

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day  
August 6, 2017  
Ninth 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**

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown  
Lee Afdahl, organ

Erik Routley

I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger arr Morris, Smith and Patty  
Christopher Boswell, handbells

*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**

Kathryn Lenn

*Why do you spend money on what does not nourish you?*

**Why do you work for what does not nurture you?**

*Listen, come and eat healthy food that will delight you.*

**Come and partake in the Spirit that will give you life**

*Come, let us worship God.*

### ◆ **Hymn 270**

O Lord, You Are My God and King

JERUSALEM

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

*Our faith promises that all who call out to God for truth will learn that God is near.*

*Therefore let us look within for our truth and honestly confess our sin ...*

### **Silent Confession**

### **Kyrie 576** (refrain)

Lord, Have Mercy

SINGAPURA

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

### **Unison Prayer of Confession**

**God of justice and mercy, we admit that we are not free of deceit. We are easily fooled by the false promises of the world into pursuing things that do not truly nourish us. Hear our cry and save us, dear God, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

◆ Please stand if you are able.

**Words of Life**

*God is all mercy and forgiveness. Everything God does is suffused with grace! God's forgiveness is not something to be earned through sacrifice; it is a free gift from our generous God.*

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

◆ **Gloria Patri 581**                      Glory Be to the Father                      GREATOREX  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, 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** (please be seated)                      Lisa Riggle

Lord, let me be a ves - sel through - which your love is

poured; — let it fill me, wash o - ver me, — cov - er me ev - er more.

**Reading from the Psalms**                      Psalm 145:1-4, 8-9, 14-21

**Anthem**                      Come to the Water                      John Foley  
Kathryn Lenn, mezzo-soprano

**Time for All Our Young Worshipers**  
**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.*

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 Prophets**                      Isaiah 55:1-5  
*This is the word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia from hymn 239**                      Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!                      GELOBT SEI GOTT

**Message**                      *Listening to God*                      Rev. Jay Rowland  
*\* A Moment for Reflection \**

**Our Response**

◆ **Hymn 395**                      Blessed Jesus, at Your Word                      LIEBSTER JESU

◆ **Affirmation of Faith**

**We belong to God, creator of all that is and all that is to come;  
abundant provider of the gifts in this life and the gifts in our own hearts.  
God alone gives life, God is generous beyond measure with grace and blessing.**

**We follow Christ, whom God sent to teach and heal, to show us a new way of living,  
with love and trust and courage, with joy and generosity.  
In this faith Jesus gave of himself, even his very life.  
He was crucified and buried; yet God raised him from death,  
and he lives among us, and grants his spirit to us.**

**We live by that Holy Spirit, and entrust ourselves to its guidance and empowerment.  
As members of the church, the Body of Christ, we devote ourselves to lives of love,  
rejoicing in the power of forgiveness, the reality of resurrection, and the mystery  
of eternal life. Amen.**

**Offertory**

At the offertory      Your Table, I Approach (ST. MICHAEL)      Donald Rottermund

◆ **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**

**Loving and generous God, you provide for us and bless us beyond our count.  
Bless this offering that it would reveal your wondrous and steadfast love to all  
who live in need of it. In the wonderful name of Jesus Christ. 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.

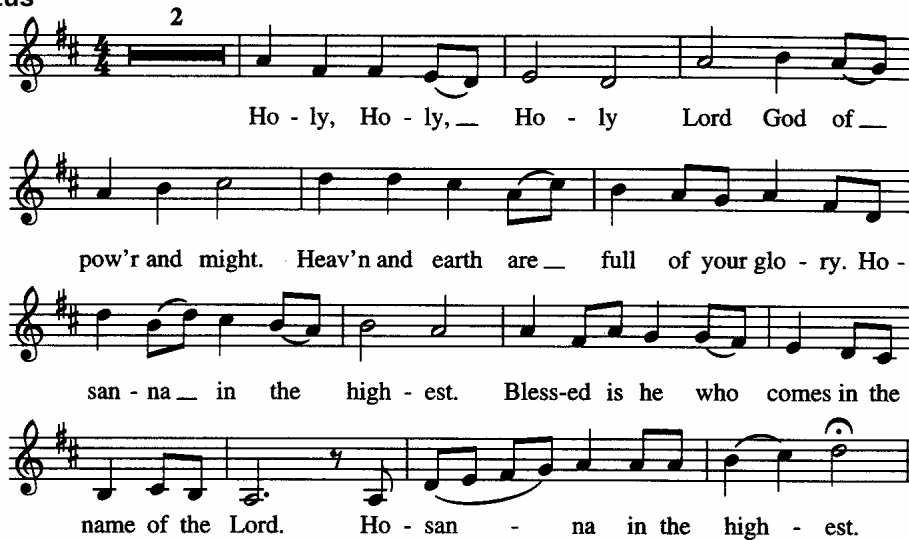
**Invitation**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our — thanks and praise." The first staff is for the Minister/Cantor, the second for the People, and the third for the People. There are fermatas over the notes for "you." and "God." in the second staff.

