

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
June 4, 2017
Day of 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

Fantasy on "Veni Creator Spiritus" (See hymn 278)
Katie Kruger, saxophone

Richard Proulx

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.

Minute for Mission for Bdecan mission trip

Marylynn Aalderks

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Sylvia Swede

The Spirit of God has come down upon us

The church, the body of Christ, born.

The Spirit comes to those who wait for it.

May we be filled with joyful expectation.

(wave the flame fans in the air)

The Spirit comes in tongues of fire.

May our tongues be on fire with the gospel.

The Spirit comes as a mighty wind.

May we be filled with power to live for God.

(stop waving the flame fans)

The Spirit comes with many gifts.

May we use those gifts for the glory of God.

The Spirit comes to go forth throughout creation.

May we be faithful to our Lord as his disciples

The Spirit comes to bring salvation to all.

May we be a sign of God's saving grace.

◆ Hymn 289 On Pentecost They Gathered MUNICH

Call to Reconciliation with God (please be seated)

*God has promised that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
Therefore, let us call upon the Lord, confessing our sins.*

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

God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. By the power of the Holy Spirit you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance. Yet, we hoard earth's resources and refuse to share your gifts. We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need. We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies. We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others. Forgive us. By the power of your Spirit renew our hearts and free us from sins that we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing upon all creation. Amen.

Words of Life

(wave fan flames in the air)

Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance. Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, and be restored to abundant life through the power of the Holy Spirit.

(stop waving the flame fans)

◆ **Gloria Patri hymn 1** (stanza 1) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

◆ **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 288 (please be seated) Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

Reading from the Old Testament Numbers 11:24-30

Anthem I Waited for the Lord Felix Mendelssohn

Laura Smith and Elizabeth Woolner, sopranos
I waited for the Lord, He inclined unto me, He heard my complaint,
O blessed are they that hope and trust in the Lord.
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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 Judith Smithson.

Pass Prayer Cards to the aisle. An usher will collect them.

Recognition of the Graduating Class of 2017

Introduction

Responsive Prayer

Pastor: We come to you, O God, for this important moment in the life of these young people, that this special time would be set apart for your purposes and your blessing.

Graduates: By your grace, dear God, we have come to this special time in our lives. We seek your help as we move on from here.

Pastor: We give you thanks and praise, dear God, for the positive influences you have given to these graduates through teachers, coaches, mentors, friends, and family.

Congregation: Bless their parents, uphold them with your continuing presence and give them many joyful reunions with their sons and daughters who may be leaving home soon.

Graduates: We give you thanks for this church, for this supportive community. In the years to come, help us find faith communities to keep us centered as we grow.

Congregation: We pray for these graduates, dear God, that you will bless them with your Holy Spirit and keep them from all harm. Give each of them a growing sense of joy and a growing sense of responsibility; help them to become all that is in them to become; and above all, let them know that they are loved by you and by us.

Everyone: For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Charge

Rick Morris: Graduates, as you celebrate this achievement and begin new challenges, we challenge you to seek out a faith community and get involved-- wherever you go from here. Through the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, church provides stability and support in the midst of the changes and challenges of life.

Congregation: We pray God may lead you to a faith community where your life's work and accomplishments can be shaped and supported. The Peace of Christ be with you.

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.

The Story of Pentecost in Word and Song

Acts 2:1-21

Part 1

Hymn 288

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Part 2

Hymn 279 (st. 1 and 4) Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

ST. AGNES

Part 3

Hymn 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu ia! Praise we sing for God's Ho - ly Word!

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Message

When lightning strikes

Rev. T. J. Parlette

** A Moment for Reflection **

Our Response

◆ Hymn 285

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

◆ Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, known as Creator, Son and ever-present Spirit. We believe God gave birth to the church with the gift of the Holy Spirit – stirring the disciples and us to tell the Good News, heal the sick, feed the hungry, take care of the poor, welcome the stranger and be a community of forgiveness and joy.

We believe the Spirit is still moving, still acting, still turning the world upside down with love. We believe the Spirit gives us different gifts to use, all building up the church and showing the world a community of compassion and wisdom.

We believe the Holy Spirit will not be contained in dull, lifeless forms, but surprises us and empowers us to do new things, to risk loving, to venture boldly into God's new world.

(wave the flame fans)

We believe in the church, wind-powered, fire-tinged and Spirit-filled. Amen.

(stop waving flame fans)

Offertory

At the Offertory Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart (see hymn 688) Joe Utterback

The **Pentecost Offering** will be dedicated during worship. 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.

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

OLD HUNDREDETH

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.

◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Almighty God, we have opened our hands to you, and our hands have been filled with good things. Receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your care for us, and help us to bless you with the dedication of our lives, through Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit. 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.

