

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**November 5, 2017**  
**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

**8:30 and 11 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 social hall following the 8:30 service and in the atrium following the 11:00 service.

*\* As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones. \**

## Gathering

**Prelude**

In Paradisum  
Joyous Praise Choir

Fauré, Sherman

*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

(8:30) Dan Wentz  
(11:00) Jay Beck

*O give thanks to the Lord, who is good.*

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

*Let the redeemed of the Lord say so:*

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

*Let us worship the Lord.*

## ◆ Hymn 395

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

LIEBSTER JESU

## Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

*God turns the desert into pools of water and guides those who have gone astray. Let  
us confess to God the depth of our need, that we may be saved from trouble.*

## Silent Confession

## Kyrie 604

Lamb of God

AGNUS DEI (Farlee)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace; grant us peace.



**Message**

*Humble Pie(ty)*

Rev. T. J. Parlette

*\* A moment for reflection – may God continue to speak to us in the silence. \**

***Our Response***

◆ **Hymn 460**

Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE

**Affirmation of Faith**

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Invitation to the Offering**

*Let God's Word be at work within you, as we offer our gifts with glad and joyful hearts.*

**Offertory**

At the offertory  
(8:30)

A Simple Path I Walk Along  
Chancel Choir

Valerie Showers Crescenz

A simple path I walk along, and though the journey's long, the Lord Himself shall go with me, His strength will make me strong.

A simple path I walk along, and others go with me, the suffering ones, the homeless ones, and those in poverty. Yet in each face I look upon, it's Jesus that I see, for Jesus said, "As you do to them, so you do to me."

A simple path I walk along, and by His grace I go, so when the lonely reach for me the love of God they'll know. He helps me lift the heavy yoke of those placed in my care, and ev'ry burden now becomes my privilege to bear.

On this path I walk along, no mansions line the way, just little shacks and tenements, darkness and decay. But yet this humble, simple path leads right to heaven's door. The Lord Himself will greet me there, to live forevermore.

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(11:00)

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Paul Manz

◆ **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**

**Giver of all good gifts, how can we thank you for your neverending love! Even our very lives are not enough. Accept these offerings as tokens of our gratitude and signs of our hope in the realm you have promised, the kingdom for which we wait. In Jesus' name we pray. 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**

*Minister/Cantor*                      *People*                      *Minister/Cantor*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts.

*People*                      *Minister/Cantor*

We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give our — thanks and praise.

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

**Sanctus**

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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.

... Great is the mystery of faith:

**Memorial Acclamation**

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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 507, "Come to the Table of Grace."

**Prayer after Communion**

**Sending**

◆ **Benediction**

◆ **Benediction Response**

Go Now in Peace

Don Besig

**Postlude**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Paul Manz

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."

## 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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### About Our Church

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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 November 5 – November 12 (and beyond)

### SUNDAY – November 5

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by David and Dwight Jones in memory of their mother, Mary E. Jones.

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.

#### Education hour:

9:40-10:45: Nursery - preschool (3-years-old)

9:40-10:45: Sunday school/education hour for grade 6 – adult education

9:40-10:20: Calvin Choir for grades 2-5

9:40-10:20: Sunday school for age 3-grade 1

10:20-10:50: Cherub Choir for age 4-grade 1

10:20-11:00: Sunday school for grades 2-5

#### Adults:

9:40 a.m.: *Current Events: Beyond the Headlines* (lounge/E-207)

9:40 a.m.: *Kerygma Bible Study of Matthew* (south fireside room/A-104)

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

**Rev. Cynthia Ray**, Executive Director of Presbyterian Association of Homes & Services for the Aging, will lead a workshop, **“Remember those who forget,”** in the social hall during the education hour (9:40 a.m.). The workshop will explore how congregations can better serve persons with dementia, their families and caregivers.

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

### MONDAY – November 6

**Presbyterian of the Twin Cities Area** meets at 4 p.m. at Church of the Way in Shoreview.

### TUESDAY – November 7

**Grief Support Group** meets at 11 a.m. in the library.

**Deacons** meet 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 – November 8

**Kitchen Guild** meets at 1 p.m.

Wednesday Activities	
4:15	Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5)
5:00	Youth Choir (grades 6-12)
5:45	Middle School youth group (grades 6-8)
5:45	Senior High youth group (grades 9-12)
6:30	Adult Bible study – <i>Class Warfare in the Bible</i>
7:00	Joyous Praise handbells (grades 6-12 & adults)

### THURSDAY – November 9

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

**Jubilate Deo Bells** rehearses at 6:15 p.m.

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY – November 10

**Memorial Service for Patricia Gastineau** at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary.

**Parents Night Out Sitter Service** from 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Sign up in the atrium November 5 or call the church office by Tuesday, November 7.

### SUNDAY – November 12 (Stewardship Dedication)

**Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.**

**Session has called a meeting of the congregation** for 9:30 a.m. to elect new classes of deacons and elders and congregational representatives for the Endowment and Nominating Committees. Names will be presented by the Nominating Committee. Nominations from the floor will be accepted provided the nominee has given prior approval to having his or her name placed on the slate.

### TUESDAY – November 14

**A Festival of Music committee** meets at 7:15 p.m. in the north fireside room.

### WEDNESDAY – November 15

**Priscilla Circle** meets at 9:15 a.m. in the lounge.

**Crafters Group** meets at 3 p.m. in the social hall.

All Wednesday activities will meet as scheduled.

### THURSDAY – November 16

**Jubilate Deo Bells** rehearses at 6:15 p.m.

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

### SATURDAY – November 18

**Ruth Circle** meets at 10 a.m. in the lounge.

### SUNDAY – November 19

**Worship** at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

**A Festival of Music** presents Rachel Laurin, concert organist, at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary.

## For Your Information

**“Stewardship 2018: Gratitude.”** Our ability to accomplish our goal is dependent on the generous financial support of the congregation. Please do your part by making a generous pledge and returning your pledge card during worship on Dedication Sunday, November 12; by mail; or in the offering plate any Sunday.

On Wednesday evenings from November 29 through December 20, Rev. Parlette will lead an **Advent study** on the book "Faithful: Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph." Register by calling the church office. The book for the study is \$15, payable to the church.

Help celebrate the Advent season with a \$15 donation to the **poinsettia fund**. The plants will be delivered by the Deacons to our 40 C.A.R.E. members. To contribute, put your check (note for poinsettias) in the offering plate or mail it to the church office.

**Sign up to light the candles on the Advent wreath.** We are looking for families or individuals who would like to light one of the Advent candles any Sunday during the Advent season. Sign up at Sign Up Genius. Follow the link if you received an "invite." If you didn't, logon or register at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com) and search for signups created by [duffer34@gmail.com](mailto:duffer34@gmail.com). You can also e-mail Paul Steger at [duffer45@gmail.com](mailto:duffer45@gmail.com) and he will sign you up. We offer opportunities each Sunday in Advent at both 8:30 and 11:00 services.

## Among the Church Family

Happy Birthday to Joanne Curnutt, who will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday November 8.