

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
October 7, 2018
Twentieth 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. Please use a blue mug so we can identify and greet you.
- **Attention, guests:** We want to let you know what's happening here at FPC. Text the word **welcome** to **507-200-3175** so we can invite you to regular or special events via text, email, or voicemail—you decide which. Help us properly welcome you today!

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

Gathering

Prelude

Fantasy in A Minor Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Lois Marsh, guest organist

*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 heart in prayer.*

Greeting and Welcome

Please sign the Opportunity for Friendship Register and pass it to the person next to you.

Minute for Stewardship

(11:00) Ron Kreinbring

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

(8:30) Judy Smithson
(11:00) Phyllis Schmid

To my sisters and brothers, I will tell your glory:

O Lord our God, how majestic is your name!

In the great congregation I will sing your praise:

O Lord our God, how majestic is your name!

Let us worship the Lord.

◆ Hymn 619

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

Call to Reconciliation with God (please be seated)

*We have an advocate on high: Jesus Christ, who stooped down to save us from sin
but rose in honor and glory to reign forever. Therefore let us seek God's grace.*

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.

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a fermata over the first measure, followed by the lyrics 'Lord, have mer - cy up - on us,'. The second staff continues with 'Christ, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.' and ends with a double bar line.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you created us to live in relationship with you, to love and serve one another, and to care for all your creatures. Yet, in the hardness of our hearts, we dismiss your commandments and seek to go our separate ways. Lord have mercy on us. Redeem, restore, and re-create us, for the sake of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Responsive Words of Life

What are we that God is mindful of us? Who are we that God should care for us?

Yet God now calls us beloved children; Jesus now claims us as sisters and brothers.

This is the good news of God's grace; In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

◆ Gloria Patri

4

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.

The musical notation consists of three staves in G major and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a fermata over the first measure, followed by the lyrics 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the'. The second staff continues with 'Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is'. The third staff concludes with 'now and ev-er shall be. World with-out end. A - men.' and ends with a double bar line.

◆ 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)

O Lord our God, your word is a lamp to our feet and a

light to our path. Give us grace to re - ceive your truth in

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major and common time. The first staff begins with the lyrics 'O Lord our God, your word is a lamp to our feet and a'. The second staff continues with 'light to our path. Give us grace to re - ceive your truth in' and ends with a double bar line.

faith and love, that we may be o - be - dient
to your will and live al - ways for your glo - ry through
Je - sus Christ our Sav - vior A - - - men.

Reading from the Psalter

Psalms 8

Anthem

(8:30)

Servants of Peace
Chancel Choir and congregation

K. Lee Scott

All 1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace:
Women 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;
Choir 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek
All 4 May we not look for love's re - turn,
All 5 Dy - ing, we live and are re - born

where there is hate, may we sow love;
where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
to be con - soled, but to con - sole,
but seek to love un - self - ish - ly.
through death's dark night to end - less day.

Men where there is hurt, may we for - give;
where all is night, may we sow light;
nor look to un - der - stand - ing hearts,
For in our giv - ing we re - ceive,
Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace,

where there is strife, may we make one.
where all is tears, may we sow joy.
but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
and in for - giv - ing are for - giv'n.
to wake at last in heav - en's light.

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(11:00) Create in Me a Clean Heart (Psalm 51:10-12) Jeff Reeves

Calvin Choir; Katie Kruger, director; Barbara Depman, accompanist

Create in me a clean heart, make my spirit right and true. Guide me with your wisdom, Lord, as I seek to follow you. God of creation and Lord of my life, show me how I can be more like you in all that I do, in word and thought and deed. Give me strength to trust and obey. Call me with your voice of love to the light of your perfect way. Restore in me your joy, the gift of life anew; and then shall my mouth sing songs of praise, for all that comes from you.

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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.

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 Old Testament

Genesis 2:18-23

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



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

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Message

The Year of the Woman

Rev. T. J. Parlette

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

Our Response

◆ Hymn 504

We Come as Guests Invited

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

◆ Litany for World Communion

Let us give thanks for the churches that together form our Lord's whole church.

There is one Body and one Spirit, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.

*We are grateful, O God, for the **Roman Catholic** church,*

Gloriously renewed in our century, open to unity in witness and service.

*We praise you for the churches of **Eastern Orthodoxy**:*

For the mystic beauty of their liturgies, their vivid sense of the Risen Lord, their profound communal experience.

*We thank you for the churches named after your servant, **Martin Luther**:*

For their witness to the primacy of your Word and of your gift of faith, by which alone we are justified.

