

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**June 19, 2016**  
**Fifth 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 worship service.

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

## **Gathering**

**Prelude**

O God, Thou Faithful God  
Cynthia McLaren, guest organist

Johannes Brahms

*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**

Lucinda Cutrer

*There is no longer Jew or Greek,*

**There is no longer slave or free,**

*There is no longer male and female: for all are one in Christ Jesus.*

**We are children of God through faith.**

*Let us worship the Lord.*

## ◆ **Hymn 667**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

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

*Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin to God and to one another.*

## **Silent Confession**

## **Kyrie 555**

O Lamb of God

LAND OF REST

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful and gracious God, we walk in a way that is not good. We follow our own devices. We ignore your image in ourselves and in our neighbors. Do not turn away from us, O God, but hear our cry for blessing. Lead us out of the tombs we inhabit. Guide us into your light so that we may walk in your way. Amen.**

**Words of Life**

*You belong to Christ and are heirs of the promise of freedom. In full assurance of justification by grace through faith, by the authority of God's beloved Son, I declare to you the absolute forgiveness of all your sins. In the name of the blessed Trinity, One 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.

- ◆ **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)

Lisa Riggle

Lord, let me be a ves - sel through - which your love is  
 poured; — let it fill me, wash o - ver me, — cov - er me ev - er more.

**Reading from Epistles**

Galatians 3:23-29

**Anthem**

The Quiet Heart

Beck, Courtney

Becky Erickson, soprano

The quiet heart knows the pace of kindness, measures love in gentleness, sees beauty in reality, survives in understanding, waits in yearning patience to find the mind of God.

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**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.

**Sacrament of Baptism (see page 4)**

Xander Ross Van Meeteren  
 Son of Justin and Lindsay Van Meeteren  
 Brother of Landry and Harper Van Meeteren

*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 21:1-21a

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**



## ***Sacrament of Baptism***

### **Introduction**

### **Presentation**

### **Professions of Intent and Faith**

### **Blessing of the Water**

### **Baptism**

### **Welcome**

*Elder: Xander Ross Van Meeteren is now received into the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. Through baptism God has made him a member 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 Xander, that he and all baptized children may become faithful disciples.*

**Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Xander Ross Van Meeteren 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 Xander Ross Van Meeteren. 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  
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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 June 19 – June 26 (and beyond)**

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### **TODAY – June 19 (Father's Day)**

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, with special thanks to guest organist Cynthia McLaren.

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Judy Felten 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 will be happy to direct you if you don't know where the nursery is located.

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

**Handbell ringers** from First and Community Presbyterian Churches will be returning today from the Area 7 Festival Conference of Handbell Musicians of America in Sioux Falls. Massed ringing and classes on techniques and repertoire filled their days with learning and fun.

### **MONDAY – June 20**

**Grief Support Group** will meet at 11 a.m. in the lounge. If you are interested in participating but haven't registered, please contact Rev Rowland prior to attending (282-1618).

### **TUESDAY – June 21**

**Session** will meet at 7 p.m. in the south fireside room.

### **THURSDAY – June 23**

The **FPC softball team** will play Conquerors #1 at 7:30 p.m. at Assembly of God field (18th Avenue NW just north of Cedarwood Strip Mall).

### **SUNDAY – June 26**

**Worship at 9:30 a.m.**

### **WEDNESDAY – June 29**

Presbyterian Women will host its annual **Medical Missions Coffee** from 1-3 p.m. at the home of Terry Narr (1911 Oak Knoll Lane NW). At 1:45 Marylynn Aalderks will talk about her recent experiences in Guatemala.

### **For Your Information**

**Bdecan 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.

**Yard games wanted for July 17 church picnic.** If you own any popular yard games such as *Ladder Ball* and *Corn Hole (bean bag toss)*, *Bocce Ball*, *horseshoes*, etc., and are willing to bring it to the church picnic at Silver Lake on July 17, please contact Rev. Rowland/the church office (282-1618) so we can coordinate getting a few of each for this event.

The **Pentecost Offering** was dedicated May 24. One of the four special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the Pentecost Offering helps bring God's transforming, redeeming love to children at risk, guide and nurture young people's growing faith, and provide opportunities for young adults to become spiritual leaders. Special donation envelopes are in the pew racks or simply note "Pentecost" on your check. The offering will be open until the end of June.

### **Among the Church Family**

Congratulations to John and Shirley Service who will celebrate their 53rd wedding anniversary June 22.

Congratulations to Mark and Mary Sickman who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 24.

Congratulations to Lyle and Zoe Abrahamson who will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary June 25.

Congratulations to Jay and Carolyn Beck who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 25.

Congratulations to Justin, Lindsay, Landry, and Harper Van Meeteren on the birth of their son and brother, Xander Ross Van Meeteren, June 8.

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Lewis B. Woolner, who died June 13. His memorial service will be Monday, June 20 at 2 p.m. at FPC.

### **Update on Capital Campaign**

Over the past year we have made many improvements in the multipurpose room, the social hall, and the music room. We're now 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 94 responses pledging \$206,386. With additional non-pledged income, we are at \$246,018 toward our \$320,000 goal. 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. Your participation is important to the project. Thank you!