

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
May 29, 2016
Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 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 atrium before and after the service.

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

Gathering

Prelude

Elegy

James Biery

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

Belinda Galeano

Choose this day whom you will serve.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Cry aloud, and call upon God's name.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Declare God's glory among the nations.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Sing to the Lord, and bless God's name.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

◆ Hymn 385

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDRETH

Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

By the grace of Jesus Christ we are beloved children of God, members of God's own family. With the confidence of beloved children, let us confess our sin.

Silent Confession

Kyrie



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have__ mer - cy. Lord, have__ mer - cy on us.

Unison Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our God, we confess to you our unfaithfulness, our divided loyalties, our dancing around the truth. We look for human approval instead of seeking to serve you. We answer to human authority instead of listening for your Word. Turn our hearts back to you. Consume our sin with holy fire and set us free to sing your praise. Amen.

Words of Life

This is the gospel, the good news we have received; that our Lord Jesus Christ loves us and gave his life to set us free from our sins. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

◆ **Gloria Patri**

Glo - ry be to the Fath - er, Glo - ry be to the Son,
 Glo - ry be to the Ho - ly Ghost, God, the three - in -
 one! As it was in the be - gin - ning, is
 now and ev - er shall be. world with-out end,
 world with - out end. A - - men.

◆ **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 (please be seated)

Pre - pare our hearts, O God, to ac-cept your Word.
 Si - lence in us a - ny voice but your own, that,
 hear - ing, we may al - so o - bey your will; through
 Je - sus Christ our Lord. A - - - men.

Reading from Epistles

Galatians 1:1-12

Anthem

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation (see hymn 394 for text)
 Chancel Choir

Dale Wood

Time for All Our Young Worshippers

Hymn

sung to All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

Come, Lord Jesus, to this holy place, and bless the children here.
Guide them, mold them in your gentle ways, to know your love so dear.

Text by Judy Smithson.

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.

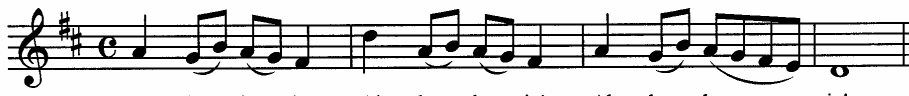
Reading from the Old Testament

1 Kings 18:20-39

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Message

Elijah and the prophets of Baal

Rev. T. J. Parlette

*** A Moment for Reflection ***

Our Response

◆ **Hymn 2**

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

◆ **Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the
dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the
forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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

Offertory

At the offertory

Deep River
Don Hann, tenor

arr. Mark Hayes

◆ **Offertory Response 643** (stanza 1) Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in Whom His world rejoices.

Who from our mother's arms hath bless'd us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

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◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**O Gracious God, receive this offering of our lives as a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and praise. Let our lives show forth to all the world the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Sending

◆ **Hymn 550**

Give Praise to the Lord

LAUDATE DOMINUM

◆ **Benediction**

◆ **Response 547** (stanza 3) **Go, My Children, Fed and Nourished**

AR HYD Y NOS

“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you; here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”

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Postlude

Old Hundredth

Fred Bock

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.

Some of the service music was written by Lee J Afdahl.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

June 13-17 / 9 a.m.-noon

“Abundance Orchard: where faith grows & the hungry are fed”

Sign up today!

Registration forms are in the church office.

Volunteers, we need help! Decorators, skit actors, traffic directors, leaders for snacks, crafts, lessons, games and stories, and more are all needed. Have some fun with this great ministry to our community. Sign up/ask questions to Rick Morris (morris.rick@fpcrochester.org).

About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor	Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor	Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist	Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager
Rick L. Morris, Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education	Vera B. Herr, Custodian

Child Care staff: Valerie Asleson, Kelly Bock, Margie Schaaf

Security and custodial personnel: Steven Aug, Sally Evans, Sue Kruger, Tami Rinn, Eric Schwartzbauer

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)

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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.*

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Calendar for the week of May 29 – June 5 (and beyond)

TODAY – May 29

From now through Labor Day Sunday we will have one service of worship at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday.