*We glorify you for the churches of the **Reformed and Presbyterian** family:*

For their stress on your sovereignty and our responsibility, and for their devotion to liberty within order.

*We thank you for the **Anglican** church:*

For her inclusiveness, her flexibility, her unfaltering commitment to reconciliation and reunion.

*We praise you for churches of the **Baptist** tradition:*

For their insistence on the freedom of your Spirit and on our need to be reborn by that Spirit.

*We are grateful, O God, for the churches of **Methodism**:*

For their testimony on behalf of a disciplined Christian life and for their courageous pursuit of social justice.

*We praise you for your people known as **Friends**:*

For the simple dignity of their meetings, their respect for the Inner Light, their commitment to nonviolence.

*We praise you for the churches of **Pentecostalism**:*

For their emphasis on the gifts of the Spirit.

*We thank you for **independent churches** and those of **smaller denominations**,
Who are on fire to share the faith.*

*We thank you for the young churches of **Africa, Asia and the Pacific Basin**:*

For their evangelistic vigor, their service to the poor, their witness on behalf of human liberation.

*We glorify you for the pioneers of the twentieth-century **Ecumenical Movement** fostering cooperation and reunion in the place of strangeness and frequent, unseemly rivalry.*

O God, whose divine Son prayed that we might all be one in him, accept our thanksgiving for the spiritual riches inherent in the diversity of his churches, but remind us even more of the reality of his one ecumenical church, for “there is one Body and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one Baptism.” Amen.

Offertory

At the Offertory
(8:30)

Come and Taste
Chancel Choir

arr. Alice Parker

Come and taste along with me, consolation flowing free from the Father's wealthy throne, sweeter than the honeycomb. I'll praise God and you praise God, and we'll all praise God together; we'll praise the Lord for the work that He has done, and we'll bless his name forever.

All that come with free good will make the banquet sweeter still; now I go to mercy's door, asking for a little more. I'll praise God and you praise God, and we'll all praise God together; we'll praise the Lord for the work that He has done, and we'll bless his name forever.

Goodness, running like a stream through the new Jerusalem, by constant breaking forth sweetens earth and heaven both. I'll praise God and you praise God, and we'll all praise God together; we'll praise the Lord for the work that He has done, and we'll bless his name forever.

O, return, ye sons of grace, turn and see God's smiling face. Hark, he calls backsliders home, then from him no longer roam. I'll praise God and you praise God, and we'll all praise God together; we'll praise the Lord for the work that He has done, and we'll bless his name forever.

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(11:00)

Adagio from Concerto in B Minor

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748), ed. Charles Callahan
Lois Marsh, guest organist

- ◆ **Offertory Response 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDRETH
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**

Lord God, you have entrusted us with the works of your own hands. Now we return these gifts to you with thanksgiving and praise. Use them all for your glory and for the good of your world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 choirs of angels and with all the faithful from ever time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus

2

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.

... Believing Christ's promise of eternal life, we live in him and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Memorial Acclamation

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

Lord's Prayer in languages from around the world

Pulpit

Chinese – Yamei Wang
 Japanese – Kiyomi Takekawa
 Taiwanese – Yamei Wang

Lectern

German – Heide Buettner
 Spanish – Susanna Stone
 French – Heide Buettner

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 533, "In the Singing."

Prayer after Communion

Sending

◆ Hymn 515

I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE

◆ Benediction

◆ Benediction Response

Amen



Postlude

Toccata in F Major Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)
Lois Marsh, guest organist

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 service music was written by Lee J Afdahl and is published in "Holy Is the Lord."

World Communion Sunday

What exactly is World Communion Sunday? Is it just a day where denominations intentionally receive communion? Or is there more to it?

The communion table is often called the "table of grace" because it is where we are nourished by God's grace in order to live out that grace in the world. The grace we share can take many forms. It might look like the Congolese woman courageously traveling into the bush to ask a war rebel to give up his arms so her people can live in peace. It could come in the form of two racially different congregations intentionally gathering together to address racial tensions. It might mean a congregation working to turn donated guns into rope pumps for wells, thus creating a source of life-giving water for families in Malawi.

As we commemorate World Communion Sunday, we will receive the Peace & Global Witness Offering. As we acknowledge the violence and division in our world, in our country, and in our community, we are invited to come together to the table and join in communion with sisters and brothers all over the world. As we bring our gifts, we gather with other worshiping communities around the country to strengthen Christ's work for peace through our church. Twenty-five percent of funds received will be used for programs that build peace in our community. Twenty-five percent will be used at our mid council level and the remaining fifty percent will be used at the national level.

