



Out of her poverty

[she] has put in ...
all she had to live on.

Mark 12:44, NRSV

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Come, Ye Thankful People Come
Dr. Terry McRoberts

arr. McDonald

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Stacey McAdams

One: God of all blessings, you bless us richly.

ALL: *God of all love, you love us wholly.*

One: God of forgiveness, you forgive us entirely.

ALL: *God who speaks in language beyond words, you call us tenderly.*

One: God of compassion, you nurture us patiently.

ALL: *God of righteousness, you challenge us fiercely.*

One: God of our hearts, you move us profoundly.

ALL: *God of our lives, we recognize the power of your Spirit in this place,
and we listen for your word. Amen*

MUSIC

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Dr. Terry McRoberts

NETTLETON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Rev. John White

One: Merciful God, you send us to speak good news to those who are oppressed, but we confess that we are often shallow witnesses of your presence. When we fail to translate the language of our hearts into one that includes all people:

ALL: *Living God, forgive us and renew our lives with your Spirit.*

One: When we alienate others by our judgmental and hard-hearted attitudes:

ALL: *Living God, forgive us and renew our lives with your Spirit.*

One: When our witness fails to reveal a heartfelt desire to spread the good news of peace, love, justice and mercy to a world sorely in need of such news:

ALL: *Living God, forgive us and renew our lives with your Spirit. We come to you in penitence and faith, praying that your love – so clearly communicated by Jesus will be rewritten on our hearts and revealed in our lives through the power of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. John White

One: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away, see, everything has become new! We have been reconciled to God through Christ and all this is from God who does not count our trespasses against us – but entrusts us with the message of reconciliation. (Based on Corinthians 5:17-19) The good news therefore is this: In Jesus Christ we are renewed, we are loved, and we are forgiven.

ALL: *Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!*

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Libby Smith

MINUTE FOR MISSION: A WORD ABOUT STEWARDSHIP

David Greene

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

MUSIC

This is My Father's World
Helen Redding, piano | Terry McRoberts, organ

arr. Sprunger

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Stacey McAdams

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 12:41-44

Elder Stacey McAdams

HOMILY

"Investing Wisely"

Rev. John White

RESPONSE

OFFERING

Rev. John White

*Doxology (Tune: 591)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Elder Stacey McAdams

SENDING

CHARGE

Rev. John White

BENEDICTION

Rev. John White

POSTLUDE

Prelude on O QUANTA QUALIA
Dr. Terry McRoberts

Matthews



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SMALL GROUPS @ FPC | FALL 2020

We hope you'll join us on Wednesday, October 14th for small group activities. Classes will begin at 5:30 and end at 6:15. Children's programming will be offered at the same time. We will also offer carryout meals after small groups.

MENU | Wednesday, October 14: Caesar salad; chicken parmesan; buttered noodles; roasted brussel sprouts; butter carrots; bread sticks; lemon cake

KIDS ~ pizza & fries; fruit pouch; carrot stix & cucumber slices; cheese stick; cookie; juice box

Reservations are due to the church office by Monday at 3pm. Prices are: \$7 adults, \$5 children, \$20 maximum.

THANK YOU

To my Church Family:

You don't know how much I appreciate your prayers, cards, notes and kind expressions of love and sympathy during my brother's illness and death and my surgery and recuperation. Thank you for thinking of me and my family and being such a comfort. I look forward to being back at church soon.

Eleanor Cahill

I want to thank my choir and Church Family for the cards and prayers for us after my sister's death on September 17. We greatly appreciate your kindness.

Pam Chambers

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Please mark your calendars for these upcoming **CT Meetings**

Abigail Circle : October 12 @ 10 am—This circle will meet at Jenny Craig's home (64 Stonehaven Circle)

Evening Circle : October 12 @ 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall

PRAYER PROGRAM: Each week we randomly select individuals or families for whom we encourage everyone to pray. For the week of September 6, please pray for: **Joey, Lori, Mae and James Howell; Bill Hymers; Cynthia Jones**

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27:

October 11 – Oliver Smith

October 12 – Julie Shoaf; Norma Smith

October 14 – Polly Pledger

October 15 – Bruce Herron; Libby Reynolds

October 16 – Jim Marple

October 17 – Carly Ann Fry

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11:

October 11 – Joshua & Katie Bowman; Mark & Susan Harris

October 12 – Reagan & Eden Barnhart

October 17 – John & Debbie Shires