

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**July 16, 2023**  
**Ordinary Time**

**10:00 A.M.**

## ***Welcome to worship***

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

## ***Gathering***

**Prelude**

Variations on LOBE DEN HERREN

David Dahl

## **Greeting and Welcome**

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

## **Opening Prayer**

**Call to Worship** (adapted from *Psalms 65:1-4*)

*Dee Tiedeman*

*Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;*

**And to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer  
prayer!**

*To you all flesh shall come.*

**When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our  
transgressions.**

*Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.*

**We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your  
holy temple.**

♦ **Hymn 35**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

## **Call to Reconciliation**

*The God who shelters us under his wings does not deal with us  
according to our sins. As the heavens are high above the earth, so great  
is God's steadfast love for those who revere him. Let us open our hearts  
and minds to the Holy One as we confess our sins together:*

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

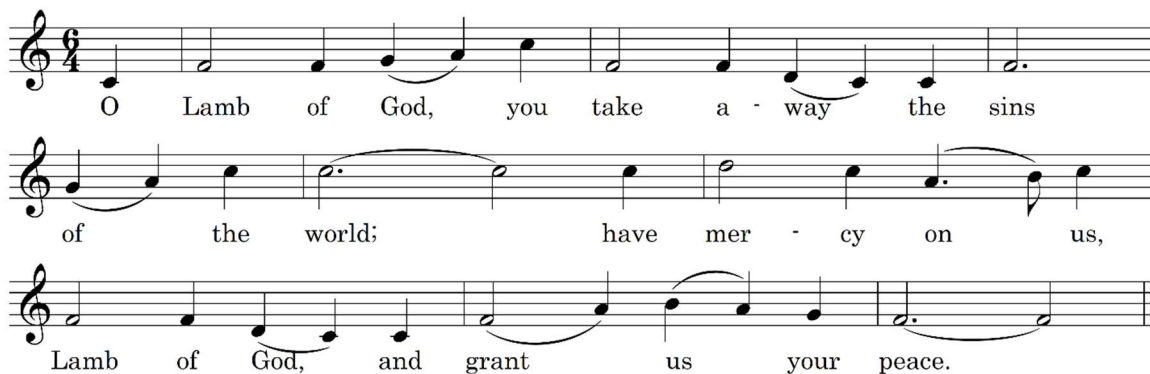
**Gracious God, you set us in families, where we are called to  
live together in charity and truth. We confess that sometimes  
our bonds of love are weak. In times of conflict, our hearts  
may be hard, our minds may be fixed, and we may refuse to  
ask for or offer forgiveness. God of the human family, pour  
out your Spirit upon us, that our relationships may be healed.  
We offer you the prayers we hold in our hearts.**

♦ Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

## Silent Confession

### Lamb of God (Hymn 555)

LAND OF REST



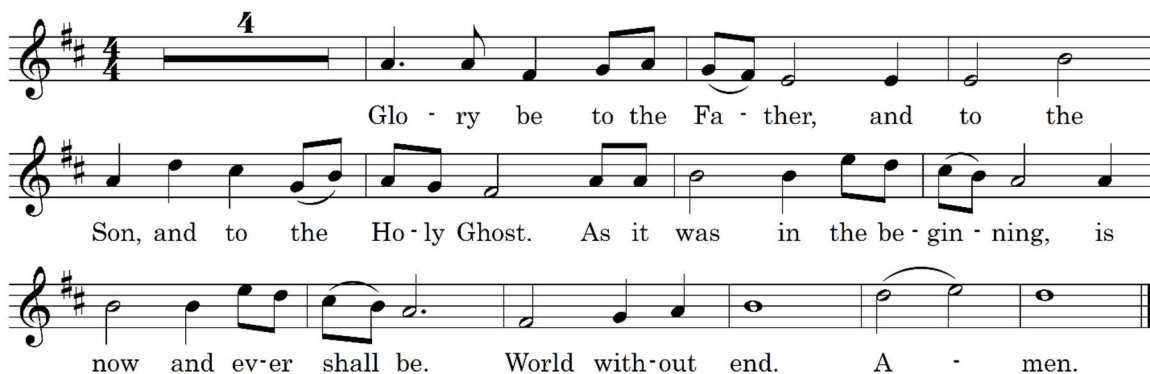
## Words of Life

*Hear the Good News: As far as the east is from the west, so far does  
God remove our sins from us. Believe the Good News:*

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and freed! Amen.**

### ♦ Gloria Patri

Lee Afdahl



## Time for Young Worshipers

### ♦ Passing of the Peace

Please refrain from shaking hands and greet each other with a word of peace or a wave of the hand.