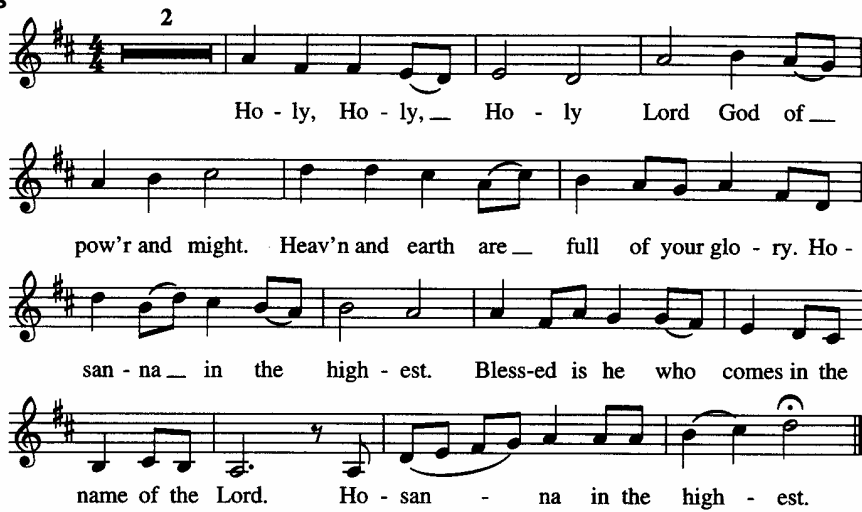
Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The musical notation consists of three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff is for the Minister/Cantor and People, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts." The second staff is for the People and Minister/Cantor, with lyrics: "We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The third staff is for the People, with lyrics: "It is right to give our — thanks and praise." The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined.

... we praise your name and join in the eternal hymn of all the angels and saints who sing:

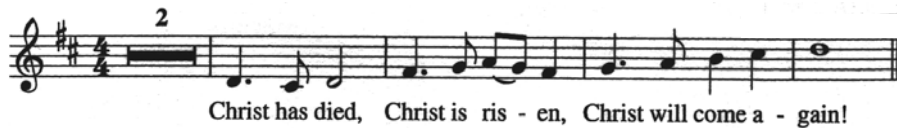
Sanctus



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.

... We offer ourselves to you in union with his offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation



2
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 527, "Eat This Bread."

Prayer after Communion

Sending

- ◆ Hymn 290 O Day of Joy and Wonder JONATHAN'S TUNE
- ◆ 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.
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Postlude

Veni Creator Spiritus

Maurice Durufle

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.

The service music was written by Lee J Afdahl and is published in "Holy Is the Lord."

A word about the visual display

In honor of Pentecost, we have a special visual display this morning. Red is the traditional color of Pentecost as it symbolizes the Holy Spirit. The clear glass vases in different shapes, sizes, and designs symbolize the uniqueness of all God's children. The floating candles represent the power of the Holy Spirit in each of us as we are united by the water of our baptism.

Congratulations to the High School Graduating Class of 2017!

Congratulations and God's blessing upon our high school graduates! Please greet them in the foyer following the service and enjoy some cake and punch with them. Expecting to graduate are

Jacob Dyck
Alex Johnson
Mary Johnson
Ashten Mahon
Jessica Pedelty
Will Zmolek



Pictured above are our students in the high school classes of 2017 at their confirmation in 2013.
Left to right: Rev. Jay Rowland, Audrey Johannes, Will Zmolek, Ashten Mahon, Alex Johnson,
Mary Johnson, Jacob Dyck, Amanda Bonetti, Derek Martin, Jessica Pedelty, Dan Wentz

Congratulations and God's blessing upon our members completing college and graduate degrees:

Jessa Ellen Hohnstein from University of Minnesota with a Bachelor of Science in Geography and a minor in Public Health.

Olivia Kemp from Western University in London, Ontario with a Bachelor of Health Science with Honors and a specialization in Health Studies.

Thomas Kluck from Minnesota State Mankato in December 2016 with a major in psychology and a minor in law enforcement.

About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist
Rick L. Morris, Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education
Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant
Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager
Vera B. Herr, Custodian
Child Care staff: Kelly Bock, Woo-Jung Ra, Margie Schaaf
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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 4 – June 11 (and beyond)

TODAY – June 4 (Pentecost)

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 Judy and Ron Hunter, Kay Boege, and Sue and Myron Rostad in memory of Kenneth and Audrey Boege.

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.

Graduates will be honored during the service followed by a reception in their honor.

One of our parish nurses will be in the library after the service today 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. Those who decide to join will meet with the Session at 9 a.m. June 11 and be recognized by the congregation at worship that day.

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

TUESDAY – June 6

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 – June 7

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

Middle and Senior High youth will meet at 5:45 p.m. for their final Wednesday meeting of this year.

THURSDAY – June 8

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

The **FPC softball team** will play Assembly of God (blue) at 6:30 p.m. at McQuillan Field #1 (1 mile south of Cub Foods on Marion Road SE, turn right at the stop light).