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

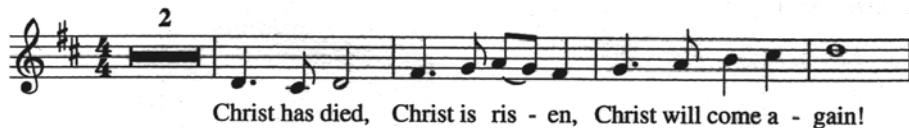
## Sanctus



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.

...And so we praise you, O God. Accept our praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:

## Memorial Acclamation



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

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

## 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 502, "Feed Us, Lord."

## Prayer after Communion

### Sending

- ◆ Hymn 550 Give Praise to the Lord LAUDATE DOMINUM
  - ◆ Benediction
  - ◆ Response 547 (st. 1) Go, My Children, with My Blessing AR HYD Y NOS  
Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.
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## Postlude

Festal Finale

Henry Coleman

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."

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## Calendar for the week of August 6 – August 13 (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 – August 6

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Mary Huie 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** are available in the atrium both before (beginning at 8:45) and after the service.

One of our parish nurses will be in the library after the service to take your **blood pressure** and answer questions you may have about your health.

### WEDNESDAY – August 9

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

### THURSDAY – August 10

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

### SUNDAY – August 13

**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.

### TUESDAY – August 15

Items for the September newsletter are due to Carol either at [fpc\\_carol@hotmail.com](mailto:fpc_carol@hotmail.com) or in the office.

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

### WEDNESDAY – August 16

**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 – August 19

First Presbyterian Rochester Habitat for Humanity work day from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. or whenever you need to leave - lunch will be provided. No construction experience is necessary as there are always jobs for every comfort level - from sweeping to hammering nails to using the power saw. Please let Sarah Edgerton know if you plan to come ([edgertonsarah@gmail.com](mailto:edgertonsarah@gmail.com)) to confirm the location and so there will be enough food.

### For Your Information

We have an immediate need for a part time security (evenings) and Sunday custodian person at First Presbyterian. This would be 1-2 evenings a week and approximately 2 Sunday mornings a month. If you are interested, or know of someone who would be interested, please call Sue Kruger in the office (507-282-1618).

We're working on the **all-church calendar** for the coming program year (September 2017-September 2018). If you or your committee have activities you want included, please let Carol Evans know (282-1618 or [fpc\\_carol@hotmail.com](mailto:fpc_carol@hotmail.com))

**Vote for a new basketball court at Friendship Place.** The park next to Friendship Place is heavily used but has only a half court basketball area. We're hoping to have the court refurbished through the New Era New Courts program presented by U.S. Bank and the Timberwolves. Please go to [nba.com/timberwolves/NewEraNewCourts](http://nba.com/timberwolves/NewEraNewCourts) and vote for the Friendship Park court. You can vote every day on both your phone and your computer. Voting ends August 6. Thank you! (Jane Goodfriend),

**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 on the cart in the atrium.

### Among the Church Family

Happy Anniversary to Frank and Lynda Sharbrough who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary August 12.

Happy Anniversary to John and Linda Tillotson who will celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary August 15.

Congratulations to Donna Lee on the birth of her great grandson, Jones Logan Bauer, born July 24 to Jacob and Marisa Bauer.

Marisa Bauer, granddaughter of Donna Lee, received a Masters in Education from Viterbo College in July. Marisa is a kindergarten teacher in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

### Job Openings

First Presbyterian Church has two job openings:

- Custodian
- Child Care worker

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

### About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor  
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor  
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist

Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant  
Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator  
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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