*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

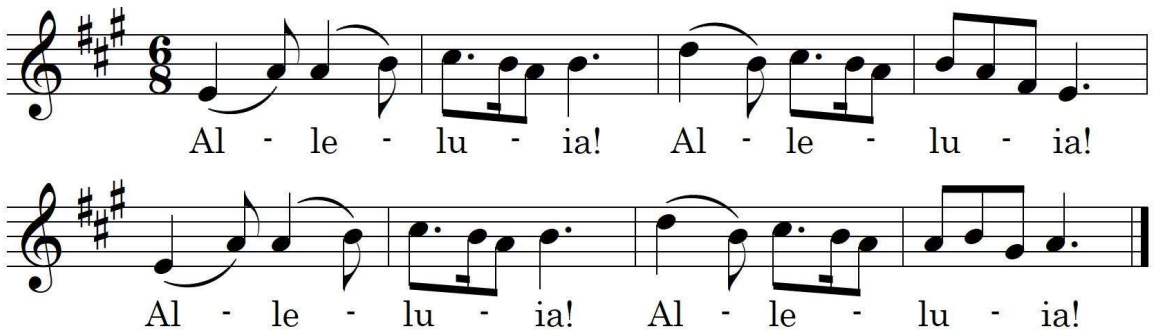
**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you said to us today. Amen.**

### First Reading from the Hebrew Scripture

Genesis 25:19-34

## Acclamation of Praise (Hymn 587)

CELTIC ALLELUIA



## Second Reading from the Hebrew Scripture

Genesis 27:1-23

*This is the word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

**Message**

*Sibling Rivalry*

Rev. Carol Shaffer

## ***Our Response***

♦ **Hymn 833**

O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

## **Commissioning of the Bdecan Mission Team**

*Marylynn Aalderks, Larry Boutelle, Than Boutelle,  
Cindy Kunzman, Marion Pitts, and Vicki Wintheiser*

*Friends, God is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for God's good pleasure. God has called you to serve the people of the Bdecan Church and community. Show your purpose by answering the following questions.*

*Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?*

**I do.**

*Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Members of this congregation: Do you confirm the call of God to Marylynn, Larry, Than, Cindy, Marion, and Vicki to minister to the people of the Bdecan church and community?*

**We do.**

*Will you support them with thought and prayer during their trip?*

**We will.**

♦ **Prayer of Commissioning**

♦ **Affirmation of Faith**

from *Glory to God: Reflections for Worship*, by Susan Palo Cherwien

**Out of the womb of wondrous love came the person of Jesus,  
wondrous love from wondrous love.**

**All that came to him that was hurt, all that was shame, all that  
was cruelty, all that was spite, all that came to him he took  
into himself.**

**All the energy of scorn, of fright, of worthlessness, of envy, all  
the energy of hate that came to him he took into himself  
and did not lash out to return it.**

**All that came to him that was unlovely he took into himself  
and transformed it, transformed by the wonder of God's  
love.**

**Wondrous love from wondrous love.**

**So is our beginning. So is our ending. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

(using 'debts' and 'debtors')

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory**      Introduction and Chorale on ST. MARGARET      Alice Jordan

♦ **Offertory Response** (Hymn 606)      OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

♦ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**God of Mercy and Justice, we give you thanks for the gifts you  
shower upon us. Bless all the gifts we bring to your work of  
healing our broken world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

***Sending***

♦ **Hymn 307**      God of Grace and God of Glory      CWM RHONDDA

♦ **Benediction**

**Postlude**      Hymn Prelude on CWM RHONDDA      Paul Manz

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# Stained Glass Window

What is happening around FPC ...  
Week of July 16, 2023



## This Week's Calendar

- † **Sunday, July 16**  
Worship – 10:00am in-person & livestreamed  
Message: *Sibling Rivalry*,  
Rev. Carol Shaffer
- † **Monday, July 17**  
M.A.D. Camp – 9am-noon
- † **Tuesday, July 18**  
M.A.D. Camp – 9am-noon
- † **Wednesday, July 19**  
M.A.D. Camp – 9am-noon  
Card Crafters Group – 1pm  
Church Family Meal – 5:30pm
- † **Thursday, July 20**  
M.A.D. Camp – 9am-noon
- † **Friday, July 21**  
Bdecan Team Send-Off – 8am  
M.A.D. Camp – 9am-noon
- † **Sunday, July 23**  
Worship – 10:00am in-person & livestreamed  
Message: *Jacob's Ladder*,  
Rev. T.J. Parlette

