

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to worship!

- First Presbyterian Church welcomes families with young children. Staffed nursery care is available during worship and Sunday school. 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 and social hall after the first service and in the atrium after the second service.

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

Gathering

Prelude

When Jesus Wept

William Schuman

*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

(8:30) Judy Felten

(11:00) Mary Huie

Lord God, Creator of life:

bring us light, we pray.

Mourner of the dead:

comfort us in our grief, we pray.

Refresher of dry lives:

bind us to God forever, we pray.

Let us worship God.

◆ **Hymn 407**

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

NUN DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR'

Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

The proof of God's great love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us.

Trusting in God's mercy and grace, let us confess our sin ...

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

God of abundant mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. You provide our daily bread; still we hunger for other things. You give your word to guide us; still we surrender to temptation. Forgive us, God of grace. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Life

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

◆ **Response 447**

We Are Forgiven

WE ARE FORGIVEN

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
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◆ **Passing of the Peace**

Due to health concerns in this cold and flu season, please refrain from shaking hands and greet each other with a word of peace or a wave of the hand.

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 the Psalms

Psalm 130

Anthem

(8:30)

Christus Factus Est
Chancel Choir

Anton Bruckner

And being found in human form he became obedient e'en unto death, even death upon a cross. Therefore God has highly him exalted. A name to him was given, which is higher than all names, yea much higher than all names.

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Voluntary

(11:00)

In the Cross of Christ
For meditation, see hymn 213.

Wilbur Held

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 (11:00) (see page 5)

Madeline Jane Herrington
Daughter of Nathan and Melanie Herrington
Sister of Luke Herrington
Granddaughter of Jane Hallman
Emma Grace Hallman
Daughter of Stephen and Carrie Hallman
Granddaughter of Jane Hallman

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 Epistles

Romans 8:6-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

The Spirit of God Dwells in You

Rev. Jay Rowland

*** A Moment for Reflection ***

Our Response

◆ **Hymn 496**

Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed

ARFON

◆ **Affirmation of Faith**

[Adapted from the Belhar Confession (PC(USA))]

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

We believe that, through the working of God's Spirit, unity is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one in which the people of God must continually build up one another if unity is to be attained and retained. Amen.

Offertory (8:30)

Find in Me

Henry Hinnant

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small, precious child, watch and pray, find in me thine all in all. Find in me redemption, find in me repose.

*Find in me the strength you need to defeat life's fiercest foes. Find in me a shelter, find in me highest call. Find in me your ev'rything, find in me you all in all.

Lord, no indeed I find thy pow'r and thine alone, can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone, and when before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

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(11:00)

Out of the Depths (Psalm 130)

Bach, Scheidt

◆ **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**

God of grace, you have gifted us with life in Christ. Today we bring the gifts of our work and of our hearts. Let all that we bring and all that we are become means by which your grace may flow into all the world, that all people may encounter your good news. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Our communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior.
The wine used in this sacrament is grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister/Cantor *People* *Minister/Cantor*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts.

People *Minister/Cantor*

We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our — thanks and praise.

... And so, with all who have stood beside graves, and with all who wait for signs of hope, we sing our praises to you:

Sanctus

2

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, — Ho - ly Lord God of —

pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are — full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na — in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

... Believing that he is the One who calls us to new life, trusting that, by his tears, he meets us in our pain and grief, we proclaim that mystery we call faith:

Memorial Acclamation

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Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

Lord's Prayer (using 'debts' and 'debtors')

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Please come forward to be served. If you wish to be served in the pew, a server will be in the side aisle to assist you. You may join in singing hymn 227, "Jesus, Remember Me."

Prayer after Communion

Sending

- ◆ **Hymn 550** Give Praise to the Lord LAUDATE DOMINUM
- ◆ **Benediction**
- ◆ **Benediction Response 215** (stanza 1) What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE
- Postlude** Out of the Depths Max Drischner

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 Afdahl and is published in "Holy Is the Lord" ©2003.

Sacrament of Baptism

(11:00 a.m.)

Introduction

Presentation

Professions of Intent and Faith

Blessing of the Water

Baptism

Welcome

Elder: Madeline and Emma 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 them, that they may become faithful disciples.

Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome them into Christ's church. We promise to love, encourage, support and share the gospel 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

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 families of Madeline and Emma. 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.



We invite you to share in our Lenten activities.

Services of Worship

Sundays at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

- April 9 Palm Sunday services of worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.
- April 13 Maundy Thursday service of worship and communion at 7 p.m.
- April 16 Easter Sunday services of worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

A Festival of Music ~ Wednesday Lenten Organ Recitals

12:15 – 12:45 p.m.

- April 5 Rev. Matthew Lehman, organist / Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Prior Lake, Minnesota

A Festival of Music

4 p.m.

- April 2 Brass Roots Trio, with trumpet, French horn, and piano, encompasses a wide range in styles in unique arrangements of such notables as Gershwin, Copland, Brubeck, Rossini, and Fauré. The ensemble is from Flemington, New Jersey.

Lenten Study Opportunities

Adult Education / Sundays at 9:40 a.m.: Kerygma Bible Study and Current Issues.

Bible Study / Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.: “*The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul*” led by Rev. T. J. Parlette. The study is based on a book of the same title by Adam Hamilton.

