

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**October 11, 2015**  
**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

**8:30 and 11 a.m.**

## **Welcome to worship this morning.**

- First Presbyterian Church welcomes families with young children. Staffed nursery care is available during worship. Audio from the worship service can be heard in the library (adjacent to the sanctuary) and social hall.
- If you are visiting because of medical treatment at Mayo Clinic we offer our prayers for healing.
- Our activities and programs are open to all, member and friend alike.
- We invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship in the social hall following the 8:30 service and in the atrium following the 11:00 service.

*\* As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones. \**

## **Gathering**

### **Prelude**

A Medley of Spirituals  
Give Me Jesus; My Lord, What a Morning; Balm in Gilead  
Jubilate Deo Handbell Choir

Lee J. Afdahl

*Our worship begins with the prelude. Let the power of the music speak to you of God's glory;  
let its quietness tell you of God's peace; let its beauty lift your hearts in prayer.*

### **Greeting and Welcome**

Please sign the Opportunity for Friendship Register and pass it to the person next to you.

### **Minute for Madrigal Christmas Feaste**

### **Minute for Stewardship**

Jane Hallman

### **Opening Prayer**

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 22

(8:30) Ken Aalderks  
(11:00) Otis Laurberg

*O God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.*

**In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted you, and you delivered them.**

*To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.*

**O God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!**

### **◆ Hymn 4**

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

### **Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)**

*God is not far from us. When trouble is near, God is our help and our refuge. Let us  
confess our sins to God, that we might receive mercy.*

### **Silent Confession**

### **Kyrie 604**

Lamb of God

AGNUS DEI (Farlee)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace; grant us peace.

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Life-giving God, giver of every good and perfect gift, we have misused and misunderstood your blessings. We stuff our lives with possessions, our schedules with busyness, our bodies with excess, but these things leave us empty. Distracted by the immediate, we overlook the eternal. In our pride we try to manufacture our fulfillment rather than receive it as your gift. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us. Satisfy our hungers with the bread of heaven; quench our thirst with your living water. Satisfy us with your love, that obeying your will and serving your glory may fill us till we want no more. We pray these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Words of Life**

*Rest assured that we can approach the throne of grace with boldness, and we will receive mercy and find grace in our time of need. In Jesus Christ we find the forgiveness that we seek. Amen.*

◆ **Response (see page 1)** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

◆ **Passing of the Peace**

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Let us share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another!*

***The Word***

**Prayer for Illumination 460** (st. 1) (seated) Break Thou the Bread of Life BREAD OF LIFE  
Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.  
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord. My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

**Reading from the Psalms** Psalm 22:1-13

**Anthem** (8:30) Upon Your Heart Eleanor Daley  
Chancel Choir

(from Song of Solomon 8:6,7; John 15:9-12)

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.  
Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.  
If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my love, Love one another as I have loved you,  
Then shall your joy be complete.

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.  
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(11:00) Simple Gifts Michael Mauldin  
Calvin Choir; Katie Kruger, director; Barbara Depman, accompanist

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed. To turn, turn will be our delight, till by turning, turning we come 'round right.

**Time for All Our Young Worshippers**

**Hymn 487** (stanza 1) These Treasured Children PUER NOBIS NASCITUR  
These treasured children present now are bound to us by sacred vow:  
with love, we make a heartfelt claim to welcome them in Jesus' name.  
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**Sacrament of Baptism** (8:30 a.m.) (see page 4) Luke Michael Winter  
Lauren Elizabeth Winter  
Son and Daughter of Mark and Maureen Winter  
Brother and Sister of Matthew Winter

*Pass Prayer Cards to the aisle. An usher will collect them.*

Children through third grade may go to room E206 for Kids' Zone or are welcome to stay with their parents in worship. Children above third grade should stay in worship.

**Reading from the Old Testament**

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia Response 587**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA

**Message**

*The Ballad of a Man Named Job: part 2*

Rev. T. J. Parlette

*\*\* A Moment for Reflection \*\**

***Our Response***

◆ **Hymn 816**

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

◆ **Affirmation of Faith**

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer** (using 'debts' and 'debtors')

**Offertory**

At the Offertory

(8:30) If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments (John 14:15-17)

Thomas Tallis

Chancel Choir

If ye love Me, keep My commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever. Even the Spirit of truth, that He may abide with you for ever.

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(11:00)

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown

Dale Wood

◆ **Offertory Response**

KINGDOM

For the gifts which you have given, for the love which you have poured,  
for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.

◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**Gracious God, we present these gifts and renew our commitment to leave everything behind and follow you. Give us the courage to fulfill your will so that with everything we do and say we can become a living offering worthy of being called your disciple. Amen.**

***Sending***

◆ **Hymn 265**

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

◆ **Benediction**

◆ **Benediction Response 748**

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

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**Postlude**

Festal Finale

Henry Coleman

Those who wish may be seated for the postlude. Our music is offered to the glory of God; if you want to express your appreciation, a spoken "Amen" or "Praise God" is appropriate.

# ***Sacrament of Baptism***

(8:30 a.m.)

