

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**May 7, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**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 and atrium 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**

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need  
Alleluia Ringers; Melissa Wobig, violin

David Schwoebel

*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) Katie Lenn  
(11:00) James Sessler

*Sisters and brothers, let us gather together with glad and generous hearts.*

**For many signs and wonders are being done among us.**

*Let us break bread together and share our lives in common.*

**Let us give what we can to all who have needs so that all people, no matter  
who they are, may regard us with good will.**

*Let us devote ourselves to prayers and to the gospel.*

**For in this way God will add to our numbers every day.**

*Let us worship the Lord.*

## ◆ **Hymn 236**

The Strife Is O'er

VICTORY

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

*Friends, in as much as God is our shepherd, let us not fear, but confess our sin, that  
God may restore our souls.*

## **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.

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◆ Please stand if you are able.

### Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we confess to you and to one another that we have not always followed Christ's example. When we have been abused, we have been abusive in return. We have gone astray. Lead us back into your fold and guard our souls in Jesus' name. Amen.

### Words of Life

Friends, the promise of our faith is that if we entrust ourselves to the One who judges justly, we need not feel threatened, for we will be returned to righteousness. Amen.

### ◆ 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

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 the New Testament

Acts 2:42-47

Anthem (8:30)

The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

Thomas Matthews

Chancel Choir; Laura Smith, soloist

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: For Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me, Thou preparast a table before me in the presence of my enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

(11:00) Shepherd Song arr. Helen Kemp  
 Cherub Choir; Katie Kruger, director; Carol Shaffer, accompanist  
 Hola! Hola!  
 Shepherd with your lambs so fair, how you love them! How you care!  
 Now you lead them up and down, to the water you have found.  
 Hola! Hola!  
 Jesus is our Shepherd strong, he will listen to our song;  
 We will follow him each day, as we sing and as well play.  
 Hola! Hola!  
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**Time for All Our Young Worshippers**

Hymn 487 (stanza 4) These Treasured Children PUER NOBIS NASCITUR  
 Come, Holy Spirit, help us be a nurturing community;  
 Empower us to realize God's kingdom through our children's eyes.

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*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 Gospels**

Luke 24:13-35

*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**

*At the Table*

Rev. T. J. Parlette

*\* A Moment for Reflection \**

**Our Response**

◆ Hymn 510 We Gather Here in Jesus' Name COME, SHARE THE BREAD

◆ 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.**

**Offertory**

At the Offertory  
 (8:30)

The Road Home  
 Chancel Choir

Stephen Paulus

Tell me where is the road I can call my own, that I left, that I lost, so long ago? All these years I have wandered. Oh when will I know there's a way, there's a road that will lead me home?  
 After wind, after rain, when the dark is done, as I wake from a dream In the gold of day, through the air there's a calling from far away, there's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.  
 Rise up, follow me, come away is the call, with love in your heart as the only song. There is no such beauty as where you belong. Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

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(11:00)

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Dale Wood

◆ **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**

**Holy and generous God, you have anointed us and we are yours. Bless these tithes and offerings that they may become green pastures and still waters for any and all who need your comfort and restoration.**

***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.

**The Invitation**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Leader All  
The Lord be with you And al - so - with you.

Leader All Leader 3  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give

All  
thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give our thanks and praise!

..... Therefore we praise you, joining our voice with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name ...

**Sanctus**

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and

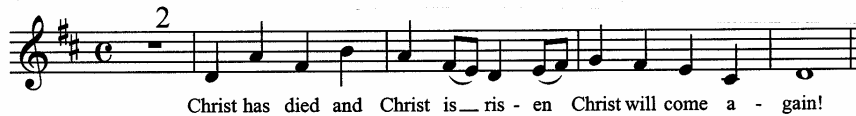
might. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, who

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

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

### Memorial Acclamation



**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 507, "Come to the Table of Grace" (all stanzas).

### Prayer after Communion

## Sending

◆ **Hymn 239** Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! GELOBT SEI GOTT

◆ **Benediction**

◆ **Response 541** (stanza 1) God Be with You Till We Meet Again RANDOLPH  
God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

**Postlude** My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Kenneth Leighton

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.

## "Faith In Action"

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:34)

On May 30, the spring **Forums@First** will present "Human Library Lite" at 6:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. The Forum will be presented in cooperation with the Rochester Diversity Council. If you are looking for something to read, please attend this Human Library.

