

First Presbyterian Church



512 Third Street SW

Rochester, Minnesota 55902

Phone 282-1618

Service for the Lord's Day
October 25, 2015
Reformation Sunday

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

Jesus Shall Reign
Alleluia Ringers

Martha Lynn Thompson

*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.

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-3

(8:30) Judy Felten
(11:00) Pat Keith

*I will bless the Lord at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
Let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
Let us exalt God's name together!*

◆ **Hymn 41**

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

LYONS

Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

*Let us confess our sins to God, who alone has the power to save and waits in mercy
to forgive.*

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

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Life

People of God, the Lord hears, forgives, and saves. Therefore, be reconciled to one another and walk humbly before God. Amen.

- ◆ **Response 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 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.

Reception of New Member (11:00)

- ◆ **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 34:1-8, 19-22

Anthem (8:30) Taste and See (Psalm 34) Randolph Currie
 Youth Trio and congregation (please join in refrain) ; Barbara Depman, accompanist
 (Refrain)

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain: "Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord;". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "taste and see the good-ness of God!". The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words like "Taste" and "taste" having a greater-than sign (>) above them, indicating a longer note value.

Copyright © 1985 G.I.A. Publications, Inc., Chicago. All rights reserved.

I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall be ever on my lips, I will glory in the Lord forever, the lowly will hear, and be glad! **(Refrain)**
 Glorify the Lord with me, forever let us praise His name! I called out to God and He heard my cry; from all my fears, He set me free. **(Refrain)**
 Look to God and be happy, and never let your faces be sad! For our Father hears and answers when we call His Name, and comforts His children when they are afraid. **(Refrain)**

(11:00) **And the Father Will Dance** (Psalm 34) Mark Hayes
 Chancel Choir

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves. Is that the choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song! And He will joy over you in song!
 My soul will make its boast in God, for He has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day.
 Awake my soul! Awake, my soul! Awake, my soul, and sing! Let my spirit rejoice, let my spirit rejoice, let my spirit rejoice in God!
 Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored! Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song. And He will joy over you in song!
 And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves. Is that the choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song! God rejoices over you in song!

©1983 Hinshaw Music, Inc. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net A-718669.

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.

Text ©2010 GIA Publications. All rights reserved. Used by permission. OneLicense.net A-718669.

Third graders receiving their Bibles at the 11:00 service this morning are Elijah Beukema, Jonas Braun, Zachary Buchanan, Emerson Domnick, Olive Erickson, Beth Herr, Stephan Ihrke, Rex Jones, Ashlyn Lee, Thomson Parlette, Jacob Wobig, Calista Younge.

Hymn 462 (stanza 1) I Love to Tell the Story HANKEY

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 42:1-6, 10-17

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 4* Rev. T. J. Parlette

*** A Moment for Reflection ***

Our Response

◆ **Hymn 39** Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

◆ **Affirmation of Faith** from the Scots Confession, 1560

As we believe in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, that is to say one company and multitude of men chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace him by true faith in Christ Jesus, who is the only Head of the Kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus. This Kirk is catholic, that is universal, because it contains the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, tongues, be they Jews or be they Gentiles, who have communion and society with God the Father, and his Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of his Holy Spirit. It is therefore called the communion, not of profane persons, but of saints, who as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, have the fruit of inestimable benefits, one God, one Lord Jesus, one faith, and one baptism. Amen.

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

Offertory

At the Offertory

(8:30)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Robert Hobby

(11:00)

Be Thou My Vision

John Rutter

Chancel Choir

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, be all else naught to me save that thou art; be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord; be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might; be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower; O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise: be thou mine inheritance now and always; be thou and thou only the first in my heart: O Sov'reign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

©1989 Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. CCLI #2720777

◆ **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, the creator of the universe, we offer to you these gifts for the glory of your kingdom, in the name of God, Father and Mother, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sending

◆ **Hymn 547** Go My Children, with My Blessing AR HYD Y NOS

◆ **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.

©1990 Hope Publishing Company. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net A-718669.

Postlude Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (HYFRYDOL) R. Vaughan Williams

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.

