# First Presbyterian Church

512 Third Street SW

Rochester, Minnesota 55902

Phone 507-282-1618

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day **January 14, 2024 Ordinary Time** 

## Welcome to worship

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

## Gathering

Theme and Pastorale on KINGSFOLD Joel Martinson

#### Greeting and Welcome

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

#### **Opening Prayer**

Prelude

**Call to Worship** 

(8:30 a.m.) Jane Hallman (11:00 a.m.) Lee Afdahl

The One who calls you together this day yearns for each of you and for all people to hear and be blessed.

## Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

Blessed is the One who comes bringing trustworthy words for the healing of the world.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening. Let us worship the Lord.

- Hymn 393
- O Day of Rest and Gladness

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## **Call to Reconciliation**

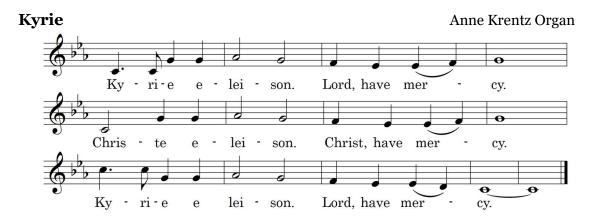
Assured that the One who calls us to hear and obey already knows the confessions of our hearts and is ready to forgive, let us confess our sin before God and before one another.

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus' name. Amen.

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



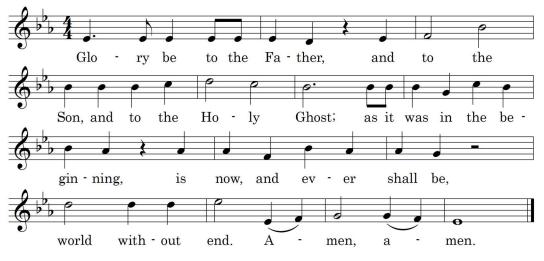


### Words of Life

My friends, in Jesus' name you are forgiven. Your sins are no more. You have been made clean. God strengthens you with freedom through the Holy Spirit. In Christ Jesus, Amen.

## Gloria Patri

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## **Time for Young Worshipers**

Jane Hallman

#### • 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**

Send down your Holy Spirit, O God – tear open the veil of heaven and speak to us as beloved children so that we may hear and believe the good news of your Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Reading from the Old Testament**

1 Samuel 3:1-20

Psalm Hymn 29 (8:30 a.m.)

O God, You Search Me (Psalm 139)

Bernadette Farrell

### Psalm Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me (Psalm 139)

TENDER THOUGHT, arr. Howard Helvey

Lord, thou hast searched me and dost know where'er I rest, where'er I go; Thou knowest all that I have planned. And all my ways are in thy hand.

My words from thee I cannot hide; I feel thy pow'r on every side; O wondrous knowledge, awful might, unfathomed depth, unmeasured height!

Where can I go apart from thee, Or whither from thy presence flee? In Heav'n? It is thy dwelling fair; In death's abode? Lo, thou art there.

If I the wings of morning take, and far away my dwelling make, the hand that leadeth me is thine, and my support thy pow'r divine.

If deepest darkness cover me, the darkness hideth not from thee; to thee both night and day are bright, the darkness shineth as the light.

Text: Psalm 139:1-12

Chancel Choir

<b>Reading from the Gospels</b> This is the word of the Lord. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>		John 1:43-51
Message	Come and See	Rev. T.J. Parlette
	Our Response	
• Hymn 846	Fight the Good Fight	DUKE STREET

### • Affirmation of Faith (8:30 a.m.)

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.

Ordination and Installation of Officers (11:00 a.m.)

#### **Prayers of the People**

God of grace ... Hear our prayer.

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

#### **Invitation to the Offering**

Offertory

Adoration

Felix Borowski

Offertory Response

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## Unison Prayer of Dedication

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own. Amen.

## Sending

• Hymn 757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples KING	SFOLD
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- Benediction
  - Postlude

Fugue on KINGSFOLD

Joel Martinson

Maureen Howell, violin; Sarah Stender, piano

The flowers are given by the Buettner family in celebration of 47 years of membership at FPC.