## **Introduction**

## **Presentation**

## **Professions of Intent and Faith**

## **Blessing of the Water**

## **Baptism**

## **Welcome**

*Elder: Luke Michael Winter and Lauren Elizabeth Winter are now received into the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. Through baptism God has made them members of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. People of this congregation, I charge you to nurture and support Luke and Lauren, that they and all baptized children may become faithful disciples.*

**Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Luke Michael Winter and Lauren Elizabeth Winter and all children into Christ's church. We promise to love, encourage, support and share the gospel with all children that they may know and follow Christ.**

*Elder: The peace of God be with you*

**Congregation: And also with you.**

## **Response 188**

Jesus Loves Me (st. 1)

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

*The baptismal candle and rose are gifts from the congregation to the family of Luke and Lauren. The rose symbolizes our joy in the life of each child and the candle symbolizes our commitment as a congregation to support the parents in raising their children in the Christian faith. The baptismal banner celebrates the sacrament of baptism. The shell with drops of water is a symbol of Jesus' baptism. The water of Baptism links us to the goodness of God's creation, the grace of God's covenant with our ancestors and the living water offered by Jesus.*

### **About Our Church**

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor  
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor  
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist

Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator  
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager  
Diane M. Johnston, Custodian

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*The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Rochester  
is to reflect God's love for all people by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Member: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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## **Calendar for the week of October 11 – October 18 (and beyond)**

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### **TODAY – October 11**

We thank all who are sharing their ministries in worship today.

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Bruce and Vicki Wolff in memory of loved ones.

A **nursery** for infants through 2-year-olds is staffed throughout the morning. We also offer a quiet space for nursing mothers. An usher would be happy to direct you if you don't know where the nursery is located.

#### **Education hour:**

9:40-10:45: Nursery - preschool (2-years-old)

9:40-10:20: Calvin Choir for grades 2-5

9:40-10:20: Sunday school for age 3-grade 1

9:40-10:45: Sunday school/education hour for grades 6 – adult education

10:20-10:50: Cherub Choir for age 4-grade 1

10:20-11:00: Sunday school for grade 2-5

#### **Adults:**

9:40 a.m.: *Kerygma Bible Study* in south fireside room ... *Matthew*

9:40 a.m.: Class will attend the report of the Bdecan Mission Team in the social hall.

9:40 a.m.: *Parenting Class* in room A-101 ... "Grace Based Parenting"

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

The **Bdecan Mission Team** invites you to a short program in the social hall between services. The team will show slides and share with the congregation what they provided and experienced in Tokio, North Dakota this summer.

A **Festival of Music** will present Gabriel Preisser, lyric baritone, in the opening concert of the 2015-2016 season at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. His program is titled "The Melody Lingers On."

### **MONDAY – October 12**

**Interfaith Hospitality Training** at 6:30 p.m. at Zumbro Lutheran Church. For more information, call Ken Boyer (282-3776) or Karen Sessler (226-3420).

### **TUESDAY – October 13**

**Festival of Music Committee** will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the lounge.

### **WEDNESDAY – October 14**

**Madrigal Singers** rehearse at 6:15 p.m.

**NO choir, supper, youth groups, bells, or Bible Study** because of Education Minnesota workshops. Programs will resume October 21.

### **THURSDAY – October 15**

Items for the **November newsletter** are due either in the office or e-mailed to fpc\_carol@hotmail.com.

**Jubilate Deo Bells** rehearses at 6:15 p.m.

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

### **SATURDAY – October 17**

The **FPC Habitat for Humanity** team will work from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or whenever you need to leave). If you would like to help (no construction experience necessary), please contact Sarah Edgerton (edgertonsarah@gmail.com or 536-9637) for the location and work description. This is the last scheduled work day for the FPC team for this year.

**Ruth Circle** will meet at 10 a.m. in the lounge.

The **Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery** of the Twin Cities Area will be held at North Presbyterian Church, No. St. Paul. The theme for the day is "Haiti: Poorest of the Poor."

### **SUNDAY – October 18 (Stewardship Kickoff)**

**Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.**

A two-week **new member class** begins October 18. Anyone interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, or in finding out more about our church, is welcome. The class will meet in the conference room (A-209) at 9:40 a.m. If you decide to join, new members will meet with the Session October 25 and be recognized by the congregation at the 11 a.m. service that day.

**Take a hike!** Meet at the **Willow Creek Reservoir** at 1 p.m. The parking lot is at the end of Lone Pine Drive SW. We will hike the trail that goes around the reservoir and enjoy the beautiful fall colors. We will also talk a little about the history of Rochester flood control. We might even get to see the eagles that have a nest in the area.

### **SUNDAY – October 25**

**Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.**

Tickets for the **Madrigal Christmas Feaste** go on sale after each worship service October 25 and November 1. Cost is \$25 per person. We will sell 96 tickets. No reservations will be taken; if you can't be in church October 25 or November 1, you need to have someone purchase tickets for you and list your name. There's a six ticket limit for each purchaser. Seats will be assigned. If you want to sit with specific people, you must tell the ticket sellers when you buy your tickets and buy them at the same time. (Madrigal Committee)

### **For Your Information**

The **Peace & Global Witness Offering** (formerly Peacemaking) was dedicated October 4, although you can contribute any time in October by sending your donation to the church or putting it in the office pale on a Sunday. Please note "Peacemaking" on your check.

The Worship and Music Committee has just published "**Stained Glass Splendor**," a book about the history and meaning of the stained glass windows in the sanctuary and library. You can buy a copy in the office for \$15. Make check to "FPC."

October is First Presbyterian's month to provide paper products and other needed items for the **Gift of Life Transplant House**. A list of requested items and a box for your contributions are in the foyer.

If you have questions about your **Statement of Contributions** that you received last week for the 3rd quarter, call Sue Kruger or Carol Evans (282-1618) and we'll be happy to talk through it. Thanks for your continuing support!

**Implementation Committee.** We are outfitting the multipurpose room to support many activities with an emphasis on youth activity areas. To this end we have several upcoming work opportunities at our church. Starting September 30 and continuing over the next three or four weeks, we will have volunteer work that could be done by our members. Work includes hanging drywall and studs, taping, painting, hanging doors, and some clean out work. Work can be scheduled either during day or evening hours depending on people's schedules. If interested, contact Ron Kreinbring (282-5568).