

# First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

## Celebrating 150 Years

July 9, 2017 ~ 10:15 am

Guest Speaker: Charles Moore

Ministers: The members of the congregation

**Pastor: Rev. Scott Prouty**

Our Vision Statement of the First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls is: God's timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.

### Assemble in God's Name

#### Prelude

#### Call to Worship

L: The name of our God is majestic in all the earth. God's glory is chanted about in the heavens.

**P: Rejoice in the Lord all who are righteous.**

L: For the Word of the Lord is right, and all of God's works are sure.

**P: O God, Our God, You have crownded Your people with glory and honor. We give You all praise in response to Your grace.**

**\*Hymn #35** *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"*

#### \*Prayer of Confession in Unison

Holy God, we know that You are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for You to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with You, ourselves and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of Your Spirit. Amen.

#### \*Time for Silent Prayer of Confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

L: Here is the good news, my friends: Christ came searching for us, calling us by name, leading us into God's kingdom.

**P: In Christ, we become new people: broken, we are made whole; lost, we are found; forsaken, we are restored to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri** *Hymn #581 (words only)*

#### \*Share the Peace of Christ with One Another

(Members and guests, please pass the attendance pad from left to right)

#### Proclaim God's Word

#### Scripture

Matthew 25:15-36

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#### Hymn #458

*"Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"*

#### Scripture

John 18:28-38

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#### Sermon

*"What is the Truth?"*

Charles Moore

#### \*Hymn #451

*"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostle's Creed (Page 35 in Hymnal)

#### Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

#### The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

#### Give Thanks To God

#### God's Tithes and Your Offering Received

#### Offertory

**\*Doxology** *Hymn #592*

#### \*Offertory Prayer

Holy God, we give You thanks for the many gifts You have given us. Most especially, we thank You for pouring Your love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Through these offerings, may Your love spill over in glad abundance that brings relief, renewal, and hope to those in need. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

#### Go in God's Name

**\*Hymn #401**

*"Here in This Place"*

#### \*Benediction

#### Postlude

(\*) Asterisk signifies to please stand if you are able.

**Ushers for July: Merlin Goudy, Diane Davis, Tim & Lois Davis, Bruce & Ann Tiffany, Dan Tiffany, John Tiffany**

**Communion Servers for July: Current Ruling Elder Adrienne Danielson, Merlin Goudy, Lois Davis, Bruce Tiffany, Candy Zaske, Diane Davis, Ardis Alexander**

**Deacon of July:** Candy Zaske

**Greeting You Today:** Elizabeth Prouty & Logan Garman/Char Gilland

***Our Televised Worship Services*** ~ Tune in to NU-Telecom - channel 3, and Media-com - channel 8, on Mondays at 10 am, and Wednesdays at 7 pm.

***Welcome to this morning's service!*** If you are a visitor, we are pleased to have you join us for worship. Please sign the guest book! If you are looking for a church home, please consider First Presbyterian, and speak with Pastor Prouty. **A nursery is available for families with children ages infant-kindergarten. Ask an usher for the nursery location.**

***Thank You*** ~ Thank you Charles Moore for leading us in worship this morning.

***August Friendship Dinner*** ~ The planning meeting for the August Friendship Dinner is scheduled for **today**, following worship. Families of the congregation with the last names starting with A-D are asked to meet in the parlor to plan this dinner. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please keep in contact with your group!

### Church Calendar

**June 26-July 9: Pastor Scott will be out of the office.**

**Emergency Contact: Rev. Anna Williamson from Renville Presbyterian Church 320-305-0346**

<b>Sunday, July 9:</b>	10:15 am:	Worship with Ruling Elder Charles Moore
	Following Worship:	August Friendship Dinner Planning Meeting
<b>Monday, July 10:</b>	Noon:	Pastor-Rotary
	7:00 pm:	Session Meeting
<b>Tuesday, July 11:</b>	Morning:	Pastor takes Holy Communion to Muriel Moon, Carol Oja & Elizabeth Stancer
	Afternoon:	Pastor takes Holy Communion to Lester Siegfried, Gordon & Ardis Alexander
<b>Friday, July 14:</b>		<b>Church Office Closed</b>
<b>Sunday, July 16:</b>	10:15 am:	Worship with Holy Communion

## 150th Anniversary History Tidbit (Janean McKay)

### Our Veterans

At the back West side of the sanctuary are two wooden plaques with the names of those who served in 5 wars while they were members of First Presbyterian Church. Not listed are others who are veterans that have joined the church since their time of service. At the top of each board reads the following: "In Honor of Men of this church who have joined (served) in the Armed Forces of our Country."

On the first board, which was dedicated July 4, 1943, is listed 90 names. The second board was dedicated June 22, 1969 and lists 44 names. Two women, Gertrude Grey and Ruth R. Mixa are listed on the first board.

There are stars by four names which represents those who made the supreme sacrifice: James (Jesse) Lechner, Robert E. Wood, William C. Flinn, and Robert Jones. The Centennial history also lists Melvin Daskam, for whom the Redwood Falls American Legion Post 38 is named, Pvt. Daskam was reported missing until sometime after WW I.

There were those who served in peaceful ways with a sacrifice of time and effort such as war bond drives, Red Cross work, etc. Those from our church who served in the military since 1969 are not listed and the need for this update has been discussed.

### Hymn Review

(Robert Brown)

#### *"America the Beautiful"*

Although the "Star Spangled Banner" is our national anthem, truly "America the Beautiful" tells of the splendor of our nation from sea to shining sea, is much easier to sing and provides pride in our country for each America through the ages.

**If you have missed any history tidbits... remember bulletins are on our website... [fpcrwf.org](http://fpcrwf.org)**

### Pray For The Following:

**Pray for expecting parents of our Church Family:** Tony & Molly Miller, Dan & Maria Alexander

**Pray for the unchurched and lonely.**

**Pray for people living in our communities, the disenfranchised and people in other countries.**

**Pray for those who are having financial or marital difficulties.**

**Pray for those grieving the loss of a loved one.**

**Pray for those seeking employment.**

**Pray for our leaders at the city, county, state and national level and all military personnel.**

**Pray for those in need of food, medicine and shelter.**

**Pray for those fighting addictions.**

**Pray for all the people of the world.**

**Pray for our church leaders and teachers.**

**Pray for our local, national, world political leaders.**

**Birthdays:** Today - Suzanne Edwards, 10th - Ella Enright, 12th - Claire Stephens

**Anniversaries:** Today - Mark & Dorie Oja, 11th - Keegan & Shellie Mammen

**Members of our Church Family in Hospice Care:** Lester Siegfried, Elizabeth Stancer

**Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities:** Carol Oja, Muriel Moon, Elizabeth Stancer, Janet Minkel, Millie Bunting, Gordon Alexander, Jeanette Kotval, Lester Siegfried

**All Those Fighting Cancer:** Lester Siegfried, Wendy Nolting, Tom & Dawn Umscheid (Pam Prouty's cousins), Kathy Lueckert (Scott Prouty's friend), Coleen (Adrienne Danielson's friend)

**Pray for all those fighting other diseases:**

Shellie Mammen (Lupus), Corrine Gertsema (multiple sclerosis)

**If you know of something/someone to add to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.**