

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**July 9, 2017**  
**Fifth 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**

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

David Cherwien

*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

*Come, all you who carry heavy burdens, and Christ will give you rest.*

**For he is gentle and humble in heart: in him we find rest for our souls.**

Paul Steger

## ◆ Hymn 686

God of Our Life

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## Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

*God upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. Therefore let us confess our sin with every confidence that we will be lifted up.*

## 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.

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Holy One, we confess to you and to each other that we are tired and weighed down by the mistakes we have made, even in our closest relationships with our friends, our spouses, and our partners. We give this burden to you, mindful of Jesus' promise that he will give us rest. We trust in you. Amen.**

**Words of Life**

*Friends, hear the good news of our faith: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, showing compassion to all. Forgiven and freed, let us move forward on the path God has given us. 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.

**Commissioning of Mission Team to Bdecan Presbyterian Church / Tokio, North Dakota**

◆ **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 Gospels** Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

**Anthem** Come Unto Me (See hymn 182) arr. Dale Wood  
 Summer Choir

**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 Epistles** Romans 7:15-25a

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

**Message** Making a "to-don't" list Rev. T. J. Parlette  
 \* A Moment for Reflection \*

**Our Response**

◆ **Hymn 783** When We Are Tested **ANGELS OF HEALING**

- ◆ **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      Jesus Loves Me      Mark Hayes  
Summer Choir; Dwight Jennings, saxophone

- ◆ **Offertory Response 708** (stanza 1) We Give Thee but Thine Own      SCHUMANN  
We give Thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

- ◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**  
**Compassionate God, we ask that you bless and multiply these gifts, that they  
may be used to proclaim the glory of your kingdom and make known to all  
people the power of your saving acts. Amen.**

***Sending***

- ◆ **Hymn 846**      Fight the Good Fight      DUKE STREET
- ◆ **Benediction**
- ◆ **Benediction Response**      Go Now in Peace      Don Besig
- Postlude**      Fanfare      C. S. Lang

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 J. Afdahl and is published in "Holy Is the Lord."

**About Our Church**

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor      Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant  
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor      Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator  
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist      Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager

Child Care staff: 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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# Go Now in Peace

Don Besig

Voice

Go now in peace. Nev - er be a - fraid. God will go  
with you each hour of ev - 'ry day. Go now in faith, stead-fast strong and  
true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in  
love, and show you be - lieve. Reach out to othe - ers so all the world can  
see. God will be there watch - ing from a - bove. Go now in  
peace, in faith, and in love.

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The **Bdecan VBS mission team** wishes to thank the members of First Presbyterian Church for their kindness! We will be taking the generous donations of baby clothing and baby items to the Spirit Lake Indian Reservation this week. We will use cash donations to purchase diapers and other needed items for these babies. These generous gifts will help the babies who are starting out their lives in foster care and make that transition easier. Thank you all for your amazing generosity!

The Bdecan Mission team: Phyllis Schmid, Jane Hallman, Heide Buettner, Cindy Kunzman, Susie McClocklin, Sara Kluck, Jean Abels, Ginger Kirby and Marylynn Alderks.

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## ***Calendar for the week of July 9 – July 16 (and beyond)***

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

### **TODAY – July 9**

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by William Karnes 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.

The **Summer Choir** is singing today and will also sing August 13. All singers are welcome! Please join us and bring friends or family members who do not usually sing with us. No long-term commitment is expected.

### **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.

### **MONDAY – July 17**

Items for the August newsletter are due to Carol either at fpc\_carol@hotmail.com or in the office.

### **TUESDAY – July 18**

**Session** does NOT meet in July. The next meeting will be August 15

### **WEDNESDAY – July 19**

**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.

### **SUNDAY – July 23**

**Worship at 9:30 a.m.**

Join Mark Mueller for a **group walk through Cascade Meadow Wetlands** (2900 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW) beginning at 1 p.m. Cascade Meadow sits on a 100-acre site of which 90 acres of natural areas have been restored. Two miles of trails winds its way through seven different types of wetlands and three upland communities. Bring a hat and water and wear sunscreen. Feel free to invite a friend. Questions? Contact Mark Mueller (markmueller@chartermi.net).

### **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."

**Bible Study** at 6:30 p.m. in the lounge. The topic July 26 will be selections from the Revised Common Lectionary and will be led by Mark Mueller.

### ***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 Ralph and Naomi Spiekerman who will celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary July 12.

Congratulations to Jon and Karen Thiem who will celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary July 18.

Congratulations to Donald and Ardith Ottman who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary July 19.

Happy Birthday to Sunny Moore who will celebrate her 91st birthday July 19.

### ***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.