

PRELUDE

Fugue on the name of *A-L-A-I-N*, Op. 7

Maurice Duruflé

GREETING

This is the day that the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(taken from Psalm 19)*

There will be a new heaven and a new earth;

We are waiting for the reign of God.

The home of God will be among us;

We are preparing for the reign of God.

God will wipe away every tear from our eye;

We are expecting the reign of God.

Death will be no more! Crying and pain and sorrow will be no more!

Until that day comes, we are waiting , preparing, and expecting the reign of God to come.

We gather our hearts to worship our God, who is eternal, and whose love knows no end.

Amen and Amen!

* **HYMN 326** For all the Saints SINE NOMINE

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

* **PRAYER OF BROKENNESS/CONFESSION**

Almighty God, we come to You knowing that we have not done our best, loved our best, hoped our best. We have given up, we have broken up, and we have failed to do what we ought to have done. We have not served one another, but have served ourselves first. We have not loved one another as we love ourselves. We have failed to be an example as the saints before us; we have failed to witness to Your love in this lifetime. Forgive us. Call us back to Your ways. Open our hearts to our neighbors, to the strangers in the world around us, to all of Your children, and may we remember we are one of them. In the name of Christ, who served us all, giving himself up for us in the greatest act of love imaginable, we pray. *(Silent Confession)*

In Your name we pray, **Amen.**

* **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to those around you saying...)

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

* **RESPONSE 436** God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

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God of com - pas - sion, in mer - cy be - friend us, giv - er of grace for our
needs all - a - vail - ing. Wis - dom and strength for each day ev - er send us,
pa - tience un - tir - ing and cour - age un - fail - ing.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Following the Blessing of the Children, children 3rd grade and younger may go to Room 110 for Godly Play.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSON Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (Page 441 in Pew Bible)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM Shall We Gather At The River Dale Wood

LESSON Hebrews 11:32-12:2 (Page 978 in Pew Bible)

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SERMON REALITY ACCORDING TO THE SAINTS
Jessie and Bill

* **HYMN 309** Come, Great God of All the Ages ABBOT’S LEIGH

ROLL OF SAINTS

Barbara Treece	November 21, 2016
James Alan Wilkins	November 21, 2016
Wendene W. Shoupe	April 5, 2017
Grant Nathaniel Hamlin	April 24, 2017
Frederick Wyman	June 1, 2017
Jane Feller	June 14, 2017
Carroll Scarborough	August 12, 2017
Judy K. Michener	August 26, 2017
Jean Musgrave	August 28, 2017
Gwen Esch	October 15, 2017
Kerm A. Haas	October 22, 2017
Mary Margaret Federici	October 24, 2017

LITANY OF LIFE

May the God who is beyond all time bless you;

Let us dance for Joy that our past, our present, and our future are held safe and secure in God’s loving arms.

May Jesus the Peace Maker bless you;

Let us celebrate Life as it is found in this particular community of faith, in all its struggles and in all its joys.

May God the Spirit bless you on your journey;

Let us walk with Saints and Angels in the wisdom and wildness of Love. Amen

OFFERING

Offertory Requiescant in pace T. Tertius Noble

Souls of the Righteous, in the hand of God, nor hurt nor torment cometh them anigh; O holy hope of immortality. Souls of the Righteous, in the hand of God.

Souls of the Righteous, in the hand of God, to eyes of men unwise they seem to die, they are at peace, O fairest liberty. Souls of the Righteous, in the hand of God.

On earth as children chastened by Love’s rod, as gold in furnace tried, so now on High they shine like stars, a golden galaxy. Souls of the Righteous, in the hand of God.

* **RESPONSE 643** Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice - es, who won-drous things hath
done, in whom this world re - joic - es; who, from our moth-ers' arms, hath blessed us on our
way with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

And, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

INSTITUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

SERVING OF THE PEOPLE

Please proceed via the center aisle. Take a piece of bread and dip in the cup. Gluten free wafers are available.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we have been fed by your Spirit, O God of power, may the boldness of the Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us and may the gifts of your Spirit equip us, to serve and worship you always. Amen.

MESSAGES OF OUR LIFE IN COMMUNITY

* **HYMN 550** Give Praise to the Lord LAUDATE DOMINUM

* **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in C Major

Georg Böhm

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WELCOME TO FPC FINDLAY

We hope that you experience the power of God's presence while you are among us this morning. We are a busy congregation, seeking to find God's vision for us as we confront a changing and challenging world. There are many ways we try to be faithful to God. We invite you to join us in these ministries. See our website for more information or contact Pastor Bill Lindeman or Assoc. Pastor Jessie Myers blindeman@findlayfpc.org jessie@findlayfpc.org

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Childcare is provided on the first floor in Room 110. A paging system is available.