## Mission Team Commissioning

MaryLynn Alderks, Vicki Wintheiser, Larry Boutelle,  
Than Boutelle, Marion Pitts & Cindy Kunzman



The mission team going to the Bdecan Church will be commissioned this morning. *Thank you so much* for your donations of school supplies, hygiene items and books!

The team is leaving for Tokio, ND, on **Friday, July 21**. Please join come to the church parking lot at **8:00 a.m.** to see them off and wish them *godspeed* on their journey. They will return on July 25.

## M.A.D. Camp is Here

First Presbyterian Church's halls will be filled with sounds of laughter, music and drama this week as more than fifteen children and adults congregate to experience **music, arts and drama together!** Camp includes **5 fast paced mornings** filled with creative opportunities. Sessions ranging from individual lessons to group activities will include choir, drama, drumming, organ, handbells, creative writing and more. Registration is **open until camp begins** so your child can still participate. Some scholarships are available.



# MADcamp

music • arts • drama

Join us for **5 fast paced mornings** of creative opportunities!  
Registration is open until the camp begins!

Registration Form Available Online:  
[tinyurl.com/fpcMADform](https://tinyurl.com/fpcMADform)

OR:

OPEN TO ALL YOUTH AGE 5 and OLDER  
registration fee: \$50 (includes snacks, and a T-Shirt)  
scholarships may be available - please ask for more information



Menu

## Walking Tacos

with all the fixin's!

"Show the world all the love in your heart!"

July 17-21, 2023

9:00AM-NOON | First Presbyterian Church

## Welcome, Baby

Congratulations to **Jonathan and Lucy Ouellette** and **Elizabeth Dunn** on the birth of their son and grandson on June 27.



**George James Andre Ouellette**



## Condolences . . .

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of **Vincent Flack**, who died on Sunday, July 9. A memorial service will be planned later in the summer.

We extend our condolences to *Pat Talen* and the family and friends of **James Talen**, who died on July 14. Information on the memorial service will be provided when it is available.



## Presbyterian Women News

Approximately 30 women from FPC gathered together for the *72nd Medical Missions Coffee* this past Wednesday in the social hall. The coffee was organized by **Carol Cook and Susan Clarida** who provided a tantalizing selection of bundt cakes. **Phyllis Schmid** was awarded an Honorary Life Membership for her continuing contributions to Presbyterian Women and the greater church at large. Guests were offered an informative program by Erin Sinwell and Katlynn Combs about *Family Promise*. A donation of \$500 was made to *Family Promise* to assist in their work with homeless families.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor  
John E. Stender, Director of Music and Organist  
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music Emeritus  
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager  
Jesse Copley, Custodian

Cindy Kunzman, Office Manager  
Sarah A. Stender, Music Associate  
Janine M. Yanisch, First Players bands  
Paul Herr, Security  
Than Boutelle, Custodian/Sunday Host  
Margie Schaaf, Sunday Host

Sunday worship in-person and livestreamed on YouTube at 10:00 a.m.;  
Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
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*First Presbyterian Church is an  
inclusive community celebrating God with:*  
†Energy †Intelligence †Imagination †Love

Member: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

## Birthdays . . .

### 16 July

◇ Michael Cutrer, Yvonne Nkwelle Mesumbe & Michael Younge

### 17 July

◇ Allen Dollerschell, Kevin Evans & Shelley Steger

### 18 July

◇ Peter Brooks & Paizleigh Staub

### 19 July

◇ Aiden Kemp

### 22 July

◇ Caleb Cutrer, Miranda Harrer & Naomi Spiekerman

## Anniversaries

### 18 July

♥ Ian & Eileen Hay

♥ Jon & Karen Thiem

### 19 July

♥ Joseph & Diane Grill

♥ Donald & Ardith Ottman