Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas First Presbyterian Church—Winnsboro, TX October 12th, 2025 Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

The Chimes, the Flames, and the Waters Greetings and Announcements
*=Stand. if able

Prelude

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 66)

Shout out to God, all the earth! Break into joyful songs to the one true God! Sing of the glory due His name, and offer the most magnificent praises!

All Your works are wonderful! The entire earth bows down to worship You, singing songs of praise and glory to Your name.

Come, let's bless God together! Let's praise the One who gives us life and keeps us safe; who watches over us, and keeps our feet from stumbling.

Psalm 66:1-12

Opening Prayer/ The Lord's Prayer

*Opening Hymn #472 "O Sing to the Lord"

Prayer of Confession: God of Grace, we bring to you our ingratitude for all that you have done for us, our impatience when prayers seem to be ignored, our selfishness when prompted to give or share, our unfaithfulness when wandering from your way.

We ask for your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ who gave all, that we might learn to do likewise. **Amen**

Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri "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."

Special Music - Patricia

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

*Hymn # 466 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Special Music - Sandy C.

Special-Tyler

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

*Hymn #272 "God of the Sparrow"

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

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

The Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn # 326 Red Hymnal "Nearer, My God to Thee"

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: #2226 STF "Bind Us Together"
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.

Call to Worship, Opening prayer - re: Worship website
Confession - written by John Birch, and posted on **Faith and Worship**Assurance of Pardon - written by Thom Shuman, and posted on his Lectionary Liturgies blog
Prayer of Intercession: written by Thom Shuman, and posted on his excellent **Lectionary Liturgies**website.

Benediction - written by Henrietta Stith Andrews, and posted on the United Church of Christ's **Worship Ways** website

