



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

Service for the Lord's Day

October 11, 2026

10:30 AM

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

Regular text is read by minister.

Bold text is read by congregation.

*Please stand as you are able.

THE GATHERING

The prelude is a time of music for quiet reflection to prepare our hearts for worship.

PRELUDE

Three settings of *Sandon*

Charles Callahan (I)
& William McNair (II, III)

Three settings of *Holy Manna*

William McNair (I, II)
& John Ferguson (III)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Those attending worship are invited to fill out a blue card in the pew to register your attendance or express interest in the church's programs. You may place the cards in the offering plates as you depart at the end of the service. Those worshipping online are invited to click the blue tab on the worship page, "Visiting FPC? Let's Connect!"

INTROIT

Bountiful God

Christine Manderfeld

Bountiful God, to you we sing our praise.

Faithful God, enlighten our hearts.

Together we sing your praise; loving God, we recount all your wonders.

Praise to you, Creator, Word, and Spirit, through ages unending. Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Each morning, God provided mana for the journey.

Give us this day our daily bread.

God did not give the people everything they wanted.

But God gave them what they needed.

Paul learned to live with plenty and with little.

Teach us the freedom of contentment.

Come, let us worship the God who meets us with grace, day by day.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*Unison*)

Faithful God,
we often want enough for tomorrow,
enough for every possibility,
enough to make us certain that nothing will ever go wrong.
But you invite us to receive this day as a gift.
Teach us to trust you for today's bread, today's grace,
today's strength, and today's opportunities to love.
Give us grateful hearts and contented spirits.
Amen.

***HYMN #396**

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Unison*)

God of daily bread,
we confess that we have trouble trusting you.
We hoard because we are afraid.
We compare because we feel inadequate.
We want more because we fear that what we have will not be enough.
Forgive us for living as though everything depends upon us.
Teach us to receive rather than grasp,
to trust rather than fear,
and to share rather than hoard.
Give us the courage to believe that your grace will meet us again tomorrow.

Prayers of confession continue in silence.

***LORD, HAVE MERCY #576**

(choir first, then all)

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The God who provided manna in the wilderness still provides.
The God who met Paul in abundance and in need still meets us.
And the God whose grace is sufficient for us has not abandoned us.
Receive the good news:
God's grace is enough.
God's love is enough.
God is enough.
In Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE #694 (verse 1)**

**Great God of ev'ry blessing, of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.**

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***SHARING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

Please take a moment to greet those around you with God's peace.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Linda Grabe

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 16:2-18

Pew Bible, OT p. 62

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

Jean Berger

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their food in due season.

Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 4:10-13

Pew Bible, NT p. 199

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Daily Bread"

Rev. Dr. Joan Miller

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN #686

God of Our Life

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Unison*)

We believe in God,
the giver of every good gift,
the source and sustainer of all that is.
We believe that all we have and all we are comes from God's generous hand.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
who teaches us that life is more than possessions,
that our worth is more than what we own,
and that our treasure reveals our hearts.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who frees us from fear and scarcity,
teaches us contentment,
and opens our hands to generosity.
We confess that we are often tempted by more—
more wealth, more security, more recognition,
more than we need and more than we can hold.
Yet we trust that in God there is enough:
enough grace for our failures,
enough love for our brokenness,
enough bread for the journey,
and enough abundance to share.
Therefore, we choose gratitude over entitlement,
wisdom over impulse, contentment over comparison,
trust over fear, and generosity over accumulation.
We offer ourselves and all that we have for the healing of the world
and the flourishing of our neighbors.
For everything belongs to God,
and we are blessed to be stewards of God's gifts.
Thanks be to God.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Thank you for your faithful support.
Contributions to the life and ministry of this congregation may be made by:*

- Leaving your gifts in the offering plates as you depart.
- Mailing a check to the church office.
- Scanning the QR code on the right.
- Visiting firstpresportland.org.



OFFERTORY

We Are an Offering

Dwight Liles

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you.
We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #717

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

— Carl P. Daw Jr., 1987

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Unison*)

**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**

THE SENDING

*HYMN #643

Now Thank We All Our God

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

J.S. Bach (arr. Virgil Fox)

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We join in holding in prayer: Dennis Bradley, Kathy Callas, Doug Marcks, and others facing illness and loss.

