

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
June 18, 2017
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 Sonata in F-Dur for Alto Recorders (Largo, Allegro) George Phillip Telemann
Recorder Ensemble; Dwight Jennings, coordinator

*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

Worship the Lord with gladness!

We come into God's presence with singing.

For the Lord our God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Cynthia Kunzman

◆ **Hymn 370** This Is My Father's World

TERRA BEATA

Call to Reconciliation with God (please be seated)

Through our Lord Jesus Christ we have obtained access to the grace in which we stand. With confidence in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

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

**Loving God, without your grace we are like sheep without a shepherd.
Sometimes we are harassed by sin and feel helpless against its power.
Sometimes, in our sin, we use our own power to harass the helpless. We are
wolves in sheep's clothing, innocent as serpents and wise as doves. Forgive
us, O Lord, and bring us home. Restore us to your flock and fold, we pray;
through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd. Amen.**

◆ Please stand if you are able.

Words of Life

Hear the good news of God's love: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*Since we are justified by faith we have peace with God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

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

Farewell Liturgy for Rick Morris

Pastor: Gracious God, we praise you and bless you for claiming us in the waters of baptism.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for blessing each of us with different gifts of the spirit for the work of ministry, so that your church may be the Body of Christ in the world.

Pastor: We thank you especially for your servant Rick Morris. Thank you for the abundant gifts of ministry he has faithfully shared with us in his time here. Thank you for your call upon him and the work he is doing to care for the earth at a critical time.

Congregation: O Lord, as we part company we ask for your guidance for this church and for Rick Morris. Help us through this time of transition. Help us make adjustments. Send us another gifted servant to guide our ministries of education and youth.

Pastor: And bless Rick Morris as he continues his important work. Help him meet the many challenges of this work with creativity and passion. Assure him of your continuing presence and blessing to support and guide him in this work.

Congregation: As he goes forth from this church and ministry, we release Rick with our gratitude, our blessings, our prayers, and our Christian love in the name of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, your love, O God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit go with you, Rick, and abide with you from this time forth and forevermore.

All: 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 288 (please be seated) Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

Reading from the Epistles Romans 5:1-8

Anthem Simple Gifts Spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes

Otis Laurberg, baritone; Carol Shaffer, accompanist

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed. To turn, turn will be our delight, till by turning, turning we come 'round right.

Time for All Our Young Worshippers

Hymn sung to All Things Bright and Beautiful ROYAL OAK

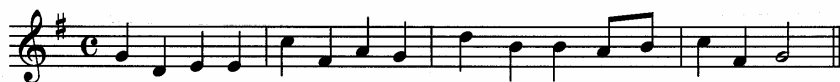
*Come, Lord Jesus, to this holy place, and bless the children here.
Guide them, mold them in your gentle ways, to know your love so dear.*

Text by Judith Smithson.

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

Reading from the Gospels Matthew 9:35-10:23

Alleluia



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

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Message

When Jesus talks...disciples listen

Rev. T. J. Parlette

** A Moment for Reflection **

Our Response

◆ **Hymn 298** Lord, You Give the Great Commission ABBOT'S LEIGH

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

Offertory

At the Offertory

Gigue for Recorder Consort
Recorder Ensemble

Thomas Van Dahm

◆ **Offertory 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.

◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**
**Good and holy God, for your steadfast love and faithfulness we give you thanks
and bless your name. Let our whole lives become songs of gratitude, joy and
praise so that all the earth may know that we are your people and you are our
God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sending

◆ **Hymn 733** We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

◆ **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

Litanies
Ryan Hulshizer, guest organist

Jehan Alain

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 Alleluia was written by Lee J Afdahl.

All are invited to stay after worship *today* for an informal reception and refreshments in the atrium to offer Rick Morris our best wishes. Rick will return to preach here on August 13.