***First Presbyterian Church helps Jagüey Grande
with donations through our Mission Committee.***

Dear Friends,

A message from Matanzas Presbytery Secretary Leticia Ramos conveys joyous news.

Liz Elyne Capó Lima has completed the necessary requirements and will be commissioned as a Presbitera Pastoral and installed as pastor of the Presbyterian-Reformed Church "Jerusalém" in Jagüey Grande on Saturday, November 7 at 10 a.m.

Please rejoice with Liz, the congregation in Jagüey Grande, the Presbytery of Matanzas and the Iglesia Presbiteriana-Reformada en Cuba in this good news.

Grace and peace,

Dean Lewis (PCUSA Cuban and American church relations)

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-Arthur, Custodian

Office hours: Monday-Thursday (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.); Friday (7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.); Saturday (9:30 a.m.-noon)

First Presbyterian Church; 512 SW Third Street / Rochester, MN 55902; 507/282-1618
rochesterfpc@msn.com; www.fpcrochester.org

*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.)

Calendar for the week of October 25 – November 1 (and beyond)

TODAY – October 25

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Jane Destro and Family in memory of Vincent Destro.

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.: *Current Issues* in Sheldon Jackson lounge ... *Islam Q&A* (Regina Mustafa)

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

Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

The **new member class** concludes today. The class will meet in Rev. Parlette's office at 9:40 a.m. New members will meet with the Session at 10:40 a.m. and be recognized by the congregation at the 11 a.m. service.

Madrigal Christmas Feaste. Tickets for the Madrigal Christmas Feaste go on sale today for \$25 each after each worship service. If we have tickets remaining, they will be sold on November 1 after worship services. We can only seat 96 people for the event. This means that our usual style of making reservations or 'seating yourself' will not work, so we are assigning people to tables. For this reason, we need the names when tickets are purchased. We look forward to seeing you at our inaugural celebration of the feaste on Saturday, December 5 at 6 p.m. (Madrigal Committee)

Take a hike through Quarry Hill – autumn edition. Meet at the Quarry Hill parking lot at 1 p.m. (2100 9th Street NE). We'll see the site of the slaughter house, soap house, the first and the main quarries, dynamite shack, and mortuary cave. We'll check the site of what was once the largest rock crusher in the state of Minnesota and see the grave of a man who could be considered the first black male slave freed by Abraham Lincoln. If you have any questions, contact Mark Mueller (markmueller@chartermi.net).

MONDAY – October 26

Endowment Committee meets at 7 p.m. in the conference room.

WEDNESDAY – October 28

Madrigal Singers rehearse at 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday Activities	
4:15	Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5)
5:00	Youth Choir (grades 6-12)
5:45	Supper (suggested donation \$4/person or \$10 max/family)
6:15	Middle School youth group (grades 6-8)
6:15	Senior High youth group (grades 9-12)
6:30	Adult Bible study—"Jesus Wept"
7:15	Joyous Praise handbells (grades 6-12)

THURSDAY – October 29

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

Chancel Choir rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY – October 31

Daylight Saving Time ends this weekend.

Remember to set your clocks *back* an hour tonight!

SUNDAY – November 1 (Memorial Sunday)

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Memorial Sunday, a day when we remember our loved ones who passed away during the past year, will be observed at both hours.

WEDNESDAY – November 4

Worship and communion at Charter House at 1 p.m.

For Your Information

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

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.

The **Implementation Committee** and helpers are working on the multipurpose room. Come downstairs and see the new PW storage room taking shape. The committee is also looking at options for new chairs in the social hall. If you have any suggestions, call Bev Lewis (288-8959). The committee welcomes all help with its projects.

Habitat for Humanity. We are finished with the organized First Presbyterian/Rochester Area Habitat for Humanity work days until May of 2016 and I'm sending a big Thank You to everyone who helped this summer! We cleared brush, set concrete forms, raised floor joists and even worked in the RAHH ReStore. It was fascinating to see the home on Cedar Park Court go from wooded lot to recognizable structure and a joy to work with the family who will live there when it's complete. Keep us in mind for May 2016 – it's a great way to put God's love into action! (Sarah Edgerton)