What we share on World Communion Sunday today will deepen connections to international peacemakers working in some of the most difficult places of conflict in the world. It will provide opportunities to learn more about global conflict, racism, militarization, gun violence, bullying, and church conflict, and provide resources that train people like us to be part of proclaiming Christ's peace to all God's children.

Please give generously.

About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator
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Office hours: Monday-Thursday (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.); Friday (7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.); Saturday (9:30 a.m.-noon)

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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 October 7 – October 14 (and beyond)

SUNDAY – October 7 (World Communion Sunday)

We thank all who are sharing their ministries in worship today. Special thanks go to Lois Marsh, guest organist.

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Lynn Postier in memory of family and 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.

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: Clipped from the papers* (lounge/E-207)

9:40 a.m.: *Kerygma Study: "The Jesus Movement and the World of the Early Church"* (south fireside room/A-104)

Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

Peace and Global Witness Offering will be dedicated at both services.

One of our parish nurses will be in the library between services to take your **blood pressure**.

A two-week **new member class** begins today.

Anyone interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, or in finding out more about our church, is welcome.

The class will meet in the office at 9:40 a.m. If you decide to join, new members will meet with the Session October 14 and be recognized by the congregation at the 11 a.m. service that day.

TUESDAY, October 9

Kitchen Guild meets at 1:30 p.m.

FOM committee meets at 7:15 p.m. in the north fireside room.

WEDNESDAY – October 10

Wednesday Activities	
4:15	Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5)
5:00	Youth Choir (grades 6-12)
5:30	Recorder Ensemble
5:45	Middle/High School youth (grades 6-12)
6:30	Bible Study: <i>How we worship</i> (Al Depman)
7:00	Joyous Praise handbells (intergenerational)

THURSDAY – October 11

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 - October 12

Parents Night Out Sitter Service from 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Sign up in the atrium October 7 or in the church office or by calling Gayle Jones (993-2443) by Tuesday, October 9.

SATURDAY – October 13

The **Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women** in the Twin Cities Area Presbytery will be held at Calvin Presbyterian Church, Long Lake beginning at 9 a.m. The program will emphasize missions: Niger Coalition, Rural

Health Care Initiative in Sierra Leone, and Dwelling Place in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

SUNDAY – October 14 (Stewardship Kickoff)

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Youth Group outing to Northwoods Orchard (8018 75th Avenue NW / Oronoco). Meet at the Orchard at 2 p.m. We'll explore the corn maze, enjoy a wagon ride, and make s'mores by the campfire. Cost is \$5 and permission slips are required. Contact Susanna with questions or to get a permission slip.

A Festival of Music will present organist David Baskeyfield in the opening concert of the 2018-2019 season at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary.

MONDAY – October 15

Information for the **November Good News** is due in the office or to evans.carol@fpcrochester.org.

Esther Circle meets at 1 p.m. in the lounge.

TUESDAY - October 16

Session meets at 7 p.m. in the south fireside room.

WEDNESDAY – October 17

No choirs, bells, youth activities, or Bible study because of MEA meetings.

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

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

Recorder Ensemble meets at 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY – October 20

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

SUNDAY – October 21

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

For Your Information

Reminder: Submissions for the Advent Devotional Guide are due on Monday, October 15, to kruger.sue@fpcrochester.org.

The **Nominating Committee** is looking for the names of candidates to serve the congregation beginning January 2019. There are positions available for six elders, seven deacons, and an at-large candidate for the Endowment Committee. These are three-year terms, 2019-2021. There is also a two-year opening for an Elder and a one-year opening for a Deacon. There are also five openings for next year's Nominating Committee, a one-year commitment. If you are interested in finding out more about what these positions entail, contact a member of the current Nominating Committee. If there is someone you'd like to nominate for a position, we will be glad to consider them. [Karen Sessler (lead elder), Joe Doppler (elder), Lucinda Cutrer (elder), Tammy Buchanan, Katie Lenn, Terry Narr, Jason Wobig, Melissa Wobig, and Shelly Steger (Deacons representative)]

Among the Church Family

Happy Birthday to Jo Rockwell who will celebrate her 92nd birthday October 10.

Happy Birthday to Jane Destro who will celebrate her 91st birthday October 12.

Congratulations to William and Sharon Nichols who will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary October 12.