Children up to 3rd grade, following the *Blessing of the Children*, will be escorted to Room 110 for *GODLY PLAY* children's worship. They can be picked up after worship from that space.

Red Worship Bags for children preschool age through third grade and **White Worship Bags** for 4th - 8th graders are available on the rack in the Narthex.

Please return the worship bags to the tray under the rack following worship.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Bill Lindeman

Interim Associate Pastor: Rev. Jessie Myers

Director of Music: Brent Neuenschwander

Lay Reader: Leland Watson

Greeters & Ushers: Kendra Sponsler, Pat Haley, and Missy Schaller

Musicians: Chancel Choir, GatherRing Handbell Choir

Audio: Andrew Pueschel

Video Crew: Director: Duncan McMath

Camera Operators: Karissa Brown and Jody O'Brien

Video Sound: Ned Niswander

Video Editor: Rollie Smith

WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers for worship are given by Don Beck in memory of loved ones.

The First Presbyterian Church follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together as Christians. Traditionally, various colors are used for each season. Today, ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY is a day to honor all people, known and unknown, who have reached the Church Triumphant. It is a time to remember relatives, along with Apostles, Reformers, and Martyrs who have borne witness to the Christian faith. The day reminds us that we are not alone in our pilgrimage, but are part of one "holy catholic church, the communion of saints." We are surrounded by "a great cloud of witnesses." The color of the day is **WHITE**, symbolizing light, purity and joy.

Friendship Pad: Members and visitors - during the Offering please sign the friendship pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign. The friendship pad is located on the seat of the pew closest to the center aisle.

* Please stand if you are able

Bold type indicates congregational response

It's appropriate to use the congregational **AMEN** at the conclusion of all prayers in the service.

We ask that you please turn all cell phones to "silent" during the worship service.

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10:45 A.M. TODAY

SEMINAR.....FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come and join Pastors Bill and Jessie to reflect on today's sermon.

CHARACTER BUILDERS.....ROOM 210

Come and join a discussion led by Nancy Wilczynski where we will talk about the subject "Faithful God, Unfaithful People".

ANNOUNCEMENTS

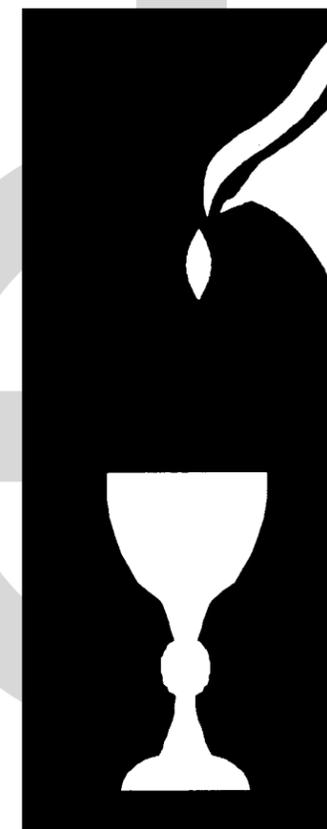
The **Artist Series** will present Brent Neuenschwander on organ, Sunday **November 12th** at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The concert is free and a free-will offering will be taken. The recital will feature works by J.S. Bach, Alexandre Guilmant, a large variation set on the *Star-Spangled Banner*, and other works showcasing the Aeolian-Skinner organ. We hope to see you there!

Youth Group – Food and Faith, November 19th! Come and talk about the sermon with us and enjoy some tasty pizza and breadsticks. Invite a friend!

The Choir would like to invite you to come and sing with them for the Advent Lessons and Carols on December 10th! The rehearsals will be on November 8th, 15th, 29th, and December 6th from 7:00-8:00 pm. Come sign up and join us as this wonderful season approaches! If you would like to participate, please email Brent Neuenschwander at brent@findlayfpc.org and all music will be prepared and ready for the first rehearsal.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Service for
the Lord's Day*

NOVEMBER 5, 2017
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
9:30 A.M. – SANCTUARY

We are an active open community of Christians seeking to know and glorify God, nurturing all people and sharing Christ's love and teachings.