

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
July 2, 2017
Fourth 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 Give Thanks to Those Whose Faith Is Firm Robert Powell
See hymn 731 for meditation

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 Psalm 89 Melody Tiedeman

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord,

And proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Your steadfast love endures forever.

Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.

Happy are those who sing your praise

And extol your righteousness all the day.

◆ **Hymn 337** My Country, 'Tis of Thee AMERICA

Call to Confession (please be seated) Psalm 89
Let us confess our sins to God, whose loving kindness endures forever.

Silent Confession

Kyrie

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Lord, have mer - cy up - on us,
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

◆ Please stand if you are able.

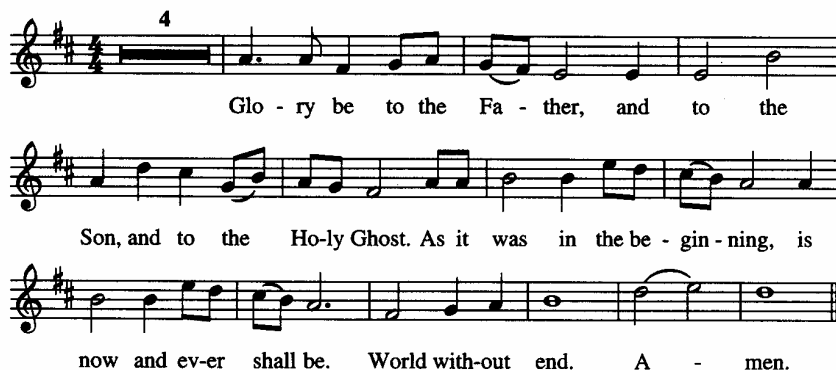
Unison Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you taught us to love you and our neighbor, but we have not lived in right relationship or walked in the light of your love. Forgive us for the wrongs we have done; we know that the wages of sin is death. Yet we trust in your gift of forgiveness, which is freedom and life in Christ. Amen.

Words of Life

Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ. Be at peace, for you have been freed from sin that you may serve with righteousness, to the glory and praise of God. Amen.

◆ **Gloria Patri**



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
 Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is
 now and ev-er shall be. 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 460 (st. 1) (seated) Break Thou the Bread of Life BREAD OF LIFE
 Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.
 Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord. My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

Reading from the Epistles Romans 6:12-23

Anthem Here I Am, Lord Craig Courtney
Robert Jacobson, baritone; Dwight Jennings, saxophone

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

Reading from the Gospels Matthew 10:40-42

Alleluia hymn 591 (refrain) Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! HALLE, HALLE

Message You're Welcome Rev. T. J. Parlette

** A Moment for Reflection **

Our Response

◆ **Hymn 530** One Bread, One Body ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

Calendar for the week of July 2 – July 9 (and beyond)

From now through Labor Day Sunday we will have one service of worship at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday.

TODAY – July 2

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God in loving memory of Bernadine Simons by Larry and Wendy Shannon, her daughter and son-in-law.

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.

Because of schedule conflicts, the monthly Parish Nursing program to check your blood pressure is cancelled for July. The next time will be August 6.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY – July 3 and 4

The church will be closed both days in observance of Independence Day.

TUESDAY – July 4

Grief Support Group is rescheduled to Wednesday, July 5.

Deacons do NOT meet in July or August. Their next meeting will be September 5.

Most committees do NOT meet in July, but if you aren't sure about your committee, check with your lead elder.

WEDNESDAY – July 5

Grief Support Group will meet at 11 a.m. in the library.

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

THURSDAY – July 6

The **Bdecan team** invites you to join us in the social hall on from 1 to 3 p.m. for a "stuffing" party. We will be adding fiber-fill to the small animal toys sewn by several church members as well as sewing on eyes, noses, and ribbons by hand. All supplies will be furnished — just bring your willingness to "stuff" and sew.

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

SUNDAY – July 9

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Summer Walk-in Choir will sing. Come at 9 a.m. to rehearse. All singers are welcome! Please join us and bring friends or family members who do not usually sing with us. The Choir will also sing August 14.

TUESDAY – July 11

Bdecan Mission Team leaves for North Dakota. The congregation is invited to join them for a brief prayer at 7:45 a.m. — and then they'll be off. While in North Dakota they'll lead a VBS, meet with the women of the church, and attend worship with the congregation Sunday morning before heading home. Please remember them in prayer during the week. The group will return July 16.

WEDNESDAY – July 12

Kitchen Guild meets at 1 p.m.

Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. in the lounge. The topic July 12 continues "What we believe – The Apostles' Creed." The study is led by Al Depman.

THURSDAY – July 13

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

SATURDAY – July 15

We will not have an organized First Presbyterian volunteer group for Rochester Area **Habitat for Humanity** in July, but please keep August 19 on your calendars!

SUNDAY – July 16 (worship and picnic)

Worship at 10:30 a.m. in the social hall. Note change of time from usual Sundays. After worship we will have a cookout with hamburgers, hotdogs, beverages, and paper products provided. Please bring a side dish, vegetable, salad, fruit, or your favorite pie to share. Please sign up in the atrium July 2 or 9 or call the church office if you plan to come.

WEDNESDAY – July 26

Presbyterian Women will host its annual **Medical Missions Coffee** from 1-3 p.m. at the home of Bev Lewis (1609 Ridge Drive NE). At 1:45 Johanna O'Neill, Supportive Housing Site Director at Gage East Apartments, a new facility for homeless youth and homeless families in Rochester, will talk about "Homelessness: The Gage East Project."

For Your Information

Sanctuary maintenance. We will be doing much needed maintenance in the sanctuary between July 6-21. The organ will not be available while we do the work and the youth room will be closed. We apologize for the inconvenience and ask for your patience during this time. (Harry Coleman)

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

Congratulations to Douglas and Joyce Nelson who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary July 8.

Congratulations to Dan and Sunny Moore who will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary July 10.

Job Openings

First Presbyterian Church has three job openings:

- Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education
- Custodian
- Child Care worker

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



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