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What is happening around FPC ... Week of January 14, 2024

## This Week's Calendar

#### **†** Sunday, January 14, 2024

Worship–8:30am in-person Message: Come and See, Rev. T.J. Parlette
Christian Formation & Fellowship–9:40am Kerygma Class–South Fireside Room Book Discussion led by Roger Ring (Sheldon Jackson Lounge)
Church New Officer Training–9:45am (with current Session–10:40am)
Worship–11am in-person & livestreamed Ordination & Installation

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024** Joint Leadership Dinner–5:30pm Session & Deacons Meet–7pm

#### Wednesday, January 17, 2024 Priscilla Circle-9:30am Card Crafters Group-1pm FPC @ Friendship Place-4pm & 7pm Calvin Choir-4:45pm Church Family Chili Dinner-5:30pm Youth Group-6pm Adult Bible Study-6:30pm

- Thursday, January 18, 2024 Jubilate Deo—6pm Chancel Choir—7pm
- Friday, January 19, 2024 Sitter Service RESCHEDULED-5:30-9pm
- **Saturday, January 20, 2024** Ruth Circle–10am

#### **†** Sunday, January 21, 2024

Worship–8:30am in-person Message: *The Time is Fulfilled* Rev. T.J. Parlette

Christian Formation & Fellowship–9:30am Kerygma Class—South Fireside Room Presentation on Budget–9:45am Worship–11am in-person & livestreamed



The Stewardship & Finance Committee is offering a presentation led by Al Depman, Treasurer, on our

#### Church Financial Position



#### Sunday, January 21 @ 9:45 a.m.

#### CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING



The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, January 28 at **9:40am** for the purpose of hearing the reports of the staff, committees and other boards of the congregation and to consider changes to the terms of call.

#### New HYMN OF THE MONTH Project Begins

As a point of connection for the whole church (including worshipers of all ages) and as a teaching goal for our youngest singers in Cherub Choir right alongside our Chancel Choir and Congregation, we will be selecting a **Hymn of the Month**! These will likely be familiar, 'classic,' and always worthy hymns for personal and public devotion.

We will focus on singing the hymn in choir rehearsals throughout the month and analyzing and learning the text as deeply as we can. The congregation will be provided with some information and will be encouraged to join this effort, too. Then on the last Sunday of every month, we'll celebrate by singing the hymn in worship, and also highlight its musical depths in other ways.

For January, Pastor TJ selected "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation." This provides a fitting start to the project! This 7th century text is an excerpt from an anonymous Latin hymn beginning "*Urbs beata Jerusalem*" (Blessed city Jerusalem). We have an altered edition of prolific translator and hymnist John Mason Neale's 19th century take on the text. He published it in 9 stanzas. The text is based upon 1 Corinthians 3:11; Ephesians 2:20-22; and 1 Peter 2:4-7.

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More information available in the weekly Good News email and on the "Marking Our Journey Together" bulletin board.First Presbyterian Church; 512 3rd St SW; Rochester, MN 55902(507) 282-1618Office@fpcrochester.orgwww.fpcrochester.org







Birthdays...

**14 January** ♦ Glenn Bataldan

**15 January** ♦ Olive Erickson & Taren Zetzsche

#### **16 January** ♦ Karen Hammill & Judy Smithson

17 January ♦ Eli Curtiss

**18 January** Terry Whiting

#### 20 November

♦ Fabian Luna, Bert Noe, Karen Sannes & Voni Schaff



**18 January** 

♥ Leigh Gomez-Dahl & Mark Dahl



Of our 315 giving units (individuals, couples and/or families), as of January 12, we have received 153 pledge cards totaling \$550,433.

Jeremy Braun, Stewardship Committee



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### **Hymn Sing Project**

Choirs have already begun singing this great text and tune to prepare for the 28th. Read and sing through it for your own prayer and enjoyment. You'll find it in any hymnal you've got, but in *Glory to God* (GTG) it's **#394**, set to the tune Westminster Abbey.

See this month's hymn on the bulletin board outside the Sheldon Jackson Lounge.

> John Stender, director of music (with help from Glory to God: A Companion, by Carl P. Daw, Jr.)

#### The next

**Festival of Music** Sunday, January 28 @ 4pm



#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Senior Pastor John E. Stender, Director of Music and Organist Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music Emeritus Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager Than Boutelle, Custodian/Sunday Host

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

Sunday worship in-person at 8:30am; and in-person and livestreamed on YouTube at 11am; Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am – 4pm First Presbyterian Church / 512 Third Street SW / Rochester, MN 55902 (507) 282-1618; web@fpcrochester.org; www.fpcrochester.org

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