Last Sunday we welcomed these new members to First Presbyterian Church:

Kevin and Sally Evans / 2715 East River Road NE / Rochester 55906 (507-319-2054)
Betty Hanson / 607 3rd Avenue NW / Byron 55920 (507-624-0181)
Laury Schalaus / 948 23rd Street SE / Rochester 55904 (507-282-7887)
Kristen Willaman / 9122 Valleyhigh Road NW / Byron 55920 (206-550-3817)

Rick's farewell

At the end of the month, I will be leaving my position as the coordinator of youth and Christian education. I have loved joining in ministry with our amazing crew of volunteers and especially getting to know our students. It's therefore with a heavy heart that I share this news. Fortunately, I will not be leaving Rochester. You may see me around town in my role as an environmental advocate with the Sierra Club, so please do say hi!

Thank You and Best Wishes

It is with sadness that we announce that Rick Morris and Vera Herr have resigned their positions at First Presbyterian Church. We wish them well in their future endeavors. Rick's last day with us will be June 23 and Vera has agreed to help out until we find a replacement.

Thank you, Rick! Thank you, Vera!

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

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
Security and custodial personnel: Steven Aug, Sally Evans, Tami Rinn

Office hours: Monday-Thursday (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.); Friday (7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.); Saturday (closed)

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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 18 – June 25 (and beyond)

TODAY – June 18

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.

Special thanks goes to members of the Recorder Ensemble, including Zoe Abrahamson, Elizabeth Dunn, Dwight Jennings (coordinator), Elizabeth Remfert, Ruth Saling, Karen Sessler, and Barbara Depman (harpsichord)

Special thanks also goes to guest organist Ryan Hulshizer. Ryan is an agent with Farm Bureau Financial Services in Northwood, Iowa.

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Judy Felten in memory of loved ones.

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.

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

All are invited to stay after worship *today* for an informal reception and refreshments in the atrium to offer Rick Morris our best wishes. Rick will return to preach here on August 13.

Vacation Bible School Survey. Following the service today, the CE committee will have a brief survey to gauge the interest for a 1 or 2 day bible camp on August 7-8. Please stop by so we know whether the camp is viable!

TUESDAY – June 20

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

First Players will play at 7:05 p.m. before the Honkers baseball game.

WEDNESDAY – June 21

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.

THURSDAY – June 22

The **FPC softball team** will play Assembly of God (green) 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).

Friday, June 23-Sunday, June 25

Handbell ringers from Alleluia Ringers and Joyous Praise and chaperones will attend a Young Ringers Camp at Camp Victory near Zumbro Falls.

SATURDAY – June 24

Watch for the **First Players** in the RochesterFest parade. The parade begins at 2 p.m.

SUNDAY – June 25

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Join Mark Mueller for a **group walk through downtown Rochester**. Start in the First Presbyterian parking lot and spend some time admiring the architectural details of some of the downtown buildings. We'll talk about some local history, and we may uncover some surprises. Questions? Contact Mark Mueller (markmueller@chartermi.net).

WEDNESDAY – June 28

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

THURSDAY – June 29

The **FPC softball team** will play Calvary Baptist at 6:30 p.m. at McQuillan Field #2 (1 mile south of Cub Foods on Marion Road SE, turn right at the stop light).

For Your Information

Vacation Bible School offered at Christ United Methodist. We are partnering with Christ United Methodist Church to offer a VBS program June 26-30. Scholarships are available through our church office; register at CUMethodist.com/vbs-2017

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

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.

The **Pentecost Offering** was dedicated June 4. 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 Arnold and Linda Schroeter who will celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary June 21.

Congratulations to John and Shirley Service who will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary June 22.

Congratulations to Robert and Gretchen MacCarty who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 24.

Congratulations to Lyle and Zoe Abrahamson who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary June 25.

Congratulations to Jay and Carolyn Beck who will celebrate their 51st wedding anniversary July 25.

We extend our condolences to Margie Schaaf on the death of her sister-in-law, Linda Schaaf, June 12 in Bloomington, Indiana.

Job Openings

First Presbyterian Church has two job openings:

- Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education
- Custodian

If you would like to apply for either of these positions, please pick up an application form and job description in the church office.