The Presbyterians Today 2017 Lenten Devotional booklet, *Meeting Jesus*, is available in the office and at the Welcome desk. A Lenten Sharing, which highlights some of the challenging situations we address when extending care to God’s people around the world, is also available.



About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor	Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant
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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 April 2 – April 9 (and beyond)

SUNDAY – April 2

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Don Scholz in memory of Georgia Scholz.

A **nursery** for infants through 3-year-olds is staffed throughout the morning. We also offer a space for nursing mothers. An usher will be happy to direct you if you don't know where the nursery is located.

Education hour:

9:40-10:45: Nursery - preschool (3-years-old)

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

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

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

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

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

Adults:

9:40 a.m.: *Current Issues: Current Events: the Pros and Cons* in the lounge (E-207).

9:40 a.m.: *Kerygma Bible Study of Matthew* in south fireside room (A-104)

Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

Blood Pressure readings have been postponed to next Sunday (April 9).

A **Festival of Music** will present the Brass Roots Trio in concert at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. The trio, with trumpet, French horn, and piano, encompasses a wide range in styles in unique arrangements of such notables as Gershwin, Copland, Bruckner, Rossini, and Fauré. The ensemble is from Flemington, New Jersey.

TUESDAY – April 4

Grief Support Group meets at 11 a.m. in the library.

Board of Deacons meets at 7 p.m. in the south fireside room.

Most committees meet. Check with your lead elder if you aren't sure about yours.

WEDNESDAY – April 5

Because of Spring Break, all **Wednesday activities are cancelled** except as noted below.

A Festival of Music is hosting **Noonday Organ Recitals** from 12:15 – 12:45 p.m. each Wednesday in Lent. Guest recitalist for April 5 is Rev. Matthew Lehman, organist at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Prior Lake, Minnesota. This is the final recital in this year's series.

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

Lenten Bible Study Opportunity. Rev. Parlette is leading a Lenten Bible study on "The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul" from 6:30-8 p.m. in the lounge.

THURSDAY – April 6

Jubilate Deo Bells will not rehearse.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY – April 9 (Palm Sunday)

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

One of our **parish nurses** will be in the library between services April 9 and available to take your blood pressure.

WEDNESDAY – April 12

All Wednesday activities are on their regular schedule.

Lenten Bible Study Opportunity. Rev. Parlette is leading a Lenten Bible study on "The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul" from 6:30-8 p.m. in the lounge. April 12 is the final week of the study.

Kitchen Guild will meet at 1 p.m.

Wednesday Activities	
4:15	Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5)
5:00	Youth Choir (grades 6-12)
5:45	Middle School youth group (grades 6-8)
5:45	Senior High youth group (grades 9-12)
6:30	Bible study – "The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul" led by Rev. Parlette.
7:00	Joyous Praise handbells (intergenerational)

THURSDAY – April 13 (Maundy Thursday)

Prayer Shawl group at 1 p.m. in the lounge.

Jubilate Deo bells rehearses at 6 p.m.

Worship and communion at 7 p.m.

One Great Hour of Sharing will be received.

Your gifts support the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Self-Development of People. You may contribute to One Great Hour of Sharing through April.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 8 p.m.

FRIDAY – April 14

Ecumenical **Good Friday service** at noon at Zumbro Lutheran Church.

Sitter Service from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Sign up in the atrium on Sunday, April 9; in the office by Tuesday, April 11; or contact Gayle Jones (993-2443).

SATURDAY – April 15

Easter Egg Event for children through 5th grade from 9:30-11 a.m. Kids should bring their own baskets to fill with candy and prizes and bring their own hard boiled eggs to dye! Parents and grandparents are encouraged to come with their children, particularly preschool age children.

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

SUNDAY – April 16 (Easter)

Easter worship services at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Note: the times of the services have changed from previous years and there are only two services this year.

Easter Brunch will be served between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Easter Sunday. No reservations are necessary. A freewill offering will be taken for a local organization that will be selected by the youth group.

MONDAY – April 17

The church office will be closed.

For Your Information

To accommodate those attending the Noonday Organ Recitals, **please do *not* park in the parking lot** between 12 noon and 1 p.m. on Wednesdays in Lent. Thank you!

Celebrate our **Easter Garden** with a donation of \$15. To contribute, put your check (note for Easter flowers) in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. After Easter services the Deacons will deliver the plants to our C.A.R.E. members.

The **P.W. rummage sale** is scheduled Saturday, May 20. Donations may be brought to church beginning Monday, May 8. Many volunteers will be needed the week of May 15! We are particularly looking for an additional co-chair to work with Judy Kruesel and Sally Brooks. Please call Judy (250-5128) or Sally (281-5802) if you are interested.

The **Spring Gathering of Presbyterian Women** in the Twin Cities Area Presbytery will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, Stillwater, on Saturday, April 22. PW will pay for the registration, which includes lunch, for all who wish to attend. Please register with Peg Parsons, PW treasurer, by April 13. The theme is "Caring for Yourself and Others." The mission project for spring is baby kits that will go to the Rural Health Initiative in Sierra Leone.

Free Books. The CE Committee project revitalizing the church library is in progress. As the inventory process weeds out books, these books will be available for FREE for a limited time. Come to the church library and take any book that's been placed into one of the cardboard boxes. These books will be available until the end of April. After that, an effort will be made to donate any remaining books. Contact Rev. Rowland or Al Dollerschell for more information.

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2017	2018	2019
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