

the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - Responsive

Our response this morning is: *hear our prayer.*

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION - UNISON**

We give you thanks and praise, O God, for you have chosen the poverty of the world to make your people rich in faith. Help us to put our faith into practice through the offering of our lives— giving food to the hungry, clothes to the naked, and shelter to the poor; all for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, your Word made flesh. Amen.

Sending

"Thine Is the Glory"

Budry, 1884

***HYMN #238**

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

The blessing of the holy, triune God, who was and is and is to come—first and last, beginning and end, Alpha and Omega—be with you now and always. *Alleluia!*
Go in peace to love the Lord your God with heart and soul and mind and strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself. *Amen.*

***RESPONSE #742**

"We Will Walk with God"

Bell, 2002

POSTLUDE

Selected



**First
Presbyterian
Church**

Henderson, Texas

"Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences"

(*) Please rise in body or in spirit.
Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

Service for the Lord's Day

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2019

The Lord will come to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

May we be ever grateful Lord, that you have plans and dreams for us
bigger than our mortal imaginations. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Selected
Rev. Michele R. Goff

INTROIT

"Be My Home"
(Chancel Choir)

*CALL TO WORSHIP - Responsive

Liturgist - Steve Lowe

Come, you who are burdened. **Come worship God, who sets us free.**

Come, you who are weary. **Come follow the Spirit, who gives us strength.**

Come, you who are seeking. **Come listen to Christ, who teaches us the way.**

Come, you who are you willing. **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN #611

"JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE"

VAN DYKE, 1907

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CONFESSION

SILENT REFLECTION

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You are the God of the living, breathing life into every corner of death. Forgive us, Lord, when we do not recognize your Life: when we ask the wrong questions or do not hear the answers; when we choose empty silence over faithful words; when we choose empty words over faithful silence; when we choose not to act when faithful action seems risky.

Forgive us, O Lord, God of the living, for our lives depend on your Life.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! *Thanks be to God.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; Righteousness and peace will kiss each other. The peace of Christ be with you all. *And also with you.*

Please exchange signs of our Lord's peace with those around you.

*GLORIA PATRI

#580

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.

Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Our younger Christians are invited to come forward for their special time. After, children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary for worship, or may go to our supervised playroom/nursery.

ANTHEM

"For Where Love Is"

(Chancel Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Haggai 2:1-9

Bibles,p.827/LG.p.1071

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

GREEK SCRIPTURE

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5; 13-17

Bibles,p.194/LG.p.241

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN #493

"Now There Is No Male or Female"

Miller, 1985

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

Luke 20:27-38

Bibles, p.79/ LG. p.103

The word of God, for the people of God. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

"The One with the Sadducees"

Rev. Michele R. Goff

ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

Response

*HYMN #644

"Give Thanks, O Christian People"

Cathey, 1984

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - UNISON

The Affirmation of Faith is adapted from the Confession of 1967 (9.32-33)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to