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Van Jacobsen and Lee Afdahl in memory of their parents Ivan and Nola Jacobsen and Marcus and Jeanne Afdahl.

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

Coffee and donuts will be available in the atrium both before (beginning at 8:45) and after the service.

MONDAY – May 30 (Memorial Day)

The church will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

WEDNESDAY – June 1

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

Bible Study led by Al Depman at 6:30 p.m. in the lounge. Everyone is invited! We don't serve supper during the summer, but we do guarantee an invigorating discussion for all who come.

Madrigal singers will rehearse at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY – June 2

Festival Ringers will rehearse at 6:30 p.m.

The **FPC softball team** will play Evangel United Methodist at 7:30 p.m. at McQuillan Field #1.

SUNDAY – June 5

Worship and communion at 9:30 a.m.

Graduates will be honored during the service followed by a reception in their honor. High School graduates should meet in the lounge at 8:45 a.m. to have their picture taken.

One of our parish nurses will be in the library after the service June 5 to take your **blood pressure** and answer questions you may have about your health.

A New Member Seminar led by Rev. Parlette will be held from 10:45 a.m. - noon in the lounge. If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian, or just want to know more about us, you are welcome to attend. Please let the church office know if you plan to come (282-1618). Those who decide to join will meet with the Session at 9:15 a.m. June 12 and be recognized by the congregation at worship that day.

SUNDAY – June 12

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Again this summer we will host a **summer choir** the *second Sunday* of June, July, and August. Rehearsal will be at 9 a.m. on those days. The music will be easy, probably a review anthem or two. Please invite friends and family who normally do not sing with us to join us for these opportunities! We have copies of the music in the office if you'd like to review them ahead of time.

For Your Information

Many thanks to all of you who brought **glassware** for our Pentecost celebration. You may pick up your items in the church office.

Bdcan backpack project. From June 1–26, the Bdecan VBS team will be collecting backpacks, underwear, socks, T-shirts, pants, combs, shampoo, washcloths and soap for children who live on the Spirit Lake Indian Reservation and are heading into foster care unexpectedly. Clothing is needed for children toddler through age 10. We don't need tooth brushes or tooth paste. You don't have to purchase everything on the list. Whatever you can provide will be a big help! If you don't like to shop, but would be willing to make a donation, please make a check to First Presbyterian Church and put "Backpack Project" in the memo line.

Is there a graduate in your house? If you or your child will be graduating or graduated midyear (either high school or college), please let the church office know. We will honor our graduates during worship on June 5.

Picture Directories are available in the church office. Members whose pictures were taken by Lifetouch will receive a complimentary copy. Others are asked to contribute \$5.00

Join folks from around town to pack nutritious meals for starving children around the world in a fun team setting at "Feed My Starving Children" Mobile Pack Saturday, June 18, 11:30-1 p.m. at Calvary Evangelical Free Church (5500 25th Ave NW). Register at <http://volunteer.fmssc.org/Register/Group/JoinGroup.aspx?gid=899261> or with Lucinda Clements in the atrium after church today!

Among the Church Family

Congratulations to Michael and Carol McDonough who will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary June 2.

Congratulations to Elmer and Mary VanDerHeyden who will celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary June 5.

Congratulations to Clyde and Glenice Newton who will celebrate their 69th wedding anniversary June 7.

Congratulations to Dan and Suzanne Tolman who will celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary June 8.

We extend our condolences to Larry Harrison and Kay Tate on the death of Larry's stepfather, Joe Cooley, May 24 in Florida.

Update on Capital Campaign

Over the past year we made many improvements in the multipurpose room, the social hall, and the music room. We're working on the kitchen. We were able to start these projects with the help of a few early pledges and a grant and a loan from our Capital Reserve Fund. Now it's time to repay the loan and to finish paying for them.

Recently you received a pledge card and a brochure with more information. Since then we've had 71 responses pledging \$148,904. With additional non-pledged income, we are at \$188,537 toward our \$320,000 goal. We still have a way to go! If you've turned in a pledge or a donation, thank you very much. If you haven't, we encourage you to give serious consideration to doing it soon. Thank you!