You can request prayer by calling 503-228-7331 x 2 or emailing prayer@firstpresportland.org. Please let us know whether you would like someone to follow up with you and whether your request should be shared publicly or kept confidential.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Today's sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of John & Ann Smeaton by Janet & David Leatherwood.

VISITING US?

We're so happy to welcome you to FPC!

Please take a moment to fill out a visitor card (located in the back of the pews) or scan the QR code to the right for a digital version.

*We hope you'll join us at coffee hour in Geneva Hall after the service.
We'd love to get to know you!*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Appreciation Day

When: Today, Sun, Oct 11, all day

Where: Sanctuary & Geneva Hall

Today, we have an opportunity to thank the pastors who shepherd our church family here at FPC.

Their care shows up in sermons, hospital visits, and quiet moments we may never see. You can show them that same love by signing a card at coffee hour, offering a hug, or just saying "thank you." If you would like to send a get-well or well-wishes card for Pastor Brenna specifically, please bring or mail it to the church with her name on it. We will make sure it is delivered to her. *A card-signing table will be in Geneva Hall after service today.*

My Omaha: Screening & Conversation

When: Fri, Oct 23, 6:00 pm (doors at 5:30 pm)

Where: Chapel

Service Beyond Our Walls invites you to a screening of *My Omaha*, a new documentary about racial justice, family, political division, and the difficult work of staying connected across deeply held differences. Director Nick Beaulieu and Omaha community organizer Leo Louis II will join us live after the film for an audience conversation. Admission and parking are free, but space is limited! RSVPs are appreciated at this link: shorturl.at/GSYZ3

Menucha's Annual Fall Tree Walk

When: Sat, Oct 24, 1:00-3:00 pm

Where: Menucha Retreat Center

Menucha's Annual Fall Tree Walk is coming up later this month! Begin with a warm drink and a cookie, then set out on a self-guided stroll to enjoy the beauty of Menucha's trees in their autumn colors.

Menucha's Fall Work Party

When: Sat, Oct 31, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where: Menucha Retreat Center

Be prepared for a spooky time at Menucha's next work party on Halloween (costumes optional)!

The main project for this work party is reconstructing seating pods donated by Creative Neighborhoods. Lunch included! Sign up now by emailing hello@menucha.org.

Sign Up Now: PWM Bake & Craft Sale

When: Sun, Nov 22, 11:30 am

Where: Geneva Hall

The PWM Bake and Craft Sale is coming up soon! If you plan to donate items to this sale, now is a great time to start thinking about what you'd like to share. We'd love to have a myriad of items available—baked goods, jams, pickles, garden bounty, handmade crafts, soaps, potholders, or other creative items! Sign up at this link: shorturl.at/UAjoV

Got Calendars?

It is that time of year when many of us are receiving 2027 calendars in the mail. Often we don't need them ourselves, but we'd like to offer them to our friends at Alder House and Julia West House. A labeled box will be placed in Geneva Hall by the food drop off bin for you to donate all your 2027 unused, new calendars. Thank you!



FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

ESTHER 4:14

Giving Campaign 2027

Today, Rev. Joan will offer the third sermon of our “Enough” series. These sermons are meant for each of us to think about our relationship with the resources we have been given. This includes the amount of money we have and how we use it. Our culture encourages us to want more money and to buy more things. The real issue is how much do we need and how will we use it?

As you ponder these questions about your money, thoughtfully consider how you are spending it. Above all, where is God leading you in these considerations?

- FPC Stewardship Committee -

This Week at FPC

Sun	10/11	11:30 am	Coffee Hour Fellowship (Geneva Hall)
Tue	10/13	7:00 pm	Accidental Saints Discussion (chapters 12-14, Zoom)
Thu	10/15	10:00 am	Women's Open Circle (Heritage & Zoom)
Fri	10/16	11:00 am	Practical Theology (John Knox & Zoom)
		1:00 pm	Two Dudes (John Knox & Zoom)
Sun	10/18	9:00 am	Lectionary Study Group (John Knox & Zoom)

Email hello@firstpresportland.org for more information & Zoom links.

FPC's Vision Statement

We are committed to loving God and loving our neighbors. We do this through being a church that is:

Engaged: A forward-thinking and involved congregation committed to each other and to the wider community.

Inclusive: A faith community that affirms and welcomes all people.

Compassionate: A congregation that follows in Christ's way, advancing the well-being and dignity of all people, working for a just and equitable society, and caring for all creation.

Faithful: Living our faith authentically with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love while expanding the circle where God's love is known.



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