# ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 12, 2017

10:30 a.m.

\* Stand if you are able

able **Bold:** Said by all

All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.

Musical Prelude

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

\* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship:** 

Are you awake? Are you alert?

Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Are you watching the signs?
Are you interpreting what is happening today?
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Do you see opportunities for ministry?

Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?

Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

Christ has extended the invitation:

let us work together in the reign of God on earth.

Gathering Hymn: "Be Still My Soul" (#749)

**Prayer of Adoration:** 

Prayer of Confession (in unison): (C.M. Battersby)

If I have wounded any one this day,
If I have caused one foot to go astray,
If I have walked in my own willful way –
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have uttered hurtful words or vain,
If I have turned aside from want or pain,
Lest I myself should suffer through the strain –
Good Lord, forgive!

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ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

If I have craved for joys that are not mine,
If I have let my wayward heart repine,
Dwelling on things of earth, not things divine –

## Good Lord, forgive!

If I have been perverse, or hard, or cold,
If I have longed for shelter in Your fold
When you have given me some part to hold –
Good Lord, forgive!

Forgive the sins I have confessed to Thee Forgive the secret sins I do not see, That which I know not, Father, do teach me – Help me to live!

### **Silent Reflection:**

<u>Assurance of Pardon:</u>

## **Sharing the Peace of Christ:**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

#### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Choir Anthem: "In The Quiet Hour" (Boersma/Lantz)

\*Children's Hymn: "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"

(#349)

Children's Time:

(children Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

## Prayer for Illumination (in unison):

O God, you alone are our Judge.
Send your Spirit of truth
to expose our self-deception
and challenge our complacency
so that we may surrender to your mercy
and follow your will
through Jesus Christ our Liberator. Amen.

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**Scriptures: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25** 

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### **SERMON**

Silent Reflection

### **OUR RESPONSE**

\* Hymn of Response: "For All The Love"

(#440)

Declaration of Faith (in unison): Living Faith 3.5 Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

\* Doxology (N.B.P. #79)

Prayer of Dedication: Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

# SENDING

\* Parting Hymn: "Rejoice, The Lord Is King" (#267)

\* Benediction:

\* "Go Now In Peace"

\* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude