

# 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 20259:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

\*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements  
Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.  
After worship please greet your neighbors by name.

## Our Approach to God

PreludeAllegrettoC.V. Stanford

The Call to Worship  
We come together this day to worship the Lord.  
**With joyful hearts we praise God’s name.**  
With hopeful spirits we sing God’s story.  
**With willing hands we work for God’s kingdom.**  
Let us celebrate our Lord and our life together in God.

\*The Hymn of PraiseSing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above483

\*The Call to Confession  
If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God Who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

\*The Prayer of Confession  
**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and we cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon  
In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\*The Gloria PatriGlory Be to the Father579  
**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.**

The AnthemBlessed Be the Name of the LordFried and Butler  
Chancel Choir

## The Word of God

The Time with the ChildrenMarsha Bennett  
The Epistle Reading1 Timothy 2:1-7page 1690  
The Gospel ReadingLuke 16:1-13page 1491  
The SermonRev. Michael Hahn

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of FaithThe Apostle’s Creed (Traditional)Hymnal, page 14

\*The HymnPraise Ye the Lord, the Almighty482

The Morning Prayers and the Lord’s Prayer (using sins)  
**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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory Trio de Flûtes *from* Suite du II. Ton Jean-Adam Guilain

\*The Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures  
here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father,  
Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Hymn *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* 422

\*The Charge and Benediction

\*The Congregational Response *Go with Us, Lord* 535  
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**

\*Postlude Ceremonial March H. Sumsion

\* Congregation Standing – for those who are able.

**Liturgist :** Peggy Donaldson

**Ushers:** Ted & Deb Easlick, Sayre Nichol, and Hugh Matson

**Greeter:** Sandra Rease

**Fellowship Hour Host:** Cheryl Kelley

**Musical Talents:** Thomas Heidenreich – Director of Music Ministry and the  
Chancel Choir

**Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for  
fellowship hour.**

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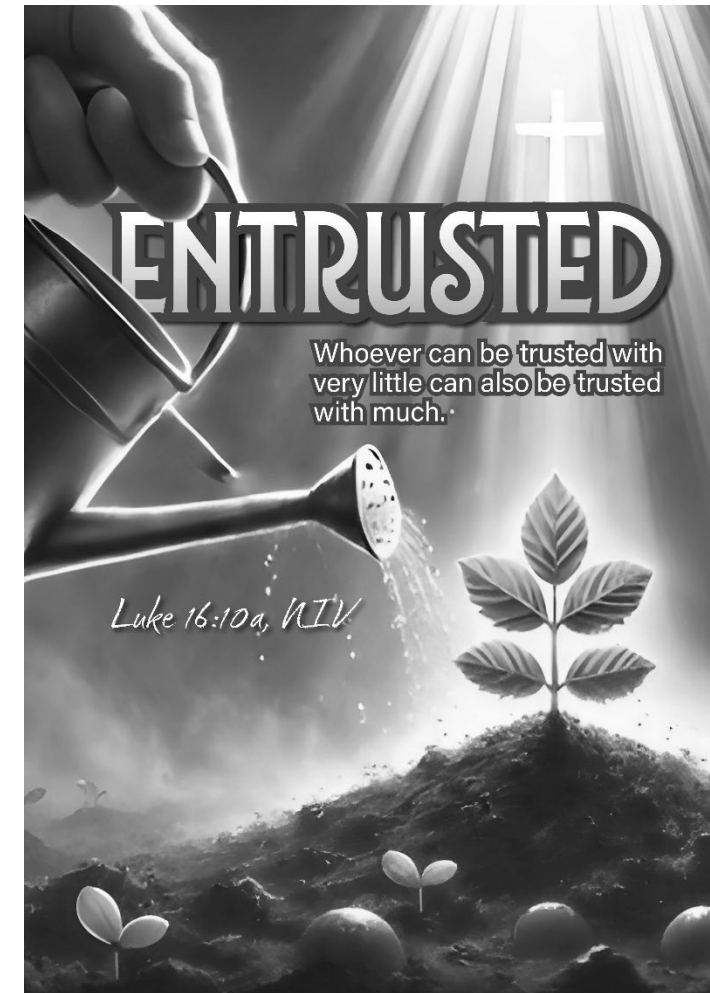
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*Seeking and Serving Christ We are a Place for Growing Christians*

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

We are so pleased to have Rev. Mike Hahn with us again today. We are grateful for his willingness to share his time and ministry with us. Reverend Hahn, we welcome you to our pulpit and thank you for leading us in worship today.

- **The office will be open Monday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** (unless otherwise noted) but, as unforeseen circumstances may occur, please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church.
- The September Session meeting is Tuesday, September 23 @ 7:00 p.m.
- The October newsletter deadline is 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 24.



## Music and Worship:

- **The sign-up sheets are out for October.** Please sign up to Greet, Usher, be a Liturgist, or host and serve Fellowship Hour. We need your help on Sunday mornings. Please see Chuck Kemerer, Cheryl Kelley, or Deb Easlick if you have any questions.
- **Communion Servers are needed for Sunday, October 5.** The sign-up sheet is on the sign-up table.

## White Elephant Sale

The White Elephant Sale is **Saturday, September 27**. You may start bringing donations TODAY September 21 immediately following worship or Monday-Friday, September 22-26 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Volunteers will be needed to help set up, work the sale, and help clean up. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering area.



Second Presbyterian Church 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat for the community is scheduled for **Sunday, October 26, 2025 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** Please consider participating as we will need a minimum of 20 cars to make the event worthwhile. A sign-up sheet is on the table outside of the Sanctuary. Candy donations will also be needed.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second:

2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second will start on **TODAY** Sunday, Sept. 21 at 10:15 in the church library. The topic will be ***What My Grandmothers Taught Me -Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus***. Study Week 1) Introduction: Tales of the Grandmothers. Week 2) Family Ties (Matthew 1). Week 3) Tamar (Genesis 38). Week 4) Rahab (Joshua 2; 6:22-25) Week 5) Ruth & Loyal Love (Ruth 1-2) Week 6) Ruth & Redemption (Ruth 3-4). Week 7) Bathsheba (2 Samuel 11-12; 1 Kings 1:11-31; 2:13-25). Week 8) Mary (Matthew 1:18-2:23). Week 9) Mary in the Faith & Tradition of the Church (Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-52; John 2:5; 19:25-27). Week 10) What Are These Women Doing in a Place Like This? (Matthew 1).

Each lesson stands alone, so if you miss one -- or more-- you won't be "lost". Please come join us whenever you can. We have a study lesson & then discuss what we've learned. We will not meet Sept. 28.

## September Mission Focus:

The September mission focus will be the ministry serving the Saginaw County Jail "It's All About the Cross." Chaplain Andy Cox, (Formerly of Forgotten Man Ministries) will be at SPC on Sunday, September 14 to explain the ministries work during the "Mission Moment." and to answer any questions immediately following the service. Our mission focus will be books for this ministry. Books must be soft cover (no staples) with a positive theme, such as inspirational/self-help books, or literature encouraging inmates to grow in their faith. They also accept puzzle books or magazines, such as crosswords or word searches. In addition to collecting books, we will also donate Bibles to the ministry to help in their outreach to those in jail. For more information on the ministry work of "It's All About the Cross," visit <http://www.crosssaginaw.org>.

# 1 Timothy 2:1-7

**2** I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— **2** for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. **3** This is good, and pleases God our Savior, **4** who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. **5** For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, **6** who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. **7** And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

# Luke 16:1-13

**16** Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. **2** So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’  
**3** “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— **4** I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’  
**5** “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’  
**6** “‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied.  
“The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’  
**7** “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’  
“‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied.  
“He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’  
**8** “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. **9** I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.  
**10** “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. **11** So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? **12** And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?  
**13** “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”