The Human Library educates people using human experiences, cultivating empathy in such a manner that differences, barriers and prejudice fall away. It exposes and nurtures the spirit of humankind by building common understanding and connections. The project is built around Human Books, who are perfectly flawed people sharing how their lives have been affected by bias, prejudice and discrimination. Meet a Human Book(s) and learn about this exciting program. The program is sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee of First Presbyterian Church.

## About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor  
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor  
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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 7 – May 14 (and beyond)*

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### TODAY – May 7

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Tony and Judy Smithson in memory of their parents.

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: Steve Borchardt will lead a presentation on the Olmsted County Workforce Housing Initiative* (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.

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

### MONDAY – May 8

Start bringing your donations for the **Rummage Sale**. Please use the cart by the elevator to take your things to the lower level and then return the cart to the atrium for others to use.

### TUESDAY – May 9

**Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area will hold their May meeting in Rochester.**

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help. Note these reporting times:

Welcoming, registration, parking: 3 p.m.

Set up for dinner: 4 p.m.

Serve dinner: 5:30 p.m.

Clean up after dinner: 6:30 p.m.

**The congregation is invited to attend the worship service at 7:45 p.m.** The Chancel Choir will sing and Rev. Parlette will be installed as Moderator of the Presbytery.

### WEDNESDAY – May 10

**Kitchen Guild** will meet at 1 p.m.

<b>Wednesday Activities</b>	
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 – “ <i>The Apostles’ Creed</i> ”
7:00	Joyous Praise handbells (intergenerational)

### THURSDAY – May 11

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

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

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

### FRIDAY – May 12

**Sitter Service** from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Sign up in the atrium on Sunday, May 7; in the office by Tuesday, May 9; or contact Gayle Jones (993-2443).

### SATURDAY – May 13

**Mother-Daughter Tea** from 2-4 p.m. Sign up in the atrium May 7 or call the church office by May 10. We encourage you to bring a favorite teapot to be displayed and to include a card with your name and a brief history of the teapot. Donations of girls' and women's hats, gloves, and purses (donated or borrowed and returned) will be welcome for the girls' dress-up corner. For more information, contact Jane Murl (529-1318).

### SUNDAY – May 14 (Mothers Day)

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

### MONDAY – May 15

Items for the **May Good News** are due to Carol Evans either at fpc\_carol@hotmail.com or in the office.

**Esther Circle** will meet at noon at the home of Barbara Boyer for a potluck luncheon. Meet at the church at 11:30 a.m. to carpool.

### TUESDAY – May 16

**Session** will meet at 7 p.m. in south fireside room.  
**Festival of Music Committee** will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the north fireside room.

### WEDNESDAY – May 17

This is the last week for most Wednesday activities until September although the Bible study will meet May 24 and then biweekly beginning June 14 for the rest of the summer.

**Priscilla Circle** will meet at 11 a.m. for a potluck salad brunch at the home of Bev Lewis.

**Crafters Group** will meet at 3 p.m. in the social hall. Bring that almost finished project or help us make cards for C.A.R.E. members of FPC.

### SATURDAY – May 20

The **P.W. Rummage Sale** is open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. with the Bag Sale and ½-price sale from 1-3. Call Judy Kruesel (250-5128) or Sally Brooks (281-5802) to coordinate pick up of larger items. If you have Hy-Vee paper bags we can use them for the Bag Sale. All proceeds from the sale go to mission projects, near and far. Please consider dropping by to sort/set up/work anytime the week of May 15, and sign up to work on Saturday for the sale (8-3) or clean-up (at 3:30)! If you have questions, please call Sally or Judy.

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

### SUNDAY – May 21 (Celebration Sunday)

Please come to Social Hall from 9:45-10:30 a.m. for the annual celebration hosted by the Christian Education Committee. Come enjoy refreshments. Come enjoy fellowship with other students, teachers and parents. Come celebrate another wonderful program year of Christian Education, youth and music.

### *For Your Information*

**Book Giveaway Continues.** As the church library revitalization project continues, outdated books are continually being removed and made available for free. Look for the “free books” note on boxes in the library and the foyer and the cart in the atrium. More books are added weekly.

### *Among the Church Family*

Happy Birthday to Lonnie Martin who will celebrate her 93rd birthday May 10.

Congratulations to Robert and Cindy Sannes who will celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary May 15.