SATURDAY – June 10

End of school outing from noon-3 p.m. Youth will meet at The Machine Shed Arcade (11 2nd Street NE), and then walk to the fields at the Rochester Art Center for snacks and ultimate Frisbee/capture the flag.

Parents: Drop youth off at the Machine Shed and pick them up at the Art Center. Or, stay and enjoy the day with us! The Machine Shed is an arcade with a bunch of big retro games – all set to 'free play.' The cost is free thanks to the greeting card fundraiser earlier this year.

SUNDAY – June 11 (Trinity Sunday)

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Again this summer we are hosting 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!

New member class will meet with the **Session** at 9 a.m. and be recognized by the congregation during worship.

Attention: parents, guardians, caretakers of youth. The popular show “**13 Reasons Why**” has prompted a national conversation about teenagers and suicide. On June 11 parents, guardians, and caretakers of youth are invited to a conversation about the show and how to talk to youth about suicide. Rick Morris will lead the discussion in the lounge following worship (at 10:30 a.m.). Please note: as this event is intended to be a frank conversation for adults, please use discretion.

MONDAY – FRIDAY / June 12-16

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is for children going into kindergarten through grade 5 this fall. VBS is a fun, energetic week of Bible-inspired lessons, music, games, crafts and other activities. It's a great way for kids to celebrate the end of the school year and kick off summer praising God! The program runs from 9 a.m.-noon June 12-16. Contact Rick Morris for more information. Register in the office or at goo.gl/forms/xhrqbbbVWPIVLRn82.

WEDNESDAY – June 14

Bible Study led by Al Depman at 6:30 p.m. in the lounge. Everyone is invited! The topic for June 14 and 28 is “What we believe – The Apostles' Creed.”

THURSDAY – June 15

The **FPC softball team** will play Berean/AT&T Conquerors #2 at 8:20 p.m. at McQuillan Field #1 (1 mile south of Cub Foods on Marion Road SE, turn right at the stop light).

SATURDAY – June 17

Mark your calendars for our first First Presbyterian Rochester **Habitat for Humanity work day** June 17 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. or whenever you need to leave.

For Your Information

VBS needs your help! Volunteers are needed to help with crafts, story telling, music, snacks, games, and shepherding. You can volunteer for one day or all five days! We also need wooden spring clip clothespins. Please bring them to the church office by June 10. To volunteer, contact Rick Morris (morris.rick@fpcrochester.org).

Thanks to everyone who supported the PW Rummage Sale May 22 - those who brought items for the sale, those who worked hours during the week unpacking and sorting, the many members who gave up a Saturday to work at the sale and then clean up ... and those who bought items *at* the sale. All of you are very much appreciated! The sale raised over \$5500 for PW mission projects.

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

The congregation is invited to help Don Cain celebrate his 90th birthday on June 17 from 3-5 p.m. in Edwards Hall at Charter House. Memories, photos, and stories are welcome!

Congratulations to Dan and Suzanne Tolman who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary June 8.

Congratulations to John and Elaine Griffith who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary June 10.

Congratulations to Titus and Carol Evans who will celebrate their 53rd wedding anniversary June 13.

Congratulations to William and Jean Johnson who will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary June 14.

Congratulations to James and Jean Miner who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary June 14.

Congratulations to Dennis and Ann Gastineau on the birth of their grandson, Carl Felix Carter, born May 22 to Dan and Beth (Gastineau) Carter in Wisconsin.

We extend our condolences to William Karnes on the death of his wife, Jeannine Karnes, May 25. The memorial service was this past Friday.

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Donnelly Heinekamp, who died May 29.

Bdecan team gathers supplies for babies going into foster care

This month the Bdecan VBS team is collecting sleepers, onesies, little socks, rattles, baby shampoo and other baby supplies for babies who live on the Spirit Lake Indian Reservation who go into foster care right after birth. The Bdecan VBS team will take them to North Dakota with them in July.

If you would rather help financially, we would welcome funds to buy diapers while we are in Devils Lake. Please make the check out to FPC with "baby program" on the memo line.

Thank you for your generous support for these little ones.

~ Marylynn Aalderks / Bdecan mission team

Fleece + Pattern + Love = Toy

If you have a sewing machine, we have another opportunity for you to be part of the Bdecan Mission Team. We have fleece remnants from the baby blankets we made in April and Vicki Wintheiser, who creates fleece animals for the pediatric department at St. Mary's Hospital, has shared her animal patterns. Now all we need is YOU!

During June, fleece and patterns will be available in the atrium on Sundays (and in the church office during the week). All you need to do is cut out the fabric, sew two pieces together, sew on eyes and mouths (no buttons) and we will do the "stuffing". Please return your finished animals to the church by July 1 and we will have a "stuffing party" before we leave on July 11.

~ Jane Hallman / Bdecan mission team



Abundance Orchard

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

June 12-16 / 9 a.m.-noon

"Abundance Orchard: where faith grows & the hungry are fed"

Sign up today!

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