in our valley. You know the anguish of the bullied child, the beaten, hungry, neglected child. You know the hollowness of the perfect child, the always-on-best-behavior fearful child. You see the immigrant invisible child. You even love the Tom Sawyer-ring-leader child, the daredevil extraordinaire child. As a community of faith, we stand with your children for theirs is in the Kingdom of Heaven. Refrain

We confess there are many children who are hard to love, especially the child inside. **Teach us to love the child inside each of us. Hear our stories, see our pain, heal wounds we pray.** *Refrain*

*Assurance of Forgiveness Psalm 34:17-18,22 Children one and all, rejoice in this Good News! The righteous cry out and the Lord hears them. The Lord delivers them from all their troubles. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. The Lord redeems his servants; no one will be condemned who takes refuge in God! In Jesus' name, live forgiven and be made whole! Amen!

*Hymn "Praise Him, All Ye Little Children"

Praise Him, Praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love. (repeat)

Love Him, Love Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love. (repeat)

Thank Him, Thank Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love. (repeat) - African American Heritage Hymnal (AAHH)

Invitation to Children

Hymn "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world!

Growing Young Disciples

- Children are invited to Sunday School during the Sermon -

Equipping

Prayer of Illumination

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:38-50; 10:13-16

Sermon "Becoming a Resilient Child of God"

Prayers of the People

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

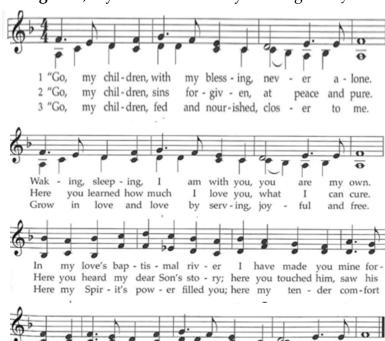
Receiving Gifts from our Children

Receiving the Offering

Offertory
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sending

*Song "Go, My Children With My Blessing" Glory to God



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- ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for - giv - en, at

stilled you. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy

*Blessing

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 30

10:00 am Worship Celebration and Communion

11:00 am Fellowship Gathering

11:30 am Youth Ministry Discussion

2:00 pm Quartet Practice

Monday, October 1

6:50 pm BSF

Tuesday, October 2

9:00 am Staff

9:30 am Quilters' Guild

4:00 pm Serious JuJu Skate—Woodland Park

Wednesday, October 3

8:30 am WE Ministry Team 12:30 pm Kerygma Study

1:30 pm Matter of Balance Class

Thursday, October 4

9:00 am Resource Ministry Team
10:30 am PW Coordination Team
12:00 pm PW Luncheon and Program

Friday, October 5

11:00 am Neighbors in Need Chili Lunch/Northridge

5:00 pm Serious JuJu

Saturday, October 6

8:00 am Build Day (north entrance at Gateway Mall)

8:30 am Men's Group 10:30 am Quilting Group 6:50 pm BSF Leadership

Sunday, October 7

10:00 am Worship Celebration 11:00 am Fellowship Gathering



Saturday, Oct. 20 Continued donations are appreciated.

BOOKS are great sellers and are appreciated! Crafters are creating bazaar items, and others have been making jams, jellies, and pickles this summer. Please continue setting aside clean, attractive items for the home, books, puzzles, toys, etc. Please NO clothing or electronics. Due to limited space, please call Sandy Smith at 393-2483 before donating any small furniture items.

Adult Education Classes

Wednesdays —11:30 am

Kerygma: An In-depth study of scripture Led by Pastor Glenn Burfeind

Wednesdays—1:30 pm

A Matter of Balance led by Dr. Ann Swain Sundays—November 4 & 11—9:00 am

Theories of Atonement led by Dr. Steve Layman

Education

Thank You

Dear Church Family, We thank you for your show of appreciation for our music during worship services. The past 26 years have been a pleasure and a labor of love for us. We are looking forward to continuing worship as members of this congregation.

- Betsy and Lee Scifers

Presbyterian Women—Thursday, October 4

The CT will meet at 10:30 am. All women are invited to the 12 pm luncheon hosted by Martha Circle. The program will be presented by Tammy Harmon (KRMC) on the topic ASSIST—helping to support neighbors in our community.

Men's Group—Saturday, October 6

All men are invited to the Men's Group the first Saturday of each month at 8:30 am at Scotties. We enjoy breakfast together followed by a program.

Saturday Quilting Group

The Quilt Group will meet Saturday, October 6, at 10:30 am at church to make fabric pumpkins. Anyone interested is welcome. Bring orange fabric, thread, needle, scissors and polyester batting (if you have some). Questions, please call Noranne at 314–5286.

Sunday Singers

Are you a "Sunday Singer?" If so, share your love and praise with others through the special gift of music. Sunday Singers will meet to rehearse and sing together before church on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sundays of the month at 9 am in the Chapel. Singing in church is not a performance. It is a gift of praise to our God. We would love to have you join us. Got questions? Contact Marilyn Anderson at 871-0337.

Order of Worship

19th Sunday after Pentecost First Presbyterian Church Kalispell, Montana September 30, 2018 – 10:00 am





James Tissot, Brooklyn Museum

Gathering

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship Paraphrase of Mark 9:38-40 Jesus, you'll be proud of us.

We encountered someone expelling demons in your name and we put a stop to it because he wasn't in our group.

Jesus wasn't pleased.

Don't stop them...If they are not against us, then they are for us.

You see the judgment we have to those who follow you in a different way. Jesus, teach us the generous Gospel.